

Friday, 7th June 2024

# VJS NEWS



*Proud To Be Me, Proud To Belong*

**Mrs. Barham, Upper Phase Leader**

Next week, children in Year 4 will be completing their Multiplication Tables Check.

This is a national check that will be taking place in Year 4 classrooms across the country. The purpose of the check is to determine whether the children can fluently recall their times tables up to 12, which is essential for future success in Mathematics.

It is an on-screen check consisting of 25 times table questions. The children will be able to answer 3 practice questions before taking the actual check. They will then have 6 seconds to answer each question.

All of Year 4 have been working hard in school and at home to practise their times tables, and we wish all of them the best of luck next week!

## Upcoming Dates

- Wednesday, 12th July - Friday, 14th July - WW2 workshops for Year 6
- Thursday, 13th July - Bring and Share Event
- Monday, 1st July - Upper Phase Sports Day
- Tuesday, 2nd July - Lower Phase Sports Day
- Tuesday, 2nd July - Secondary School Transition Day
- Wednesday, 10th July - Summer Fair



# WHAT'S NEW!

## Year 3

In Year 3 this week, we had an amazing time in our Dance and PE lessons! We kicked off by using a special stimulus to inspire our dance moves, and guess what? The stimulus was linked to our previous Design and Technology topic on cogs, levers and machines!

The best part was dancing in unison with our classmates. We all learnt the moves and then got creative by adding our own personal touches. It was fantastic to see everyone expressing themselves through dance and working together to create something truly special.

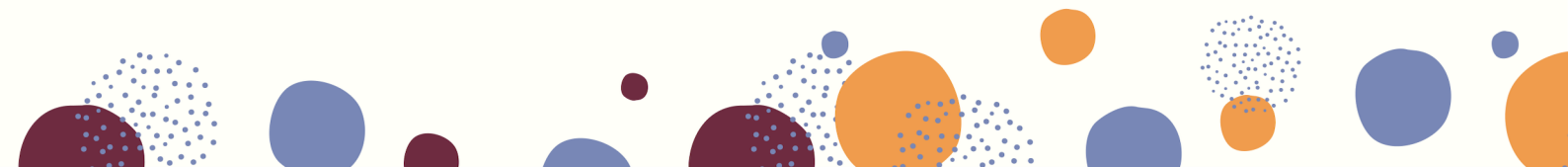
Not only did we have a blast, but we also learned valuable skills like coordination, teamwork, and creativity. Dance and PE lessons are all about having fun while staying active, and this week was a perfect example of just that. Well done to all the Year 3 superstars and we look forward to witnessing their continued progress.

## Year 4

This week, Year 4 have started a new Writing topic using inspiration from the poem "Still I Rise", an important piece of work by Maya Angelou.

In DT this term, we will be looking to see how 'simple machines' have made our lives easier - please continue to send in your recyclables to help us make some awesome contraptions.

Children have been showing us just how much Mathematics they remember in their assessments and we have been putting in some last minute revision so we are ready for the MTCs next week.



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## Year 5

We have had a lovely and exciting first week back in Year 5. In Design and Technology, the children created Greek architecture using junk modelling materials, which they collected during half term. They worked well in their groups and carefully thought about their designs which turned out amazing.



In PE, we started our Dance unit. The children are learning about different artists and how they choregraph their dance routines. The children choregraphed some great dance routines using a range of moves such as traveling, rolling, falling, and jumping to a song called “Dance by Chance”.

## Year 6

This week, the children were introduced to our end of year production “Do you remember the first time?” They showed lots of enthusiasm and many have put themselves forward for speaking roles. We are hoping to allocate roles early next week so that we can start rehearsals! The songs are also already stuck in our heads.

Year 6 have also started work on their final Writing topic of the year, a biography about Anne Frank which links to our current History topic. The children have been conducting research to find out more about Anne Frank through looking at other biographies that have been written, watching a documentary and doing some online research. They are now eager to put all of this information into their biographies.

# Cricket Tournament

**Mr Hemmings and Mr Tavey**

It was a day filled with triumph and jubilation as our school cricket team delivered an outstanding performance in a tournament on Wednesday, 5th June. With sheer determination and skill, the team secured victories in all three group games, making it a day to remember for our school. Under the leadership of Captain Abdullah, the team displayed exceptional talent and teamwork, captivating the audience with their fantastic plays and strategic moves. The players, including Shaurya, Advaith, Prithish, David, Mason, Saharsh, Leishem, Ben and Javed, showcased their dedication and passion for the sport, making each match a thrilling spectacle for all spectators.

The atmosphere was electric, with cheers and applause resonating across the field as our team dominated the competition. The support from our school community further fuelled the players' motivation, creating an unforgettable experience for everyone involved.





### **Thursday 15th June - Bring and Share Event**

We held a very successful Bring and Share event in the Spring Term and will be hosting another on Thursday, 13th June.

If you would like to come please inform Mrs Begum what dish you would like to bring.

Booking is essential.

### **Wednesday, 10th July - Summer Fair**

The Summer Fair will be on Wednesday, 10th July.

If you would like to run a stall to sell items or can support in any way, please let us know.

If you have any raffle prizes, or if your business or where you work can donate anything that could be used as a prize please inform Mrs Begum.

**Reminder!**  
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If you are sending your child to school with a break time snack, please ensure this is fruit or a yoghurt only.