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Attendance

Well done to **Chestnut**, **Sycamore** and **Storey** for having the best attendance over the last two weeks. A special mention to Storey for achieving **100%** again this week.



Ofsted Inspection Report: Junior School

Following Ofsted's visit to the Junior School in February, this week we received our official Ofsted Inspection Report. Ofsted have confirmed we remain a good school, however, the evidence gathered suggests that the inspection grade might be outstanding. They will therefore complete another inspection within the next two years. A flavour of the report follows. To read it in full, please [click here](#).



What is it like to attend this school?

All pupils are proud to be part of this inclusive school. It is a special place where pupils are nurtured so that they thrive. Leaders are clear in their philosophy that everyone is welcome, valued and encouraged to do their very best. Staff, parents and carers and pupils all work together to create a real sense of community. Pupils are kept safe and feel safe because there are systems in place to support them if any problems should arise.

Pupils' behaviour is exemplary in lessons and during unstructured times. They love learning and try hard in lessons. They relish the opportunities to learn outside the classroom which are rich and plentiful. For example, many pupils take up the chance to get involved in the vast array of extra-curricular clubs on offer.

Richmond Borough Tag Rugby League Winners

We are delighted to let you know that our Tag Rugby team have retained the Richmond Borough Tag Rugby League title this year. In an exciting Finals Night, played at Richmond Rugby Club on Tuesday, we first played East Sheen Primary in our semi final match before going on to beat Hampton Hill in the final. Mr Nuthall said, "Winning the tournament and then the league this year is a great achievement for all the children who have taken part throughout the year and also those children who train week in week out and challenge our A team to be at their best". Isabella added, "We feel very proud. It's a big achievement to win two years in a row."



Sunflowers in Nursery

Our Nursery children have been learning about plants growing and recently planted sunflower seeds with the help of their parents and carers. We asked the children how long they thought it would take for the sunflowers to grow. Nyla-Beau thought "20 hours" while Halim estimated more with "100 hours". Martina suggested "four days". They are looking forward to finding out.



Eco Club

Our newly formed Eco Club in Infants have been meeting weekly with Ms English this term to carry out various tasks to improve our school environment. Different children, from Years 1 and 2, are selected each week to take part. So far they have designed some fruit waste posters and set up food waste/compost bins for the



different year groups. They have also used litter pickers to recycle waste found within the school grounds. Mudassir said, "I went on the field and used a litter picker to pick up paper and bottles there so it can be clean. It helps the animals."



Isle of Wight School Journey

Our Year 5 children had a thoroughly enjoyable time in the Isle of Wight last week. Joseph said, *"My favourite bit was finding out about the rooms. There was lots of cheering when we found out who we would be sharing with. I also liked the big walk which was 10km long. Everyone was tired but we got an icecream at the end of it"*.



Meanwhile, children who stayed at school during the week had a great day out at Marble Hill Adventure Playground. They enjoyed exploring the huge wooden structures. Ellie Mae said, *"I liked the two red platforms the best. Jason taught me how to go on the higher one."*

Family Bingo

Thank you to the PTA, Mrs Proctor-Lane and her whole family for providing a wonderful afternoon of family entertainment last Thursday. It was eyes down for five games of bingo with plenty of opportunities to win including lucky numbers, line prizes and full house. Congratulations to Adam, Kuba, Stanley and Tykhon for claiming the house prizes. The event helped raise **£75** for the PTA which will benefit children in both schools.



Singing Assembly: Handel

The children have really enjoyed listening to *Zadok the Priest* in their singing assemblies over the last few weeks. This music, written in 1727 by George Handel for the coronation of King George II, has been used for every coronation since. It has also been used in various adverts and films. The piece is written in the baroque style: the word Baroque means 'highly decorated' and much of Handel's music is very decorated. This piece was written for chamber orchestra, often used in the Baroque era, and a chamber choir.



Mr Speck

Bikeability

Our Year 5 children enjoyed taking part in their weeklong Bikeability training with the borough's Road Safety Team recently. Ilyas said, *"It was really good. We learnt the rules for cycling on roads such as cycling on the left, using bike lanes, who has priority and how to make a right turn across the traffic. I feel much more confident now."*



Dates for your Diary

Monday **13th** - Thursday **16th May** - Year 6 SATs

Friday **17th May** - Class Photos

Monday **20th May** - Year 4 Bushcraft

Monday **20th** - Wednesday **22nd May** - Year 3 Safe Walking Scheme

Week beginning Monday **20th May** - Parents' Meetings for Nursery

Tuesday **21st May** - Choir to attend Richmond Music Trust's Singing Festival at Rose Theatre, Kingston

Friday **24th May** - First Mufti Day for Summer Fair - Cup of Cheer donations - more info to follow

Monday **27th May** - Friday **31st May** - **Half Term**

Monday **3rd June** - **Inset Day**

Friday **21st June** - Second Mufti Day for Summer Fair

Saturday **22nd June** - **SUMMER FAIR**

Friday **5th July** - Juniors' Sports Day

Monday **8th July** and Tuesday **9th July, 3.45-6.15pm** - Parents' Evening for Years 3, 4 and 5

Tuesday **9th July, 2pm-7pm** - Parents' Evening for Year 6 - **please note change of date and time**

Tuesday **9th July** and Thursday **11th July, 3.30-6pm** - Parents' Evening for Reception, Years 1 and 2

Friday **12th July** - Infants' Sports Day

Monday **15th** and Tuesday **16th July** - Year 2 Leavers' Celebration for parents and carers

Wednesday **17th** and Thursday **18th July, 7pm** - Year 6 Production for parents and carers

Wednesday **24th July** - Last day of term