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It has been another busy and productive week at Tolleshunt D'Arcy! I have once again had the pleasure of seeing a wide range of learning happening within classrooms and fantastic engagement from the children. It never ceases to bring me joy to see the inquisitiveness and eagerness to learn that our children show. In our assembly story this week; 'Ada Twist, Scientist', we learned about how broad children's interests can be and how they can be nurtured. I was delighted to see how many of our children were interested in a future in science - particularly some of our girls - and I can certainly see bright futures ahead for them.

Today, we were fortunate enough to have our PTFA organising a Coronation street party and, although the weather wasn't quite as kind, it was a pleasure to see so many people attending and engaging with school life. I would also like to thank Maxine, our cook, for all the effort she put into organising the picnic lunch and baking the scones for the PTFA.

During the organisation of these school events, I was given pause to think about such 'once in a lifetime' events and ask the question, 'Where were you when...?' I imagine in the future being asked such questions as, 'Where were you when Covid happened?', and look to this weekend as being a time where people can come together and show a real sense of community that has so easily been lost during the past few years. As much as I enjoy celebrating learning with the children in class, it is equally as enjoyable to share in that learning with the parent community - and we hope to provide more opportunities as the summer term progresses.

We are of course looking now towards the Year 6 SATs next week. There has been a tremendous effort from both the staff in class and the children. There is no doubt in my mind that they will try their best, and I know you will join me as a community in wishing them the best of luck in the week to come and in their education beyond that. It would be lovely if we could encourage our children to wish them luck each day; I know they would be appreciative.

I will end this week by again highlighting the fantastic things I have seen around the school. It goes without saying that Class 4 have been exceptional in their attitude to learning, and I hope you share in our pride for them. Class 1 have been planting beans so they can watch the process of them growing. I know we have quite a few gardeners in our school community, so it's wonderful that the children can share in that interest as well. Class 3 have been getting thoroughly into the coronation spirit, and I was impressed by the flags and crowns they made (I'm not sure how much of a fan of the feathers King Charles would be though!). Finally, Class 2 have been having a lot of fun writing nonsense poems. They have also put in a huge amount of effort in improving their handwriting and presentation - well done to them!

I hope you all have a fantastic bank holiday weekend, and that you make it one to remember. I look forward to seeing everyone next week for another fantastic week of learning.

Mr Este

Deputy Headteacher Safeguarding

We all have a duty to safeguard the children in our care and if the school suspects or knows that a child is at risk of significant harm, we will make a referral to Social Services. The school does not investigate any disclosures that children may make, we are a referring agency. Procedures on safeguarding from the Government make it clear that all staff should operate with an 'it could happen here' approach to any concerns they may have. If you have any concerns about a child please telephone the Essex Child and Families Hub on 0345 603 7627.



PTFA News

Thank you for all your hard work organising our Coronation celebrations

Friday 19th
May
Non-Uniform
for a Donation

For further details of all events please see the attached posters.







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Certificate of Achievement Winners

Class 1: Nevaeh

Jenson

Class 2: Elliott W

David

Class 3: Mary-Rose

Ethan

Class 4: Adam

Hattie

House points

This week's winners are:

Allingham and D'Arcy

Weekly Statistics

Class	Attendance %	Lates
1	92	1
2	99	2
3	99	1
4	96	0

School Week – 95%

Whole School Academic Year – 93%

(*Target 97%*)

Well Done to Classes 2 and 3 for attendance and Class 4 for punctuality!

Fun 4 kids



Are now running Themed Fridays. Please see website for details.

www.darcyschool.co.uk/fun4kids

Diary dates

- $9^{th} 12^{th} \text{ May} \text{SATs week}$
- 24th May Class 3 Sharing Assembly
- 24th May 3.30 pm School v. Heybridge Netball
- 5th June Whole School Trip: Colchester Zoo
- 9th June Whole School Sports and Family Picnic
- 12th June 2 Johns Event
- 19th 23rd June House Games

Inset Days

26th May 2023 30th June 2023

Dear God,

Thank you Lord for all that we have. Be with those who are suffering. Give us courage in our daily lives.

In Jesus name

Amen

Christian Value: Courageous







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