



Newsletter

Friday 17th June 2022

Week 2 Term 6

I can't believe how quickly the year has gone! Very soon we will be starting our transition programme to support the children moving onto new classes and new schools. Look out for more information about this soon. The children will be meeting their new teachers on the 29th June and having lots of opportunities to find out about next year. On Tuesday 19th July, we will also be inviting you to come in to school at 3:00 p.m. for our Open Afternoon, so that you look at all the work your child has completed this year before taking the school books home to keep. We also have the FODS summer picnic to look forward to and Sports Day events – we look forward to seeing you then! Have a lovely weekend everyone!

With kind regards,

T. Gobell

Miss T Gobell - Head Teacher



National Book Tokens:



The National Book Tokens organisation is running a schools' competition. People can nominate their school to win £1000. If you would like to nominate The Discovery School, please click on the link below:

https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools?utm_source=nbt&utm_medium=email&utm_content=nominate-your-school&utm_campaign=20220607_schools



Attendance:

Attendance at The Discovery School has always been high but is currently being adversely affected by COVID-19 cases. Overall attendance so far for the year 2021/22: 94.7%. When excluding COVID-19 cases for our absence data, attendance is 96.9%.

Best Class Attendance:

Well done Johnson Class (week ending 10th June) – 98.4%

Well done Winston Class (week ending 17th June) – 99.8%



Upcoming dates for your diary

Please find below a list of key dates for the first few weeks of Term 6.

- 20th June - INSET day (school closed to children)
- Tuesday 21st June – Year 4 multiplication check continues
- Tuesday 21st June – New EYFS parents talk at 5:00 p.m.
- Wednesday 22nd June – SEND Coffee Morning at 9:30 a.m.
- Friday 24th June – Year 6 leaving for the Residential
- Friday 24th June – Year 1 on Geography and History walk
- Monday 27th June – Year 6 return from the Residential
- Tuesday 28th June – EYFS Sports Day



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Pre-loved Uniform:

Just a reminder that the School has a large selection of good quality pre-loved uniform. It is mainly school jumpers and ties, but we also hold other uniform items. Pre-loved uniform is displayed at the front of the school and items should be paid for in cash - all monies raised goes directly to FODS (PTA).



News from a former pupil:

Daniel Stiff, a former pupil and head boy of the Discovery School, has been working towards his silver Duke of Edinburgh award over the past year. For his volunteering, he has been working with Energy Envoys, who aim to help with energy awareness across the world with the end goal of reducing carbon emissions. With this in mind, Daniel has produced the attached poster as a handy reminder to us all on small ways that we can reduce our energy usage, helping not only the environment but our but our pockets as well. Thank you Daniel!



Thank You:

Many thanks to Sarah Simpson (mum of Lydia Simpson in Goodall and Lola Simpson in Jackson

Class) for knitting our fabulous post-box topper! Do take a look if you are passing the school office at any time – it is AMAZING!

Value Points

Winning House (week ending 10th June 2022)
– Shackleton House

Winning House (week ending 17th June 2022)
– Scott House

Super Star Corner

Well done to Oscar Thomas in Berners-Lee class – Oscar came third in a recent tennis tournament – congratulations Oscar!



Well done to Arthur Brice in Jemison Class. Arthur recently won Coach's Player of the Season for his football team Waterringbury Cougars U9s – excellent news Arthur!



Well done to Erin Woolsey in Berners-Lee Class for taking part in a showcase last Sunday with her Musical Theatre class. Erin performed the song Revolting Children from Matilda the Musical at the Khan Theatre at Mascall's School. Erin sang the first part of the song as a solo – excellent news Erin!

Super Star Corner

Well done to Lottie Pitcher in Turing Class. Lottie recently performed with the London Children's Ballet in the West End. She appeared in a performance of Anne of Green Gables, including a charity performance for children with special needs and residents from local care homes - it was a dream come true!



Congratulations to Lacey Hudgell in Hawking Class. Lacey recently completed a solo at the All England Ballet Dance Regional Finals - Lacey came 3rd out of 56 of the best competitors in the South-East. She has also won a place in the National Finals in High Wycombe at the end of July – great news Lacey!



Super Star Corner

Well done to Ethan Illingsworth in Thunberg Class. Ethan was very proud to be named Top Goal Scorer at Watlington FC playing for the Cougars U9 team, Ethan scored an impressive 32 goals in 21 league games throughout the 2021/22 season – brilliant news Ethan!



On Monday 13th June, some children across Years 3-6 took part in a Tennis Tournament at Kings Hill Community Tennis Club. Despite the heat, they all played brilliantly and demonstrated fantastic team work and sportsmanship. One of our teams won the whole tournament and brought back an amazing trophy for the school! Well done to all the children who took part!





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