

WEEKLY EXPRESS



A MESSAGE FROM MRS TAI

Dear families,

What a welcome the sunshine is - being out in the garden this week has been very pleasant as a result! As the weather is warm, please ensure children are coming to school dressed appropriately for the weather - with sun hats and sun cream put on before they arrive. Children do not need to wear their ties in the warm weather and will be encouraged to take off jumpers and fleeces in classrooms. Please ensure your child's clothing is clearly labelled as there may be some confusion with the number of jumpers around the site at the moment!

Uniform

We are currently reviewing our uniform policy which is set to be updated for September 2025. In the meantime, can you please ensure children are wearing the correct uniform, particularly for PE. The children should only be wearing plain, black non logo'd joggers, leggings or shorts with plain white t-shirts. If you have any challenges with this, please do reach out to see how we can support you. Thank you.

School Site - after hours

We have noticed recently that a number of children are coming in to the school carpark and site after hours to play. Even though the gates are open, children should not be coming in to the carpark, especially as this space is not supervised and is potentially very dangerous with delivery trucks and cars in and out. We will talk to the children about this in school but we are asking our community to also have this conversation at home to ensure we are all keeping our young people safe. Thanks for your support.

Have a wonderful weekend. Mrs Tai



SUMMER DATES

Please check your inbox and the back page of this newsletter for this term's key dates for your diary.

Please let us know what other events you would like to see us host - we would love to hear your views. Please reach out via the office.

NURSERY APPLICATIONS

Do you have a child who will turn 3 before the 31st of August this year? If so, applications are now open for our school nursery for September 2025. If you are currently eligible for the working families free 15 hour provision for children aged from 9 months - 4 years, you can apply for a free 30 hour place at our school nursery from September 2025. Please see the government Childcare Choices website for more information: <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/whats-new>

For more information, or if you would like a tour of our amazing Early Years unit, please contact the school office to book a visit and pick up an application pack.



HOUSE POINTS

PEAKE

19,686

STOREY

19,024

20,146

19,866

RASHFORD

PANKHURST

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WEEKLY WINNERS

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week and Caught Being Kind winners this week.

Star of the Week: **Caught being Kind:**

Capella Class: Finley **Capella Class: Aamirah**

Vega Class: Luca **Vega Class: Francesca**

Arcturus Class: Honey **Arcturus Class: Henry**

Rigil Class: Robert **Rigil Class: Kaison**

Canopus Class: Nolan **Canopus Class: Harrison**

Sirius Class: Rosie **Sirius Class: Tommy**

Well done to Vega Class for winning the Attendance Award this week with 98.75 Keep it up!



IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 5th May - Bank holiday - school closed

Thursday 8th May - VE Day - come dressed in red, white or blue

W/c 12th May - KS2 SATs - Y6 to arrive by 8:15am for special breakfast

Wednesday 21st May - Year 1 Phonics Carousel - join your child for an afternoon of phonics activities. From 2:45pm

Thursday 22nd May - Games Night for children. EY/KS1 @2pm / KS2 @ 3:20pm

Friday 23rd May - Parent and child craft event - come and create something seasonal with your child.

Mon 26th-Fri 30th May - Half Term

CLASSROOM HIGHLIGHTS

CLASS CAPELLA



What a glorious week we have had, we have thoroughly enjoyed the sunny weather and spending time outside.



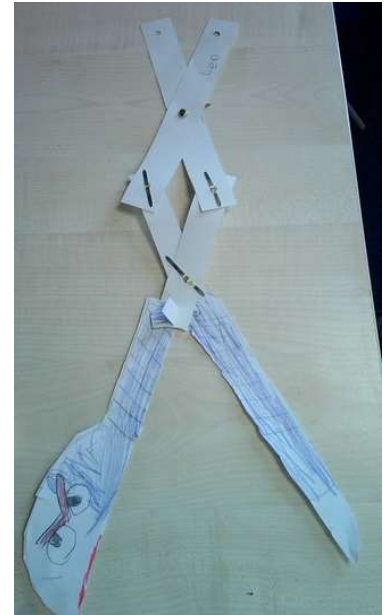
CLASS VEGA

We are starting our new History topic learning all about toys past and present. We enjoyed bringing in our own toys to share with our friends.



CLASS ARCTURUS

This week in Arcturus, we have been using linkages and pivots to create a moving monster. Scary!



CLASS RIGIL

In PE, Rigil followed a map around a cone course. Then they worked as a group to create their own map to challenge another team with directions and actions at each coloured cone.



CLASS CANOPUS

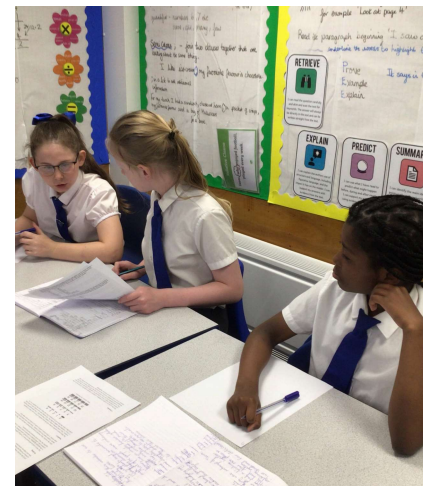
Have been getting thoroughly stuck in during their grow to school lessons



CLASS SIRIUS

Year 6 researched the Maya civilisation and found out facts about certain aspects of their civilisation and culture.

Each group had a certain theme such as government, architecture or art. We are going to present our research to the whole class.





ROAD SAFETY - EARLY YEARS

The children have had a very exciting week. Two officers from West Yorkshire Police have been in to teach us all about the Green Cross Code.

The officers started by teaching us all about how to keep safe when we are out and about, how it is so important not to play on roads and also about how the Police in our local community are here to help us and keep us safe.

We then all had the opportunity to cross a road safely. We stopped, we looked, and we listened.

The children have been brilliant and represented our school and local community so well.

The Police Officers then brought in some of their uniform and shared why they need all the things they have as well as letting us try on some of their equipment.





High Bank's Summer Dates

Thursday 8th May

VE Day - children can come dressed to school in red, white or blue and learn about the history of VE Day.

W/C 12th May

KS2 SATs week - you can do it Y6!

Wednesday 21st May

Y1 phonics carousel for parents - come and join your child for an afternoon of phonics activities. **From 2:45pm**

Thursday 22nd May

Games Night - children can join us for an exciting Games session - ticket info to follow.
EY/KS1 @2pm KS2 @3:20pm

Friday 23rd May

Parent and Child craft event - please join your child for a special planting craft event - details to follow.

Thursday 5th June

Sports Day
10am EY/KS1
2pm KS2

10-17th June

Scholastic book fair @ High Bank - come and grab a bargain book (or two!) and earn some money for our school.

Thursday 19th June

Music on a Summer's Afternoon Concert - for all the family. Children from Rec-Y6 will perform a medley of musical acts. **1:30pm**

Tuesday 8th July

KS2 end of year performance
10:00am and 4:30pm
Ticket details to follow.

Thursday 10th July

Provisional date: Rec- Y6 trip to The Great Yorkshire Show.

Friday 11th July

9:30am Year 6 Leaver's Assembly
Families of Y6 are invited to join us for a final farewell assembly.

Friday 11th July

Summer Farye
3:30-5:00pm - Games, raffle, donkeys, inflatables - a fun filled afternoon for all the family.