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Dear Parents/Carers,

I cannot believe it's the end of term 5 and what a wonderful term it has been. I am sure some of you can relate to how wonderful we have all felt having all of the children back in school – they bring so much joy to the school and it's wonderful to see their work and hear all about their learning. This week our CSP came in to monitor our work in music and art and we were so proud of all she saw. She spent time in lessons, talking to children, subject leads and teachers and was very impressed with all she saw. The children were able to articulate our current value of respect across both the subjects, the children's attitudes to learning were good and they were so enthusiastic to answer questions and share their learning – it's been wonderful to see and be able to share our progress within these areas.

This week, I have also had some reception children share their writing with me and I have to admit that I was blown away. The quality of their work was amazing – they'd worked hard to use their phonics knowledge, written in great length and their handwriting was brilliant. I admit that I was blown away! They were so proud of what they had achieved and absolutely deserved to feel that way. Well done!

We hope that you and the children have a lovely half-term and a well-deserved rest for them. We are incredibly proud of them all!

Mrs Capel

### Dates for the Diary

#### Term 6 – No parental attendance at this stage

7<sup>th</sup> June – Start of term 6  
9<sup>th</sup> June – New Reception Parents Evening (Virtual)  
9<sup>th</sup> June – Film Night 3.15 – 5.00pm  
18<sup>th</sup> June – New Reception Come and Play Session  
21<sup>st</sup> June – New Reception Afterschool Visit  
22<sup>nd</sup> June - New Reception Afterschool Visit  
23<sup>rd</sup> June - New Reception Afterschool Visit  
23<sup>rd</sup> June – Sports day  
28<sup>th</sup> June – Careers day  
5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Residential Trip  
5<sup>th</sup> July – Frontline Workers Day  
13<sup>th</sup> July – King Performance (Afternoon)  
14<sup>th</sup> July – King Performance (Evening)  
15<sup>th</sup> July – New Reception Class Picnic  
16<sup>th</sup> July - New Reception Play Session (letters to be sent out confirming details)  
20<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Leavers Service  
21<sup>st</sup> July – Inset Day – End of term 6



### School Day

Just a reminder that from the start of Term 6 we will be changing the staggered start and finish times back to how it used to be. This will mean that Reception and KS1 doors close at 855am with KS2 doors closing at 850am. All doors will be open from 845am.



21<sup>st</sup> July 2021  
2<sup>nd</sup> September 2021  
1<sup>st</sup> November 2021  
4<sup>th</sup> January 2022  
18<sup>th</sup> February 2022  
6<sup>th</sup> June 2022



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### After School Club

#### Afterschool Club

As mentioned in previous letters, we are pleased to have an external provider who has agreed to provide an afterschool club at school. The provider is still waiting for one or two statutory documents to arrive to meet the necessary criteria – we hope to be able to announce something very soon and will keep you posted on developments.



#### Art

This term the whole school have worked extremely hard in art. We have learnt about a variety of artists and had trips to the art room. Each class have chosen an artist of the term and their art work will be displayed in Pucklechurch Post Office.



#### Reading

This week's results are:

Seacole CD – 40%  
Armstrong KS - 52%  
Armstrong RF – 73%  
Armstrong AM – 60%  
Newton JB – % 56%  
Newton GJ – 83%  
King SB – 56%  
King JC – 56%



#### TimesTables Rockstars!

Well done to Miss Coleman's Top Rockers this week! These 3 students have accessed TT Rockstars the most out of everyone in the whole school this week:

1. Milo – Armstrong KS
2. Olivia M – King JC
3. Jensen – Armstrong KS



Well done to Year 4 for being this week's champions!

#### One minute challenge! Half term science project.



An exciting science opportunity awaits you over half term! As part of the collaborative work we have been doing with other local schools in the area, we are excited to announce the one minute challenge half term science homework.

For this activity, you will need to create a one minute video in which you explore a scientific concept of your choice. There are so many scientific questions that need answering. Which birds sing loudest? Is your shadow bigger in the morning, the evening or at lunch time? Do plants grow better if you play them music? What is the heaviest thing you can put on an egg before it breaks? Does sound travel better in the dark or in the light? You will need to think of a scientific question that you want to know the answer to, then go away and explore it. Run your own investigation to see what you can find out. This could be on absolutely anything, so be creative!

Please ensure that your video if no longer than one minute. It should say what you wanted to find out, what you did and what you discovered. This is a competition that involves other schools, so try to make your video as creative and fun as possible! There will be prizes for the winning entries and the Pucklechurch winning video will be sent to other schools and a final winner will be chosen. Good luck!



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### Seacole



We have had such a great term! We have learnt all about life cycles. We watched a tiny caterpillar turn into a butterfly. We have learnt how to use an app on the new ipads. We visited the new music room and art room. We have been so creative and made The Very Hungry Caterpillar collages. In maths, we've been working hard to learn all about subtraction and weight.

