

*Newsletter #16  
21st January 2022*

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you all had a good week in spite of the chilly frosty mornings. Well there is still more cold weather to come I believe. At least it is getting lighter in the mornings and evenings now.

We started the week learning about Martin Luther King Jr. The children learnt about how he fought for justice and equality without using violence. The children also heard a little bit from his famous, 'I have a dream' speech. The message for us all is that we **should** and **must** talk up for what is right and fair but we must do it in a civil, non-violent or threatening way. Please share this again with your children as it is a powerful message for children and adults alike.

As you are aware, our clubs will commence again next week. We are so pleased that the children are signing up and taking part in the extra-curricular activities planned for them. Our Breakfast Club is growing steadily too. The children love it and are enjoying it and it is wonderful to see them enjoying their breakfast and socialising too. We still have spaces so please enquire at the office if you are interested.

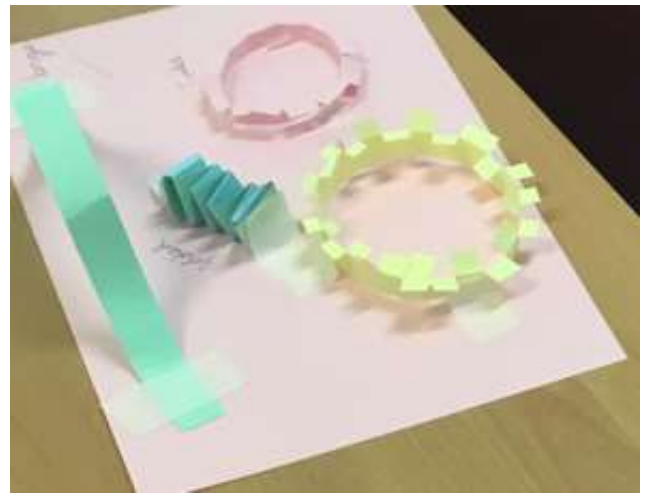
I am immensely proud of all the children who represent our school or themselves in sports fixtures outside of school. The children love it and have such a lovely positive attitude irrespective of whether they win or lose. Thanks to Mr Wretham and Mr Stepney who brave all weathers to ensure that the children get the exposure they need! Please see the last page for the DAPA Sports round up.

Have a lovely weekend everyone  
Mrs Powys

**NOTE FROM THE CHAIR OF THE LOCAL BOARD**

I had the pleasure of visiting our breakfast club this week and I am so glad I did! I chatted with the children who were enjoying a hearty breakfast, they were delighted to tell me that they eat well at school and love being surrounded by their friends. There were toys and activities laid out but they were all so happy talking to each other and laughing that none of them left the table! It was really great to see and if you are considering sending your child I would definitely check it out!

Clare Hoggan



Year 3 have been busy getting practical this week! In preparation for creating our Ancient Egyptian Death Masks in Art and Design, we explored constructing our own paper sculptures. We had to think carefully about techniques and how to join our pieces. After learning about the qualities of opaque, translucent and transparent materials, we looked scientifically to test which would be best for creating sunglasses. This is part of our learning about, 'Light and Dark'.



Earlier this week Wiltshire Class had a splendid time baking jam drop biscuits! These biscuits were the type that artic explorers used to have as part of their rations. Following the recipe, the children got to do *everything* to do with baking the biscuits, from carefully measuring the ingredients to carefully combining them to mixing! They were very proud of their creations. Next mission is a taste test!





## **CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY**

### **HERE ARE OUR STARS OF THE WEEK**

**Well done everyone!!**

#### **KS1**

Kandinsky -	Abdulkarim
Klimt -	Jacob
Van Gogh -	Layan
Cezanne -	Ryan
Mackintosh -	Eric
Matisse -	Lexi & Liz
Gardner -	Ralph

#### **KS2**

O'Keeffe -	Isla
Turner -	Simona
Monet -	Cacey
Miro -	Charlie
Picasso -	Charlotte
Dali -	Isabel
Hockney -	Izabelle
Escher -	Wendell
Wiltshire -	Oliver

There has been some cases of Head lice in the school. Please can you see the attached paper on how to treat this. If you are in any doubt, please speak to your local Pharmacist.



### Sports update

Another very busy sporty week at DAPA this week! Last Friday our Year 6 mixed basketball team were over at Holy Trinity for a very competitive tournament and put in an outstanding team display, picking up some great wins.

