

PRINCE OF WALES PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter
8th July 2022

Dear Parents/Carers, Governors and Friends,

Although I wasn't able to be at Prince of Wales in person, having finally succumbed to Covid, I was able to enjoy a fantastic week at our school from a safe distance.

M&M Production started the week with their superb play, a creative version of the much loved The Hobbit; a real treat for our KS2s. The following morning, we joined schools across the country to receive Year 6 SATs results. Year 6 children have been able to take these home today and can be rightly proud with their results. The hard work and dedication of staff and pupils have paid off to achieve at and above national averages. The Year 6s are now ready to take their learners' attitudes and values on to whichever secondary school they go, knowing that hard work achieves good results.

I have of course been told how wonderful the sports day events were on and the amazing sight of families back for our annual picnic. I was touched when a parent contacting me later that day with the message:
'I like to message you letting you know today was amazing day and everyone had a great time! All the children worked so hard in their teams and the teachers were fantastic very supportive and they brought lots of energy. Well done all you POW team that helped arrange it, it was a long time 2 year without it and it went amazingly well! Everyone was so happy including the parents and it brought everyone together.'



We were also visited for the Enfield in Bloom contest and received positive comments about all the opportunities our children benefit from all the planting and growing on site. Now we wait for the results.

With the end of term just two weeks away it is inevitable that we have to say goodbye to members of staff who for varying reasons are moving on or retiring. We thank you all for your years of service and wish you the very best for the future. Among those retiring is Miss Clarke, and it is only right that her 32 years of work at Prince of Wales be acknowledged. 32 years seems a lifetime during which thousands of pupils have benefited from Miss Clarke's extraordinary contributions to teaching and learning, pupil well-being and building a cohesive school community. Also retiring is Mrs Redmore, another amazing teacher and leader who after 20 years at our school will also look forward to enjoy various pursuits including travelling. As a result of Mrs Redmore's vision, children have experienced the highest quality of music lessons anywhere.

Leaving to gain further experiences in other schools and/or to relocate are Miss Tsenti, Ms Rowntree, Miss Lobosco, Mr Taylor, Miss Homer, Mrs Gopaul, Miss Charles and Miss Gleasure.

I look forward to seeing you all again at our next vibrant school community event on Thursday 21st July where you can also thank and say goodbye to our staff leavers.

Mr Jan M Bless – Headteacher

Attendance this week

Ash 90.00%	1H 92.50%	2A 87.50%	3F 88.08%	4F 93.33%	5G 86.99%	6B 88.33%
Birch 88.00%	1K 84.29%	2L 95.00%	3H 88.85%	4G 91.67%	5R 80.87%	6C 97.89%
Oak 89.33%	1W 92.07%	2T 86.15%	3W 90.71%	4GI 100.00%	5T 95.42%	6T 94.00%
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Well done to **Ash, 2L** and **4GI** for best attendance this week.

Overall attendance since September 2021: **93.17%**




DATE	TIME	YEAR	EVENT
11 th July	morning	all	Transition morning 1 – meet new class and teacher
12 th July	All day	Year 2	Walton on the Naze sea side visit
15 th July	5 – 6:30pm	Year 6	Disco
18 th July	morning	all	Transition morning 2 – meet new class and teacher
21.07	3:30pm	all	Cultural Day & Summer Celebration
21.07		Nursery	Final school day for Nursery
22.07.22		all	100% ATTENDANCE CLUB
22.07.22	1.30pm	all	School closed at 1:30pm for Summer break

Enfield Holiday Activities and Food Programme!

Sports, arts, filming, cooking and many other engaging activities are taking place across Enfield during the Summer holidays.

Find programmes near you using our Activity Finder.

Get active 



Key Stage One Sports Day

The children in Key Stage One had a fantastic morning on Wednesday enjoying many different activities as part of their Sports Day. None of these children had experienced a Prince of Wales Sports Day before so there was a lot of excitement from children and parents alike! We all had lots of fun taking part in an egg and spoon race, an obstacle course, practising our football dribbling skills and jumping in the sack race among other events. We were ably assisted by a team of very responsible Year 6 helpers. All of the children joined in sensibly and gave a big cheer to the Red Team who won overall. Well done, Red Team!



