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Friday 16th June 2023

Our Weekly Winners!

Here are the names of our shiny stars we crowned winners in our celebration assembly over the last two weeks. Well done to you all!









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Attendance

Geraldine the Giraffe is always looking for a classroom to rest in. As an incentive towards our attendance in school, the class who has the highest percentage fortnightly will have Geraldine spend two weeks with them.

Our winning class this week is Class 2 - well done!

Year Six Residential

On Monday the 5th June 2023, the four girls from our wonderful Year Six cohort embarked upon their residential. They were undertaking a week at The Wilderness Experience, just outside of Leek. Excitement was high as we boarded the coach. Upon arrival, the children had to unload their bags and carry them to our campsite for the week – this was no easy task! The children then had to set up their own tents, forging new friendships, using lots of skills and exhausting muscles they didn't know they had! The rest of the first day was spent completing some bush craft activities, including making fire and building dens.

Day two started early, the children were eager to get going. So after a big breakfast (including sausage sandwiches) the children enjoyed activities including archery, climbing, axe-throwing and animal tracking. Safe to say, everyone was shattered by the end of the second day!

Day three was to be completed off-site. At 9:30, the children were transported to The Roaches where they enjoyed a lovely walk along the ridge, followed by an afternoon of climbing and weaselling (this involved squeezing into some incredibly small gaps between rocks!) Another good night's sleep was enjoyed by all after these tiring activities.

Day four was again enjoyed off-site, with the children being transported by coach to Tittesworth reservoir. Once here, the children enjoyed orienteering and then lots of fun activities on the water, including paddle-boarding and canoeing.

As the final day approached, a bittersweet feeling enveloped the campsite. The children spent the morning reflecting on the adventures they had shared and the new friendships they had formed ready for their transition to secondary school.

The children all had a great time and they have been sharing exciting stories with all of our Year Fives who will enjoy a similar experience this time next year!







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Special Person's Lunch

On Tuesday the 13th June, we were joined at school for a special lunch by some of our extended family members. In honour of Father's Day, we had a special person's lunch cooked for us by our wonderful chef Kat. The children and visitors enjoyed a fabulous lunch of Hawaiian burgers with fries and a dessert of jelly and ice cream!









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<u>Cricket</u>

There have been two cricket tournaments over the past fortnight. Firstly, on the 7th June, we joined forces with our friends at Dilhorne Primary School once again for the mighty Valhorne! The children conducted themselves in an impeccable manner. They played two games: winning one and losing one. Well done to Reuben, Theo, Arthur, Oliver and Gilbert!

On Wednesday 14th June, Year 5 & 6 (and a couple of Year 4s) helped us to form a team to partake in the Year 5 & 6 CADSSA Cricket tournament. The sun was shining and the sun cream had been applied ready for an afternoon of fun. We were drawn in a tough group against two of our sister schools: Dilhorne and Bishop Rawle. We narrowly edged Dilhorne in our first game with a victory by just four runs. If we wanted to progress, we knew we needed to win our second game against Bishop Rawle. After a good batting innings, we needed to field like our lives depended on it. With five balls to go, Bishop Rawle needed seven runs – an easy target to achieve. However, a stellar bowling performance from Theo limiting them to one run whilst also taking three wickets, gave us a handsome victory. So it was on to the final. We were up against a tough St Werburgh's side, many of whom play for Checkley under-12s. All of our children played impeccably, giving their all. Unfortunately, it wasn't to be our day. But coming second and playing as well as we did is a definite victory for our school and a memory they will all retain for a long time to come! Well done to Esme, Leah, Scarlett, Sophia, Hettie, Edith, Ester, Harry, Reuben and Theo.











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Polite Reminder – Formby Beach Trip

A gentle reminder that all forms need to be signed and returned by Friday 23rd June. The children are very much looking forward to their day at the beach – let's hope the weather stays like this!

<u>Lateness.</u>

Please may we remind you that our school day begins at 8.45am when the doors open to children. They remain open until 9.00am. Children should arrive at school between these times, to ensure that they are marked present and do not incur 'late' marks. Lateness is recorded on children's attendance and it is important that they are on time.

Keeping in touch.

If you have any questions or queries you can contact the class teacher directly using our class email address, we will respond during school working hours; our class email addresses are: <u>Valleyclass1@tmpf.staffs.sch.uk</u> <u>Valleyclass2@tmpf.staffs.sch.uk</u> <u>Valleyclass3@tmpf.staffs.sch.uk</u>

<u>PTFA</u>

On Friday 16th June 2023, we have a very exciting Chocolate Bingo planned for our children and families to enjoy. We will send further details closer to the time.

Thank you for the all the donations received so far. All monies raised at this event will indeed go towards our target of purchasing five new iPads to enhance our children's learning experience.

Thank you in advance for your support with this.









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A Message from the Oakamoor Festival Committee.

Dear parents,

The Oakamoor Festival Committee are looking for some to run the bingo session in the Village Hall on Sunday 3rd September at 7.30pm for an hour and a half. We need someone to be a caller. We will find all the prizes etc. If you would like to help please call:

John Brooking 01538750073 Daytime or 01538702825 Evening Or alternatively email john@johnbrooking.co.uk.

Many thanks in advance.

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At Rainbows, we welcome all girls to play, learn and have fun in a creative, safe space. She'll choose her way through our programme of activities for all abilities.

From getting creative with crafts, learning through games and stories, exploring indoors and out, even going on her first sleepover! It's a wonderful world of adventure, week after week, just for her.

To find out more search Rainbows at girlguiding.org.uk or ring hinda Goodwin 7853142507

Diary Dates

Summer Term 2

21.06.23 – Academy Photography

22.06.23 - Y5/6 CADSSA Rounders Tournament (chosen children will receive a letter)

23.06.23 - Y5/6 Rounders at The Cheadle Academy (chosen children will receive a letter)

03.07.23 – Whole School Trip – Formby Beach

05.07.23 – Y3-6 Northwood Stadium Sports Event

05.07.23 – 6pm Sports Awards at The Cheadle Academy

12.07.23 – Transition Day (Children visit their new classes).

13.07.23 – Sports Day – 9.30-10.30am or 1.30-2.30pm.

18.07.23 – End of Year Performance 'The Greatest Show' 2pm and 6pm

20.07.23 - Class of 2023 Themed Lunch

21.07.23 – Year 6 Leaver's Assembly 9.15am.

