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SATs

All across the country, Y6 children will this week sit their SATs (end of KS2 Assessments). The timetable is as follows:

Mon 11th May	<i>English: SPAG Paper 1 (Questions)</i> <i>English: SPAG Paper 2 (Spelling)</i>
Tues 12th May	<i>English: Reading</i>
Wed 13th May	<i>Maths Paper 1: Arithmetic</i> <i>Maths Paper 2: Reasoning</i>
Thurs 14th May	<i>Maths Paper 3: Reasoning</i>

As always, we want the children to do the best that they can do (go for your 'personal best') but we do not want them to worry / be anxious about this. Parents please help be ensuring they get a good night's sleep and get to school on time; children – remember the poem 'SATs Don't' by Haydee Waldron-Jones (sent out alongside this newsletter). You can do it!

Suncream etc.

Thankfully, the weather is at last starting to warm up. We do encourage children to go outside at playtimes (and during lessons too where appropriate!) so please ensure children are taking sensible precautions. On particularly hot days, suncream should be applied at home before coming to school as we cannot do this in school. Thank you.

T-shirt amnesty

Mr Hartley has asked for a 'T-shirt Amnesty'. We organise a lot of sporting events and are proud that so many of our children have represented the school in a range of sports this year (including cricket, table cricket, dodgeball and flag football recently). Unfortunately, we seem to have quite a few missing t-shirts. We suspect that children have taken them home with the intention of washing / returning them – but have forgotten to do this! Please could you have a good look at home and return any school t-shirts you find. Thank you!

Behaviour outside school

I have had a few reports of bad behaviour from our children outside of school (i.e. when playing out in the evenings). I am concerned that, as the evenings get lighter, this will get worse. Please remind your children about what they should / shouldn't be doing outside of school and ensure they are appropriately supervised. This is especially important when they are still wearing our school uniform – we want our neighbours to have a positive impression of our school!

Things to do

- The latest Children's University newsletter can be found [here](#). It includes information about a range of interesting activities over half-term; including climbing, cooking, wild play and martial arts.
- In partnership with City Limits Dance Centre, SWFC are running a 'Dance Camp' at half-term (see flyer)
- The latest Kids Love Yoga 'Rooted in Wellness' newsletter is attached

Mr Gaughan

Nurturing confidence, nurturing potential, nurturing success.



Celebrating Achievement



Well done to the following children:

As always, lots of children received **bronze**, **silver** and **gold** certificates in Friday's assembly. Unfortunately, I left the list of winners at school so am unable to complete this part of the newsletter... Well done to all and I will add your name onto next week's newsletter!

- ★ **Willow Class** were awarded a class certificate for their excellent writing about healthy eating.
- ★ **Nursery Stars of the Week:** **Willow B & Teddy** (Seedlings); **Giovanni & Dexter** (Saplings)
- ★ **Attendance winners:** Attendance was a disappointing **91.7%** overall last week. The best classes were **Willow** (KS1) with **92.2%** and **Sycamore** (KS2) with **95.7%**.
- ★ **House Point winners:** **Africa** won the house point trophy for the 2nd week in a row.

This week's 'School Standard' is: Be resilient



This week's birthdays: **Polina** (10), **Alfie & Henry** (7), **Sylvia** (3), **Arnie-Grey** (7), **Lucy** (7)

What's Happening?

Little Seedlings are going on a bubble adventure in Forest Schools.

Meanwhile, **Saplings** have been welcoming some new friends over the past couple of weeks. They have also been excited to see their caterpillars start to turn into chrysalises (or chrysalides if you want to be scientific!).

Ash are doing a narrative unit on The 3 Little Pigs.

Willow have been investigating the life cycle of plants and discovering which ones we have on the school grounds.

KS1 **children in The Learning Zone** will be writing about some moon art they have made. In celebration of his 100th birthday, **Rowan** have been learning all about the work of Sir David Attenborough.

Sycamore have been learning about lines of latitude, climate zones and how they are related.

As well as preparing for their SATs, Y6 children in **Oak** have been working hard in other areas of the curriculum too - we are very proud of them!