### Armstrong KS



What a brilliant term Armstrong KS! I am so proud of the way you have all adapted to our new classroom, with me as your new teacher, you have settled back into school superbly. The children have enjoyed lots of our learning this term, which has been focused on the value of respect. We looked at how we can show respect to animals in their natural habitats, why famous inventors like The Wright Brothers are respected and how we can respect each other in our JIGSAW lessons.

### Armstrong RF



What an amazing term Armstrong RF have had! We have all really enjoyed our first full term back together. I have been so proud of each and every member of the class for how they have adapted to all the changes we have faced this year, we have all come out the other side of it better and stringer. The children have enjoyed so much of our learning this term which has all been focussed on our value of respect. We have learnt how to respect instruments in music, how Vincent Van Gogh didn't get the respect he deserved through his art work and why we respect famous inventors such as The Wright Brothers.



### Armstrong AM

What a busy term Year 2! You have blown us away with your positive attitudes towards your learning and your brilliant ideas when getting



stuck into our theme this term of respect. From learning about the Wright brothers in history to learning how to play the recorder you have thought carefully about how respect is featured throughout. In particular you have enjoyed outdoor learning and thinking about how we can care for wildlife as well as respecting other cultures and beliefs. We are really looking forward to getting stuck into our new theme of 'courage' next term!



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### Newton JB



Year 3 have really enjoyed learning about Egyptian history. It has been exciting to research history while history has been discovered during the term. The discovery of a lost city in Egypt made us feel like Howard Carter ourselves. We have done fantastic work creating our own Egyptian Gods and writing newspaper reports on an explorer escaping from a tomb. We have got stuck into dance and music this term and it has been great to see children showcasing creativity and musicality. Performing for our peers has



been lovely to see and we have been respectful of the courage it takes to stand up in front of others, which has suited this term's value beautifully and will help us with thinking about courage next term.

We came up with some great questions in our enquiry session this week and are looking forward to next term's topic. Our book for next term is Katherine Rundell's *The Explorer*. It's a higher level text with fantastic description and examples of courage.

### Newton GJ

Well done this term, Year 4! You have blown me away with your enthusiasm and effort! You've made such great progress and have learned some tricky vocabulary across the curriculum – obtuse, acute, perpendicular, hieroglyphics, vertebrate, exoskeleton, personification and metaphor to name but a few!



You shone during our djembe drumming workshop and our athletic agility circuits and showed your thoughtful sides when we investigated respect in all its forms! You thought about how to respect each other's feelings, your parents, yourselves as well as debating whether Howard Carter showed respect for the Ancient Egyptian Civilization when he discovered the hidden tomb of King Tutankhamun almost 100 years ago! We rounded off our term with an art exhibition and I loved hearing how it made you feel when other people in the class were praising your art as they visited our gallery. We also scooped the 'Reading Champion' award an unprecedented three weeks in a row! We looked to next term when we posed questions about our new theme: 'Exploring Courage'. We can't wait to get stuck in!



### King SBG

This half term, King SB have worked incredibly hard with their learning. They have shown a great amount of perseverance with our work on fractions, decimals and percentages and I have seen how well we can support our learning partners in these lessons, as well as our outdoor activities (particularly in the daily mile!). We loved learning about the history of Benin and stretching our artistic skills with our sculptures. When asked, some of us said that we particularly liked writing instructions for our amazing Shirt Machines, too! Some of us are very close to earning a new pen license in the coming weeks...



### King JC

I can't believe that Term 5 is over already, blink and we missed it, but what a wonderful term we've had! You've wowed me with your maturity, attitude to learning and respect you've shown to each other. We have learnt so much, particularly learning more about Benin within our art and history lessons. The preparations for our play are well under way so be sure to be practising your lines over half term.





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## Mr Boulton's Walk for Tennis Balls.

Mr Boulton is walking to School on the final day of sports week (June 25<sup>th</sup>) to raise money for tennis balls. It is going to take him 6-7 hours and he will be setting off at around 1am.

If you would like to sponsor him, please see the link below. Thank you!

[https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/joshua-boulton?utm\\_term=nr5zrKXXg](https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/joshua-boulton?utm_term=nr5zrKXXg)



## PTA Film Night

Tickets now on sale for our School Film Night on Wednesday 9th June

Buy online at <https://www.pta-events.com/pucklechurch>

## Pucklerun

Spaces now open for the second medal in our five medal series.

Follow the link to book your distance:

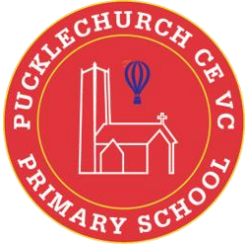
<https://race-nation.co.uk/register/pucklerun>



A great opportunity to get outside and stay active. The first medal is also still available to sign up for, so you can collect the full set!

Evie, Esme, Polly, Jasmine and Nancie did an amazing job achieving their medals this month and ran 5km!





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