KS2 Sports Day – Wednesday 6th July

On Wednesday, Key Stage 2 competed in their annual Sports Day event.

The children took part in twelve events, where they competed against each other for the chance to win the trophy. Green team won and Qasim accepted the trophy on their behalf.

This was a fantastic day for everyone as it was the first time in three years the school was able to have our picnic as well.

It was also a pleasure to see so many parents and carers supporting and encouraging children around the course.





The Hobbit

No, this was not a pantomime but a play, an adaptation of the book by J.R.R Tolkien. The amazing costumes, the scenery and lighting, the music, dancing and singing all woven together, brought this book to life. There is a copy of the Hobbit in every classroom with a queue of children lining up to read it.

One of the highlights was the spider which many children found quite frightening at first as the way it moved was so convincing. They also liked the sheer size and movements of Smaug the Magnificent, a huge and very dangerous dragon. Tyler commented that he really liked the way the stone rock painted on the scenery disguised the troll.

Following on from the performance there was a backstage workshop for the year 5 children where they learned about how the sound, music, costumes and scenery were created. The most surprising discovery was that there were nine characters in the play but only four actors.

Adjectives from the children included - **amazing, intense, funny, enjoyable, entertaining.**

The challenge is for you to open any fiction book and create exciting images and strong responses for yourself.



EYFS Sports Day

On Wednesday, the Reception and Nursery children enjoyed sharing their PE skills with their parents/carers. We have been practising in PE lessons to take turns and working as a team. The parents enjoyed watching a relay race, jumping in hoops and the 'egg and spoon' race. We all had a lovely morning together out on the field.



This week's sign is: **CLIMATE CHANGE**

Click the link to see how to sign our word of the week:

<https://youtube.com/shorts/0cr7dcQtxcY?feature=share>



Autumn Term Booking Now Open!

MUSIC CAN HELP US:

- ☒ Manage stress
- ☒ Enhance memory
- ☒ Improve communication
- ☒ Express ourselves

Lessons starting from only £7 (per week)

Closing date
10th July 2022

<https://traded.enfield.gov.uk/musicstore>



Meadowsong Project

A NATIONAL PRIMARY SCHOOLS PROGRAMME IN COLLABORATION WITH RSPB AND WWF

The Meadowsong project aims to give children the opportunity to experience the beauty and wonder of the wildflower habitat and its wildlife. Through the power of song, outdoor learning, the Arts, Science and English, Meadowsong offers an immersive learning experience that gives children and teachers the opportunity to support biodiversity in creative and active ways.



Listen to some of our music compositions. Click on the link below

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PxSr3qAlDdQin>

Thank you for sharing all the beautiful Meadowsong work you have been doing at Prince of Wales - it's just WONDERFUL! I love the composing activity with flower names! It's lovely that you have your beautiful meadow at school so that the children can really make connections!

Kate Stilit

Wow this is truly inspirational.

Elena Browne Head of Singing Enfield Music Service

This is amazing - I couldn't stop smiling watching the video!

Vicki Allan

RSPB Education Development Officer



1990s BRITPOP THRONE by 2L

POW THRONES



2L's throne was inspired by the Britpop music culture of the 1990s.

Like nearly all musical trends, Britpop was about songs, guitars, jackets, and attitude. It was the first time that the charts in Britain, and most of the world, were dominated by great British musicians and bands. They

sang songs about life in Britain and issues that British people could relate to.

Some of the most popular British bands in the 90s included Blur, Oasis, Pulp, and of course Take That, and the girl power inspiring group, The Spice Girls.

