

Year 6 WOW! Year 6 have had a thoroughly enjoyable and very busy term; and overall, it has been a wonderful year and we have had a superb time celebrating so many successes. The children have worked exceptionally hard and we have been incredibly proud of the progress made by each and every child and the amazing individuals they have all become. Our work in science was a great success. We have been thrilled to see the children confidently using scientific language, when speaking about the circulatory system. In Art, WOW! What a few weeks we have had learning all about Mayan masks and we even managed to create our own fabulous designs out of clay. Recently, we have spent a huge amount of time preparing for our spectacular virtual production – Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits – where the children really worked exceptionally hard and showcased what an impressive amount of God Given Talents they have. Their performances really were absolutely outstanding and they really did themselves proud. Once again, as parents and carers, you must be incredibly proud of how hard your children have worked this year; I have been so lucky to be their teacher this year, and they are exactly the reason why I love my job so much! We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your continued support. We wish all Year 6 students every success for the future; we're sure they'll do us proud! **Mr L Revell**



Kids' Club

With the weather being so unpredictable, the children at Bourne Elsea Park Breakfast and Kids' Club have the choice to play inside or out in their year group bubbles. KS1 have the use of the field while KS2 use the trim-trail. Those remaining inside can catch up on homework, read or play games. Breakfast includes wholegrain cereals, buttered bagels, toast and jam, crumpets and English muffins with a glass of juice or milk. Evening snack consists of cereals, cheese and biscuits and sandwiches. We would like to wish you an exciting and warm summer from Bourne Elsea Park Kids' Club and look forward to the new term in September. **Mrs J Clarke, Miss Grover and Mrs C Needham**



Well, what can we say other than it's been an unusual school year with COVID-19 still being around! Unfortunately this did impact all our events this year but luckily we have still been able to run the school lottery and Amazon smile as well as provide things for the children, such as First News Papers and also a reading scheme. Hopefully in September we will be back bigger than ever with lots of events for the coming year. Also we have had lots of new volunteers who want to get on board and help make the PTFA better and are always looking for anyone who would like to get involved and can spare some time. Before I sign off I would like to wish you all a lovely summer and hope you all have lots of fun and are able to catch up with family and friends. **Mrs A Mortlock**



Sports Report

This has been a very busy term for sport at Bourne Elsea Park. The whole school celebrated taking part in sport with our bubble Sports days held earlier this term. All the children from Reception through to Year 6 took part in a range of fun and traditional running events. The children were incredibly supportive showing fantastic enthusiasm and sportsmanship throughout the events. A special mention has to go out to our Bronze Young Ambassadors in Year 6 as well, as they helped set up, score and cheer on our class bubbles with their races. Some children across the year groups have also had the opportunity to take part in wellbeing sessions, with Sam Ruddock, where they have been able to discuss and reflect on emotions through sport. Sam was incredible impressed by the maturity and lovely nature of all the children involved. Congratulations to all those children who took part and represented our school so well! **Mr L Revell**



Student Council



Try as it might, school closure has not stopped Pupil Voice from being heard at our school this year. As soon as they were together as representatives for their first meeting after Democracy day back in September, Student Council have worked enthusiastically together, led by their chairperson, Ruby Ulyatt, to ensure that the ideas and wishes of their classes have been shared with the council and that every child has had their voice heard during the school year. Despite of a difficult year for many, our charity Days have been hugely successful, raising a spectacular total of money over the year for Children in Need, Sports Relief and Nyansakia, inspiring our children to be 'Agents of Change' in the lives of many other children locally and around the world. Over the course of the year Student council have also worked closely with our Unicef Ambassadors to campaign for children's rights in our local area of Bourne, having been inspired by the Unicef 'Outright' campaign to raise awareness of a need for better cycling facilities. As a result of their learning in school about the effects of fuel emissions on the environment, our councillors and ambassadors decided to write to Mr Gareth Davies, our local MP to campaign for improved cycle lanes and parking facilities along with free Bikeability training. Within school they have created a new, COVID safe lunchtime charter, and actioned for an extended environmental area amongst other improvements for the school. Well done Student council, it has been such a pleasure working with you this year. **Miss S Davey**

Article 28:
Every child has the right to have their voices listened to.