Our Year 5 and 6 netballers were in action last night at TBCC. Our netballers showed some great skills and it was lovely to see their confidence improve each game as they scored some wonderful goals and picked up some big wins! Well done to both teams! Next week our Year 4s are heading over to K2 for cricket, in their first competition of the year. Good luck Year 4!

### Basketball report – by Ray and Gabby

On Friday 14<sup>th</sup> January, we went to Holy Trinity School to compete against other schools in a basketball tournament. First we played against Seymour and the score ended 2-2. In our second game, we played Three Bridges and although we lost our attacking play was really good. Against Waterfield, we were unlucky again as we had a lot of shots but they weren't going in. Our final game was our best game as we beat St Andrew's. Our attack was really good again and our defence was superb with lots of blocks and rebounds.

Please see the link below if you are interested in getting involved in basketball outside of school <https://stormbasketballclub.com/training-times/>



### Netball report - by Lola

Yesterday, we went to TBCC to netball. It was a Y5 and 6 tournament and we won 2 of our games. We played well at first we got even better as we went on. The most important thing is we all had fun. We really stepped up our game after losing to Gatwick School. Charlotte was one of our best players. She scored our last goal and in a game we won 3-1. Harvey (who scored 3 goals in total) and I scored the other goals. Overall, every player really helped the team and showed how much they improved. Well done!



Finally, it's always really lovely to hear about all the sport that goes on outside of school. This week I've heard all about dance, shooting and football in local clubs and I love how passionate you all are about your sports! Good luck to Jake in Miro class who has a football trial for Crystal Palace this weekend!

We know you'll be amazing Jake!



# LET GIRLS PLAY



## GIRLS ONLY FOOTBALL SESSION LAUNCHING 7TH FEB 2022

AGE GROUPS:  
- School years 4-6  
(alternate weeks, starting 7th Feb)

- School years 7-9  
(alternative weeks, starting 14th Feb)

### FREE!

**MONDAYS**  
**3:45-4:45PM**  
**K2 CRAWLEY**  
**SPORTS HALL**

Sessions are fully supervised by a female coach with all equipment provided.  
For more info or to book a place please contact  
[daviddowney@everyoneactive.com](mailto:daviddowney@everyoneactive.com)

## **YOUR LOCAL BOARD NEEDS YOU**

The Local Board is looking for enthusiastic members who are interested in supporting the academy. There are no specific skills required for this voluntary post which supports the strategic direction of the Academy and provides challenge to the Principal and Senior Leadership Team as well as the Trust.

For more info: Watch a short video on what a Local Board in UoBAT does here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=geAyCRVjm5M>

More information and an expression of interest form can be found here: <https://www.brightonacademiustrust.org.uk/our-trust/join-our-local-board>

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2022**

(Subject to change)

<b>Term 3</b> (7 weeks)	<b>January 2022</b> Monday 24th January	Afterschool Clubs start
	<b>Feb 2022</b> Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> February 21 <sup>st</sup> Feb – 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Break up from School - Feb Half Term (normal time) INSET DAY Half-term
<b>Term 4</b> (6 weeks)	Monday 28th February	<u>Term 4 Starts (Spring Term) - Back to school</u>
	<b>Apr 2022</b> Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> April 11th Apr - 22 <sup>nd</sup> Apr	Break Up from school at <b>1.30 pm</b> for Easter Holidays Easter Holidays
<b>Term 5</b> (5 weeks)	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> April Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> April	Inset Day (School is closed) <u>Term 5 starts (Summer Term) - Back to School</u>
	<b>May 2022</b> Monday 2nd May Friday 27th May 30 <sup>th</sup> May – 3 <sup>rd</sup> June Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Bank Holiday – School closed Break up from school – normal time May Half term Spring Bank Holiday Additional Bank Holiday HM The Queen Platinum Jubilee
<b>Term 6</b> (7 weeks)	<b>June 2022</b> Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	<u>Term 6 starts (Summer Term) - Back to school</u>
<b>July 2022</b>	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Break up from School at <b>1.30 pm</b>

## **Communication with Staff**

If you would like to request a meeting or communication with a staff member, you can call the school office on 01293 525596 or alternatively fill in our [Contact Form](#) and a member of staff will get back to you ASAP. Thank you for your understanding during these changes.

Please find the contact form here: [DAPA Staff contact request](#)



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