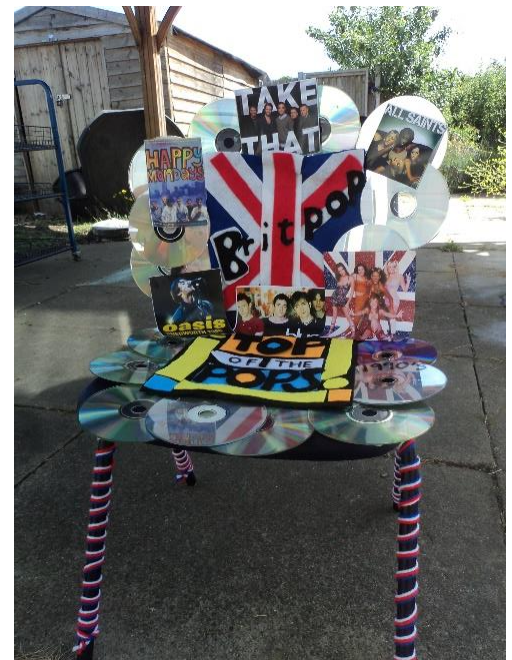
In the 90s people started replacing their music cassette tapes for the first time ever, to new modern CDs!

To make our throne, we first used acrylic paint to give it a base colour.

We researched and included the Top of the Pops logo because most of these bands performed on this popular weekly programme.

Then, we carefully cut felt and layered it to show the well-known Britpop design, which appeared on many music magazines at the time. It was a bit tricky cutting some of the letters.

Finally, we stuck CDs all around the edges to show their importance, and how they changed the way people listened to music in the 90s.



1990s MIXTAPE THRONE by 2A

Year 2's focus for their History lessons was the '90s. We have learnt why the 90s were important and what major events happened during that decade.



We decided to design a throne based on the theme of disco and what music was popular in that decade. We have listened to different popular bands and songs in the '90s such as Take That, Spice Girls, Boyzone and Westlife.

Back in the '90s, someone could create a mixtape simply by putting a cassette tape in a cassette recorder and recording music playing from another source (like a boombox or even another cassette player). A mixtape maker would carefully construct their tape to play a series of songs in a specific order, usually as a way to express their feelings to someone they cared about through music.

In a post-playlist era, that sounds incredibly simple, but trust us, there was much more labour and time involved in creating a good mixtape.

How did we make our chair?

First, we carefully painted it in purple. We then selected a few decorations linked to our theme and attached them to our throne using glue and blue tac. Using a cardboard box, we made a cassette player for the lower part. Finally, we added some glitter tape for the throne's legs.



1997 HARRY POTTER THRONE by 2T

J K Rowling, a British author, came up with the idea of the epic tale of a boy wizard in the early 1990s. The first book was titled '**Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone**'. The book reached the top of the best-sellers list and stayed there for years. J K Rowling continued the series by writing six more novels.



The books have been translated into over 80 languages, won multiple awards, and sold more than 500 million copies worldwide. They become the best-selling book series in history.

To make our chair, we first covered the seat and top with a white and black T-shirt and stuffed the seat with a towel. We then used silk fabric to make the cloak. We cut out the tie using tweed material. Harry's glasses were made using black pipe-cleaners and his broomstick from twigs collected from our garden and wrapped with brown felt. Finally, we made his hat from black sugar paper.

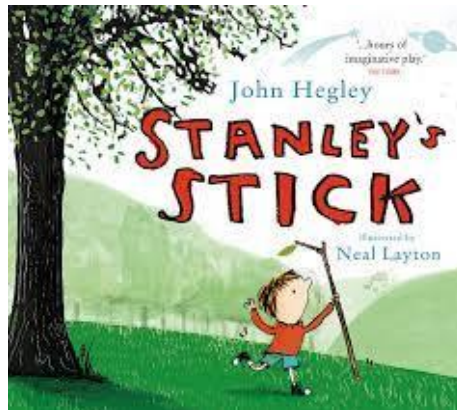
We wrapped the legs of the chair with red, white and blue string, representing our UK flag colours to link in with our school celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

POW THRONES

Reception Summer Café



We have been reading the book Stanley Stick. We invited our parents to our café and we took part in lots of activities using sticks of all lengths and widths.