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Summer Term 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

What an incredible final term we have had! We have continued to fly high together as a team of geese; adapting and supporting each other during these Coronavirus times. Our wonderful children never fail to continue to amaze us with their resilience, adaptability, positivity and creativity. Our fantastic creative curriculum has continued to inspire the children across the school in their bubbles. Families of children in Years 1, 2, 3 and 5 all have all shared in the delight of watching our virtual year group assemblies throughout Terms 5 and 6. I'm sure you will agree that these assemblies give all of our children the opportunity to showcase their many God given talents.

We have also had a very active term, with a fantastic Sports day organised brilliantly by Mr Revell and his team of Year 6 Young Ambassadors, you can read more about Sports day later in this newsletter and there are photos on our school website of the day. We were also thrilled to welcome back Paralympian Sam Ruddock to work with some of our children which has been an incredibly positive experience and something I am sure the children always remember.

Then of course we had the always action-packed Africa Day where the school was overflowing with colour and the children completed a 'mile in style!' We've also welcomed back Chef Darren from Roots to Food to inspire the children of KS2 with an Olympics inspired cuisine. We were also thrilled that our Year 5 children were able to take part in Bikeability, you may have seen them cycling confidently in and around Elsea Park over the last few weeks. It has been so brilliant to be able to have more these activities take place this term and we are all looking forward to this and more next academic year.

This time of year is always a fantastic time for celebration. Celebration of the wonderful achievements of each and every one of our children and I can confidently say our school family have achieved so much and they have absolutely accomplished this together. This year is made all the more special because this is the first group of Year 6 children to make their way from Reception all the way to Year 6 at our school. Their resilience throughout uncertain times and their enthusiasm for each and every one of the opportunities they are provided with has been remarkable. Their virtual production was absolutely outstanding and a great testament to their hard work and perseverance this year. I am sure that there won't be a dry eye in the house at our socially distanced Leavers' Service. Each and every one of them will be missed but we know they are ready to fly high in their new settings.

It has been a pleasure and privilege to be Acting Head of School for Bourne Elsea Park this year. This is a such unique and wonderful school and I have enjoyed every moment of my time here getting you know your children and seeing them flourish and grow. I am thoroughly looking forward to many new adventures and experiences next year when hopefully school life will become even more normal!

I would also say a huge thank you to Mrs Moore and all of the staff at our school, their continued efforts help make this school a wonderful place for your children to learn.

And finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you and your children for your positivity, support and kindness every single day. Have an amazing summer break and we look forward to welcoming you back in September.

"An intelligent heart acquires knowledge, and the ear of the wise seeks knowledge." Proverbs 18:15

Mr P Bellamy, Acting Head of School



A Prayer to end the school year.

Dear God,
Thank you for our school, for all who help us to learn, and for the friends that we meet here.
Thank you for the opportunities that you give us.
Now that it is holiday time, help us to rest, as you rested when you finished your work, and as you taught us to do through your son Jesus.
Help us to be like him and his disciples, and to know the importance of rest. Amen.



Dear Friends,

It's the end of the school year and time for summer holidays. Fantastic! I hope that you will have a wonderful time, and do really fun things.

It doesn't matter whether you go away or stay at home. What matters is that these next few weeks are different from the other weeks of the year.

During term, there are things to learn, and activities and assignments to finish. In our holiday time we get some space to do something different.

I wonder, what will you do with your time this summer holiday?

Perhaps you will play with friends. You might spend time with family. You might enjoy being on your own. It really doesn't matter what you do or who you do it with, as long as you keep safe, and as long as you do something different from the rest of the year.

This is because when we do different things from usual on holiday, we help our bodies and our brains to recover. We can then work better when it's September and time to come back to school.

