

**Friday 21st May  
2021**

Dear Parents and carers,

### **This week in our School**

This week the children have been learning about the following topics.

Reception: On the move—Icy Lands  
Years 1&2: History—Castles  
Years 3&4: Computing—We are co-authors  
Year 5: History—WW2  
Year 6: Drama and performing



### **Celebrations**

<b>Class</b>	<b>Star</b>	<b>Presentation</b>	<b>Reading</b>	<b>Mathletics</b>
R	Joseph D	Charlotte C		
1	Tommy C	Ellie A	Rebecca H Amelie M	Amelie M <i>(Silver)</i>
2	Lydia B	Cameron C	Henry E Thomas P	
3	Rowan Mc	Jasmine H		Archie B <i>(Silver)</i>
4	Dylan S	Maia R		
5	Jacob J	Eva B		Amelia S <i>(Word millionaire! 1,013,565 Words read this year)</i>
6	Noah B	Vincent B		
Headteacher Awards: Rosalee M (R) and James P (4)				

### **Topics—Week beginning Monday 24th May 2021**

Next week the children will be working on the following topics:

Reception: On the move—Deserts  
Years 1&2: History—Castles  
Years 3&4: Science—Forces and Magnets  
Year 5: History—WW2  
Year 6: Drama and performing

### **Walk to School Week (17th to 21st May)**

Many thanks to you all for encouraging the children to walk to school this week where possible. It has been great to see more children on their bikes and scooters. A special thanks to those families who even tried parking further away from the school rather than outside the school to encourage the children walk here. We are hoping as the weather improves more children and families will continue to walk to school.

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# **Shilbottle newsletter**

## Maths homework

A reminder that as some children are experiencing issues with mathematics we are also issuing paper based maths homework. Whilst it is great to see lots of children wanting to complete both the mathematics and the paper based work all we ask is that one of these is completed each week. Children who wish to complete both can continue to do so but we do not wish families to feel they must complete both. Remember children who do not hand homework in before the Thursday deadline are asked to complete this at break times. If you are still experiencing issues with accessing mathematics please let the class teacher know so we can address these issues as ideally we would like all children completing this work.

## Reading Quizzes

Please note this week we have reverted to the recommended procedure of children completing quizzes within school. During lockdowns we needed to amend this procedure to allow home quizzing and we thank you for your support during this time which has helped reduce the impact of the lockdowns on your child's learning.

## Wrap, Splat and Hat

As we are all hoping the better weather is soon on its way we have enrolled to take part in the Sun Awareness Campaign. Children will be learning about how to keep safe in the sun and we ask that you ensure children are wearing sun protection and a cap during the sunnier weather to protect themselves from the damage the sun can do. Thank you!

## Water Bottles

We encourage children to drink water regularly and would appreciate it if you could ensure your child has their own water bottle each day. Only plain water, not squash or sparkling, is allowed in school.

## School Cloud

Staff have been carrying out training on using the new School Cloud system in order that we can offer parents meetings virtually this year. Look out for further information which will be coming your way soon. Please note we will not be offering face to face meetings this year but holding virtual (online) meetings only using the School Cloud system.

## Dates for the future

Date	Year group	Event	Notes
<b>2021</b>			
28th May (Friday)	All	School closes for half term (3:15pm)	
7th June (Monday)	All	School closed—Training Day	
8th June (Tuesday)	All	School reopens New pre-reception children start	
6th July (Tuesday)	All	Transition Day—new classes	Y6-DCHS
16th July (Friday)	All	School closes for Summer (2:00pm)	
7th September (Tuesday)	All	School reopens	

Regards  
Mr G Parnaby  
Headteacher