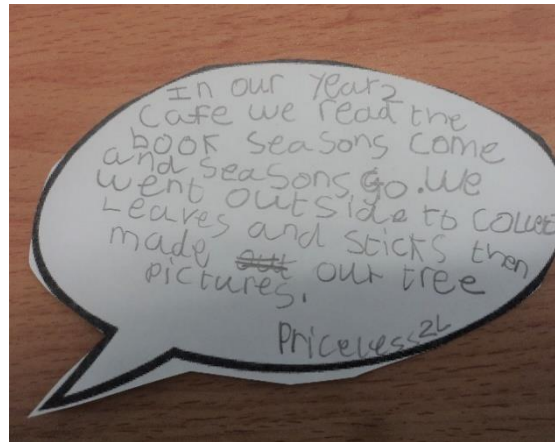


We made wands, dogs and journey sticks using string, tape and feathers. We drew and measured stick man. We used sticks to draw in shaving foam or corn flour. We had pooh stick races to see which stick traveled the faster down the river. We also used sticks to help us make playdough monsters and spiders. We used lollypop sticks to make shapes and patterns.





Year 2 Summer Café



Y4 Outdoor Cafés

During our outdoor café, y4 visited our willow tree on the island. We talked to our parents about the learning we have done this year around the tree such as tree rubbings, observational drawings and a tree art project. Some of us wrote poems about the willow tree and we also visited the Year 5 tree. Can you remember the name of this tree?

We then listened to the opening chapter of 'The Magic Faraway Tree' by Enid Blyton. This brought back many happy memories for lots of parents! We then made fantasy creatures and faces out of clay – this was great fun! These clay faces were then placed on our willow tree.



Y5 Outdoor Cafés

Y5 had a great turn out their Cafés where the children enjoyed a range of activities! Staff had the opportunity to model how we read stories to our classes and explained the importance of asking questions to extend thinking and deepen understanding of stories.



A tree trail lead everyone around a number of trees, ending up with the children's focus tree next year, the Walnut tree. There was some sketching of the Sycamore tree and an interesting discussion around its prominent gash. There was a little sing along too where some children treated their parents to a song!



Y6 Outdoor Cafés

In their final Café' as Prince of Wales students, year 6 took their parents on an intriguing and educational '*leaf hunt*'. Clues were left around the school on a variety of tress, and using their map reading skills and dendrological knowledge, parents and students identified some of the wonderful plants we have in our grounds.



After, pupils paired up for a game of 'tree top trumps', while teachers read them '*There once is a Queen*' - a story by Michael Morpurgo which involved a very royal oak!

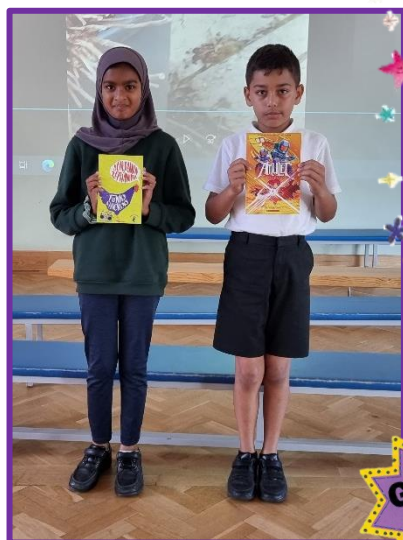




The Value for July is: Celebrating Cultural Diversity

The pupils who received a certificate this week:

Hira 1H, Johnny 1K, Rosa 1W, Shireen 2A, Kayle 2L, Kai 2T, Eli 3F, Miraz 3H, Ronnie 3W, Elnathan 4F, Dolly 4G, Sadia 4GL, Keshaun 5G, Asad 5R, Humahira 5T, Elyana 6B, Aisha 6C, Nevaeh 6T, Arios 6TA



Sienna achieved the
Year 6 Resilience Award



Accelerated Reading

Winner for KS1& Y3:

2L - 96% average correct
Botan - 5/5 quizzes with 96%

Winner for KS2:

4G - 92% average correct
Zaynab - 8/8 quizzes with 93.8%



Thank you for helping out on Sports Day!

Join us in celebrating the rich cultural diversity
at Prince of Wales Primary School

Summer Celebration

Thursday 21st July

3:30 - 5:30pm

Prince of Wales Primary School

HOME MADE CRAFTS

traditional foods

FACE PAINTING

MUSIC

games & fun

STALLS