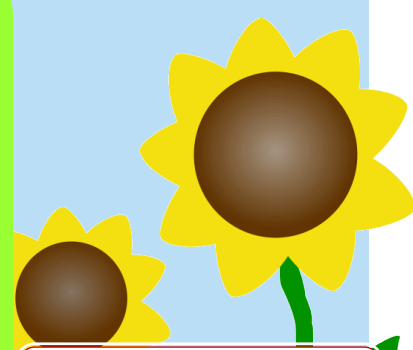
Rest isn't an 'add on extra' to our lives, it is an important part of them. Doctors tell us this, but so do other people as well. In the Bible, we are told that God rested when he had finished his work of creation: 'on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done.' (Genesis 2.2)

So, having given everything life, God stops and rests. I think this is wonderful! God has taken time to notice the things he has made as he makes them, looking at them and saying 'it was good'. But after six days of hard work, on the seventh day, God shows his happiness by stopping, by resting and by delighting. It's as if God is saying to us: you really must take time out, just to be, just to enjoy things – and it's an important lesson for us and an example to follow.

Jesus, also, tells his disciples that they need to rest: 'He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." (Mark 6.31). Jesus knows that the disciples have been working hard, and that they need to stop. Actually, they don't get a very long rest, because people follow them, and this is important too: we don't need to think that we have to do something special every day of our holiday and we might find that our plans get disrupted – but what matters is that we try to give ourselves space to breathe, space to relax, space in which to stop.

It's been another hard year, with home learning, and class bubbles, and lots of hand-washing. Many of our plans have been disrupted. But now it's time to rest, like Jesus and like God.

Have a very happy summer holiday! **The Rt Revd Dr Nicholas Chamberlain, Bishop of Grantham**



Dates for your Diary
3rd September – Training Day (School Closed)
6th September 2021—School Open

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Reception

What an exciting final term we have had in Reception. Our topic, "Would you invite a pirate to tea?" has been a huge hit with all the children. We began with a swashbuckling start to the term by all dressing up as pirates and spent the day taking part in pirate activities, learning to talk like a pirate, pirate role play, treasure map making but thankfully no one was forced to walk the plank! Our role play areas were transformed into a pirate island and a pirate ship so we could continue the pirate fun throughout our busy learning time over the term. We were also able to use our cooking skills to design and make a treasure map pizza that was enjoyed as a tasty treat at the end of the day!

We have loved using story books to engage us with our learning 'Rainbow Fish' and 'What the Ladybird Heard at the Seaside' were two big hits! We are fabulous writers in Reception and wowed our teachers by writing our own versions of the stories.

Sports day is always a highlight of the year and although it was a little bit different this year this did not stop us giving it our all and showing off our body smart skills! We managed to dodge the rain and took part in lots of races and we were all proud of our sports day ribbons.

As we prepare to move up to Year 1 we have been reflecting on how much we have learnt this year. It has been lovely sharing our work books with friends and feeling proud of our achievements. Well done Reception for an unusual but fun filled and action-packed year. You really are Elsea Park Superstars!

Mrs W Campbell and Mrs A Simpson



Year 1

Wow! This year has absolutely flown by and what an incredible year it has been! Although it has been another unusual year at times, your children have absolutely blown us away with their hard work, resilience and enthusiasm for all of our topics. They really do have the Bourne Elsea Park 'WOW' factor! On Sports day, we saw some terrific team spirit, healthy competitiveness and super sportsmanship – they were so keen for their friends to succeed! In Terms 5 and 6, we thoroughly enjoyed our 'Oh! What a Wonderful World!' topic, travelling along with Paddington on all of his adventures and comparing Peru with our home town, showing off our awesome geography skills. In science we have been thinking about the groups in the animal kingdom and their features. We really enjoyed observing a real sea bream (Boris), recognising and labelling its different parts and producing some accurate and detailed diagrams. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support throughout this year and wish you all a relaxing and enjoyable summer. Mrs J Trafford and Mrs C Evans



Year 2

What an absolutely fabulous last two terms we have had in Year 2! The children's perseverance and enthusiasm towards all the challenges they have faced has been amazing and I am so proud of them. We have loved developing our writing by exploring some amazing books. When we read the book 'The Disgusting Sandwich', we developed our own revolting recipes, created sticky, jam sandwiches and then rewrote our own version of the story. It was so exciting when Sunny the meerkat came and visited us, from the book 'Meerkat Mail' and we wrote him a letter explaining why Bourne Elsea Park is the perfect habitat for him. In science, there was some great learning about animal habitats as well as an exploration of the school grounds to get a hands-on experience of the natural environment.

