

I can't believe this week has been the last full week of the academic year! Next week we are only in school for 4 days and at the end of Thursday we will be saying goodbye to the children for the summer break. I am sure that everyone welcomed the news from the Government this week. They stated that in September when children return to school things can return to a sense of normality and there will be no more 'bubbles' or 'bubble closures'. I can promise you that no one was happier to receive this news than me. Covid-19 has robbed the children of too much school time over the last two years and it is so important that they are allowed to complete the next academic year without interruption. Over the summer, I will be reviewing our plans and risk assessment for September, although this will obviously be more relaxed. The staff cannot wait to see the return of many things we have not been able to do such as parent workshops, assemblies, trips, a full range of clubs, school counsel etc. Unfortunately however, until July 19th, 'bubble closures' do have to continue and so it is vital that children who are unwell do not attend school as the last thing anyone wants at the start of the summer holidays is a 10 day period of self-isolation.



TUESDAY 13th JULY – EYFS Festival Day & 'Fun Day' for a number of year groups (a separate letter has been sent out about this).

TUESDAY 13th JULY – Year 6 LEAVERS DISCO 6pm to 8pm – in school

THURSDAY 15th JULY – Year 6 LEAVERS MASS at 9:30am – in Church

THURSDAY 15th JULY – Year 6 LEAVERS ice cream with parents at 2pm - playground

THURSDAY 15th JULY – School closes to pupils for the summer holidays



Congratulations to the Year 4 children who celebrated their First Holy Communion on Saturday. It was a very special occasion, and it was wonderful that we were able to celebrate this delayed event together at last!

Well done to Nursery for the best attendance this week!

F1 – 99.3% F2 – 99.1%
Y1 – 99.0% Y2 – 94.7%
Y3 – 92.9%
Y4 – 96.4%
Y5 – 81.3%



There have been some very important letters sent home this week with your child so please make sure you have seen and read them. On Wednesday, if your child was in school, they will have received their annual report. We hope you have enjoyed reading this and we ask that you please return the comment slip or send teachers a SEESAW message, so they know you have received it.

On Thursday, children came home with the letter about their new class teacher for September 2021.

Unfortunately, the current restrictions in place with 'bubbles' have made transition events impossible.

However, teachers have completed thorough transition meetings with each other and the first day in September will be a settling in and "getting to know you" day.

NURSERY PLACES - If you know anyone with young children aged 3 and looking for Nursery provision, we have spaces available for the Autumn Term. We can offer **15 FREE** hours or **30 hour places**. Please contact the school office for more details.



Our school value for JULY is COURAGE - This is a lovely value to end the year on because we know the children have had to show so much courage and positivity in the face of all the challenges they have endured over the last 18 months. This generation of children will never forget the impact of Covid on their lives and time in school. We are so proud of how they have overcome all the difficulties they have had to face including time away from school, their teachers and friends, not being able to enjoy the many activities they love, not being able to see their extended families and enjoy trips out that previously we all took for granted. We are hoping and praying that the next academic year will be a much happier one for us all!



Related words: audacity, determination, bravery, daring, fearlessness, tenacity, grit, fortitude

Courage is being brave, facing your fears & keeping going no matter what.

What does courage look like? People who show courage:

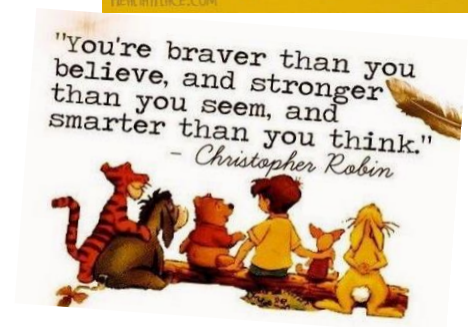
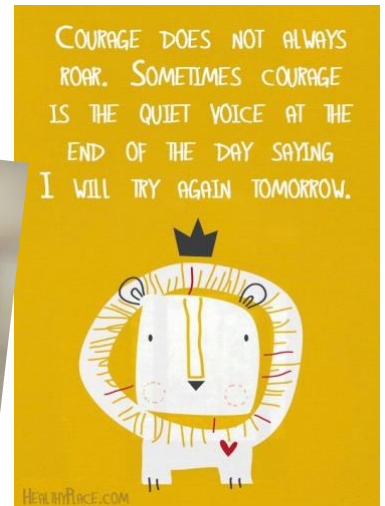
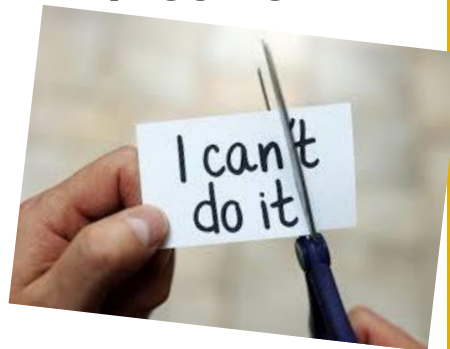
- Face their fears.
- Keep going even when they feel afraid and are brave.

People who show courage realise:

- That it's okay to feel afraid.
- Being courageous means having fears that you overcome.
- You need determination to face your fears.

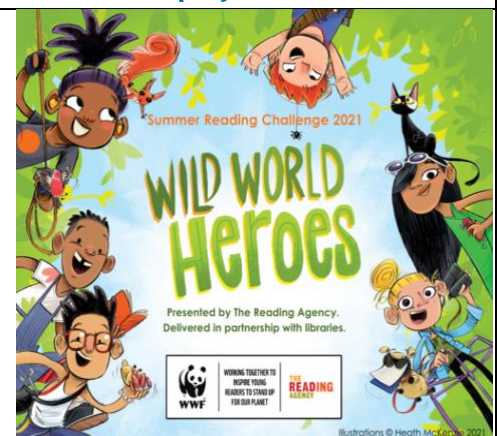
People show courage by:

- Being brave and facing their fears.
- Having the determination to keep going even when they are afraid.
- Recognising they feel afraid and carrying on regardless.



Thank you to Year 1 and 5 who together have created our whole school value display for COURAGE.

The **Summer Reading Challenge** encourages children to enjoy the benefits of reading for pleasure over the summer holidays. Each year the Challenge motivates over 700,000 children to keep reading to build their skills and confidence. This year's Summer Reading Challenge theme is **Wild World Heroes**, which will inspire children to explore ways of helping to save the planet, with a focus on taking action for nature and tackling real-world environmental issues, from plastic pollution and deforestation to wildlife decline and nature loss. Through taking part in the Challenge, children will be able to join the Wild World Heroes to help solve some of these threats and learning about the importance of the environment. The Challenge will launch in libraries on Saturday 10 July. Children can also join in the fun online on the official Challenge website.



Please stay safe everyone and enjoy your weekend. Mrs Ralph