

Principal's update

For the last two years, the Park Federation has been working with a charity called Actionaid on a project called 'Global Park 60'. 'Global' because we are helping to support women and girls from around the world, 'Park' because we are the Park Federation and '60' because we are helping 60 people.

ActionAid is an international charity that works with women and girls living in poverty. For women and girls, poverty means having fewer opportunities than men and boys. In the world's poorest places this means women and girls often face discrimination, exploitation and violence. From the moment they're born, many girls are seen and treated as less than boys. All over the world women and girls have fewer choices than men and boys. At West Drayton, girls and boys are treated equally.

Each year, the West Drayton community donates money to ActionAid. This term, we have the summer cake sale followed by 'Lark in the Park' - when all 8 schools in the Federation come together to celebrate community. We are on course to raise our target amount of £3000.

Have a great weekend.

Dates for your diary

10th June

Celebration Saturday

12th- 14th June

Y4 MTC

12th June - 15th June

Y1 & Y2 Phonics Screening

14th June

Girls' Cricket Match
Strictly Speaking at Lake Farm Academy

19th - 23rd June

Health & Fitness Week

23rd June

Sports Day

30th June

International Culture Day

7th July

Summer Fayre

BE A PARENT GOVERNOR!



As part of the school's Academy Council, there is a vacancy for a Parent Governor.

Our Parent Governors are valuable members of the Academy Council. We rely on them to help us to keep in touch with what parents are thinking and to help us to decide what is best for all our children.

Our Academy Council meets once every 1/2 term. You do not need to be an expert in the field of education, all you need to do is care about your child's school and be prepared to attend meetings and contribute to the future of the school.

The Term of Office for Parent Governors is four years.

NEXT STEPS!

If you would like further information, please speak to the Principal or, to apply, collect an application form from reception.

The closing date for applications is **Friday June 23rd**. If there's more than 1 applicant, a ballot will be arranged and voting papers sent to all parents.



Year 2 Pirate Day

Year 2 transformed themselves into a pirate crew to immerse themselves in their writing topic for this half term. We will be writing a non chronological report all about pirates and what better way to learn than to experience some activities that pirates would have taken part in? We began the day by completing a pirate style treasure hunt. To find the treasure, children had to solve 15 clues and then figure out the final riddle which revealed where the treasure was. It was being guarded by Mrs Oates!

We then transformed our adventure trail into a pirate ship for the day and made our own telescopes to help us look out for enemies when we were on our ship. Finally, we took part in lots of pirate activities, such as making our own eye patches, tasting dry biscuits, creating name tags of our pirate names and drawing a pirate ship. We really enjoyed our day and can't wait to begin writing about all the things we learnt.



International Culture Day

Culture Club will be organising International Day on 30th June to celebrate the diversity that exists within the community. We welcome you all to come together and be part of this event and share your culture with everyone in the community.



If you would like to share aspects of your culture e.g. display of artefacts, traditional wear, jewellery and food, get a table booked for free. If you are interested in selling any items, a table can be booked for £10 each. Please get in touch with our Family Support Officer on 07718 492006 to discuss your ideas.

Attendance

The class with the best attendance this week is:

1st place: 5R with 99.4%
2nd place: 5S with 98%
3rd place: 3D with 97%

It will be a non-uniform day for 5R on Friday 16th June.

Well done!

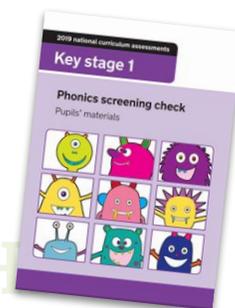
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MATTERS

Phonics Screening Check Week

During the week commencing 12th June, all children in Year 1 and some children in Year 2 who need to retake the test or are new to the country will need to sit the statutory Phonics Screening Check. The screening check assesses children's ability to decode real and made up words using their phonics skills. It's a short assessment, with no specific time limit, but usually takes under ten minutes to complete. It will be administered one-to-one with a familiar adult.

This assessment helps us to measure your child's phonics progress and highlights if any further phonics support needs to be given to your child.

You will find out if your child has passed the check in their end of year school report. If your child hasn't met the pass mark in their Phonics Screening Check they will then continue to receive phonics support before retaking the assessment at the end of Year 2.



If your child is absent from school during the Phonics Screening Check week then their test will be administered on their return or in the week commencing 19th June.