In R.E we have been thinking about Thankfulness, salvation and incarnation. We've loved our PSHE scheme 'Zippy's Friends' because it allowed us to explore tricky topics through stories that we can relate to. It has been lovely to see the children encouraging, being kind and supportive towards each other.

I would like to take this opportunity to tell you how much of a pleasure it has been to be part of your child's learning journey. I hope you all have a lovely summer holiday! Mrs R Bradley



Year 3

What a fabulously busy term we have had! It doesn't seem like five minutes since we kicked off our learning with a delightful delve inside the world of David Walliams and his World's Worst Children. We've had so much fun over the term – meeting the characters from David Walliam's stories – which has led to some terrific 'Take Care' writing of our own. In maths, we all became experts on measuring mass. Miss Orriss is convinced Year 3 have been looking at her lesson plans in advance – because the class have been absolutely blowing her socks off with their knowledge and understanding! To finish off the term, we were lucky enough to take part in a cooking event with Roots to Food, we absolutely loved creating our own Japanese inspired dishes and we felt inspired to share our new love for teriyaki chicken and Bombay noodles with our families. Delicious! This year, we have had so many adventures together and I am so proud of everything Year 3 have achieved. The class are exceptional and I will miss teaching them dearly. I would like to take this opportunity to wholeheartedly thank all the parents and carers for their support during this unusual year and wish you all a wonderful and relaxing summer. Miss N Orriss



Year 4

WOW! What a way to end the year. Just when we thought our time at school couldn't get any more exciting, we embarked on the most mystical, mesmerising and miraculous adventure ever! Our final topic, Holding Out For A Hero was filled to the brim with enchanting yet utterly terrifying dragons which we took great pride in describing in minute and fabulous detail. But suddenly, one day, we had an epiphany! Maybe not all dragons were murderous beasts? Maybe some were kind and caring? Maybe these terrifying brutes were really just misunderstood? With fresh eyes, we set about writing Kennings poems describing this elegant, graceful and magical creatures. In amongst all that outstanding writing, we also developed designed and made our very own dragon hunter light sources, we learnt a phenomenal amount of information about the Anglo-Saxons and their plight against the Vikings and we became Times Tables Rock Stars! Phewy! We don't know about you, but we are just about ready for a spot of relaxing in the sun (hopefully!).

Miss L Ockwell



Year 5

Where has this Summer Term has gone?! The Year 5s have rocketed through their 'To Infinity and Beyond' topic this term, blasting off into the incredibly exciting world of our Solar System when learning about the movement of the planets, our moon and the sun. Songs, quizzes, experiments and practical activities have helped to deepen their knowledge further and inspire them to look at what exists beyond our world. They have been inspired by the atmospheric, fantasy planet of Pandora to create impactful and entertaining setting descriptions by developing and extending their use of figurative language whilst crafting stunning and imaginative home work projects to show off their newly found knowledge of Space facts.

In Maths they have continued to work on their fluency and pace of times tables recall, building on their arithmetic skills through Fluency in Five, measuring volume and consolidating their knowledge of fractions. In PSHE they have broadened their understanding of the changes they will be going through as they go through puberty, both physically and emotionally, whilst learning the correct anatomical names for parts of their bodies. The children have also consolidated their learning about how different faiths express their religious beliefs by making their own artistic creations to answer the Big Question 'What unites us?'. We have been stunned by how they have used their God given talents to do this through art, dance, music and words. We would like to take the opportunity to thank all the amazing parents who have supported their children throughout this very challenging year, through their home learning and when encouraging them on their return to school. Your children have been a credit to you all. Have a wonderful Summer Year 5, well done and Good Luck next year! Miss S Davey and Mr J Waterhouse

