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*'Growing thoughtful learners and independent thinkers'*

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Dear Parents and Carers,

My first opportunity to address you as parents in the newsletter! I wanted to say a big thank you to many of you at the gate - at drop off and pick up - that have said good morning to me in my first few days as headteacher! I have absolutely loved my time so far and the children have been brilliant.

As a school, I think it is important to celebrate the children's successes as often as possible, and as a result, a new 'feature' is evident in this newsletter... an awards summary of the last two weeks! If your child has received a Star Pupil or Values certificate in the last fortnight, they will become even more famous by appearing in this newsletter!

I wanted to thank Miss Phina Izard, who is leaving our school today. Miss Izard has been our school business manager for the last few months and has done a fantastic job. I know the team will miss her very much and I wanted to thank her for helping me settle into my new role. Summerlea wishes her all the best for the future.

Also as this newsletter is fortnightly, I wanted to wish the year 6s good luck in their upcoming SATs tests in the week after next. I am sure that they have worked very hard and are fully ready to do their best. I know your teachers are very proud of you and from all of us at Summerlea... the best of luck!

### Two Fab Lads

Two of our students, brothers Ralph (Y1) and Oscar (Y6), are raising money for their Grandad and Dementia UK. The boys are planning to cycle 100 miles in 100 days.

If you would like to find out more or donate, please follow the link:

[www.justgiving.com/page/oscaralphcycle100](http://www.justgiving.com/page/oscaralphcycle100)

### Hot School Meals – Cut off dates

We have attached a list of order cut off dates for the remainder of the term. Please ensure to order your meals by 11:59 each Thursday for the week indicated *at the latest*, although you are able to order up to 10 weeks in advance. If you have not completed your order by this date, we cannot guarantee there will be a hot meal available for your child. **This applies for all Free school meals, Universal free meals, and paid meals.**



## King's Coronation - Thursday May 4th

As you know, the children have voted for how they would like to celebrate the King's coronation in school. On the 4th of May we are asking all children to come to school either wearing red, white and blue or dressed appropriately 'royally'.



The children also voted for a picnic on the field. This will be after lunch and we ask that children bring the following items:

- A slice of cake or a couple of biscuits
- A cup (no glass please)
- Something waterproof to sit on (could be a carrier bag)

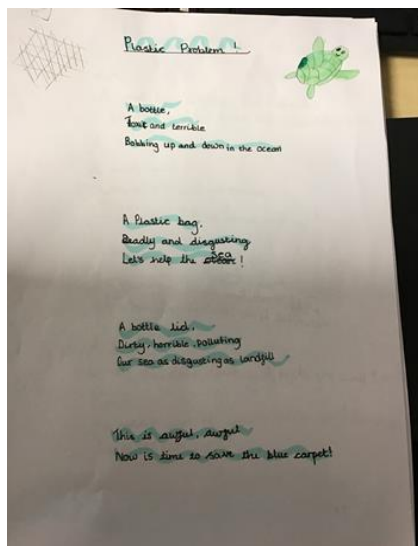
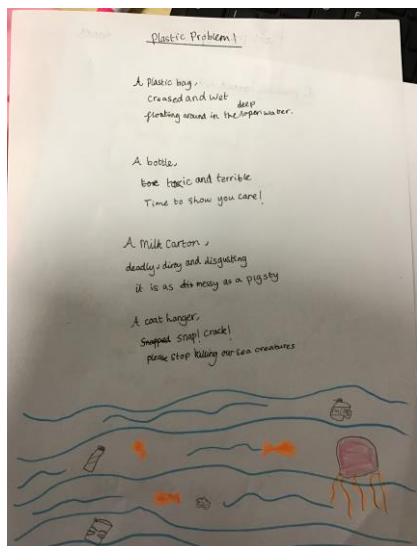
Please don't forget the art competition too! Please see Class Dojo for further details.

## Crossing Patrol

Many of you will know our lovely crossing patrol lady, Joan. Joan stands in all winds and weathers on Worthing Road helping our families cross safely. She knows so many of you well and is a very valued member of our community. West Sussex contacted us recently to let us know that Joan has been in this role for 10 years in May! We would like to take this opportunity to thank Joan for the incredible job she does and if you see her, we know she would appreciate a thank you from you too!

## It's Rubbish!

Year 5 began the summer term with a very exciting immersion day all about plastic pollution. The children arrived to find the classroom covered in plastic waste! They spent the morning discovering the facts and the scale of the problem and used it to inspire some poetry.





## Safeguarding

We regularly share guidance with parents about age restrictions for social media. It is good to see that Instagram is planning to take further measures to ensure users are the age that they say they are. It will be interesting to see what actions other platforms take too.

In June 2022 Instagram announced they were introducing new age verification technology to select countries, slowly expanding worldwide. This new technology is [Yoti](#).

- You will need to prove your age if you are signing up for a new account.
- You will need to prove your age if you attempt to change your date of birth to appear over 18.

## EBSA - Emotionally Based School Avoidance

We know that many children and young people worry about school, which is normal. Sometimes their worries may increase to the extent that they have difficulties with engaging or attending parts of the school day or are experiencing challenges to attend school. This is sometimes referred to as Emotionally Based School Avoidance (EBSA).

West Sussex County Council have produced a survey for parents and carers who have experienced or are experiencing worries about and/or difficulties going to school. Please see follow the link below. The closing date is 8th May. [Survey for parents/carers](#)

Enjoy the bank holiday weekend.

Mr J Todd  
Headteacher



## Summerlea

**Weeks Ending:**

### Star Pupils

<b>Maple:</b> Ruby G & Roscoe R	<b>Elm:</b> Stanley JB & Abbey R
<b>Willow:</b> Mariam K & Leo B	<b>Beech:</b> Blake W & Thomas H
<b>Holly:</b> Frazier B & Lily K-M	<b>Cherry:</b> Leon Q & Joseph H-G
<b>Oak:</b> Aaron N & George P	<b>Elder:</b> Sofia W & Lily T-S
<b>Hawth:</b> Corben B & Jensen B	<b>Syc:</b> Mollie T & Lily O
<b>Cedar:</b> Emily D & Theodore L	<b>Rowan:</b> Amber J & Luke D
<b>Redw:</b> Jenson W & Katie B	<b>Aspen:</b> Lyle S & Lily-Anna B
<b>Chesn:</b> Bailey B & Daisy B-M	



## Superstars

**21st & 28th April**

### Values Awards

<b>Maple:</b> Ivy C & Sully B-W	<b>Elm:</b> Amelia N & Thomas C
<b>Willow:</b> David & Taylor B	<b>Beech:</b> Josh M & Jessica W
<b>Holly:</b> Lola C & Llara S-C	<b>Cherry:</b> Mason G & Felix G
<b>Oak:</b> George M & Eliza W	<b>Elder:</b> Haider H & Dasha K
<b>Hawth:</b> Rupert P & Baxter S	<b>Syc:</b> Georgie C & Isabel H
<b>Cedar:</b> Penny C & Charlotte H	<b>Rowan:</b> Chloe N & Evie S
<b>Redw:</b> Arjun S & Nico L	<b>Aspen:</b> Stephen P & Jack P
<b>Chesn:</b> Anastasia G & Freya B	