

## Padbury CE School Newsletter Summer Term 2024

Issue 2

24<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Our value this half term is 'Trust'  
'When I am afraid, I put my trust in You.' Psalm 84:12

### Waddesdon Visit -Beech Class



Beech class had a great time last week at Waddesdon Manor. The weather was great and the children all enjoyed learning about lifecycles and making mini bug hotels. Well done Beech class.

### Urban Strides

Reece, an Urban Strider, worked with all the children in the school last Friday. Not only did they learn some great moves but there was also a very clear message about believing in yourself and how to succeed in everything you do in life. Reece shared an acronym with all the children. This was **FACE: Focus, Action, Confidence, Energy**. With all these four things in place, he was clear to children that anything can be achieved. This sits nicely with us all shining our lights to be the best that we can be. We will be using this acronym at school moving forwards to help children see the value of achieving what they want to, whatever that may be.

### Bikeability

Sycamore class made us very proud last week as they demonstrated to the tutors leading the Bikeability course how polite and well-mannered they are as well as well as focused on achieving. All the children who took part achieved level 1 or level 2 and by the end of the week, all were a lot more confident on their bikes than they were at the beginning.



### Allotment

Please can anyone with any time come and help us get on top of our allotment again! We have had the grass strimmed but more is needed to get it back under control. If anyone has any time, please let me know.

### **Forest School – Maple and Beech Class**

The timetable is below for Forest school. You will see we have now split yr1 and yr2 children, so each group gets longer in the woods. As ever, things may need to change as we move through the term, and we will let you know as and when this happens. Please make sure children come to school in warm enough clothing on the day that they go and with summer heat approaching, sun hats and sun cream too!

Date	Class	Date	Class
		5.6.24	Beech -Yr1
24.4.24	Beech – Yr2	12.6.24	Beech -Yr2
1.5.24	Maple	19.6.24	Maple
8.5.24	Beech – Yr1	26.6.24	Beech – Yr1
15.5.24	Beech -Yr2	3.7.24	Beech -Yr2
22.5.24	Maple	10.7.24	Maple

**Next Tuesday (23<sup>rd</sup> April) – No KS1 Sports Club but the children can join AAB club and be collected at the normal time.**

### **Batteries**

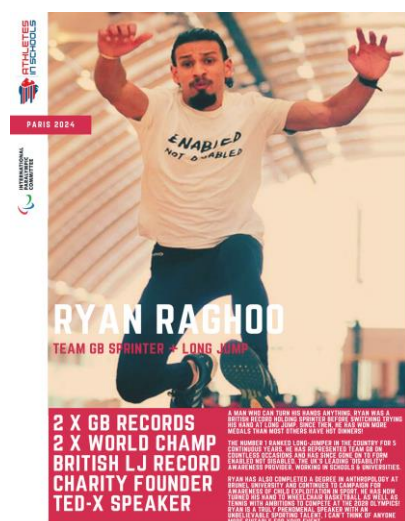
Please remember to send in any used batteries. We are currently in 34<sup>th</sup> place which for a small school is amazing.

### **Whitemoor Lakes and Secondary school transfer**

On 30<sup>th</sup> April at 3:30pm Mrs Barker and I will be holding a meeting with Sycamore parents to give more information about the residential visit in July. We will send out the PPT presentation from Whitemoor Lakes for those who are not able to attend after the meeting. Once that meeting is finished, we will be holding a meeting for yr5 parents on the Secondary School Transfer Test (11+) and how to apply for secondary school places in October 2024. It would be good to have as many parents there from yr5 as possible, but I can send out the PPT presentation from County following the meeting for those unable to attend.

### **Paralympian Visit**

Last year we had a very successful visit from Aidan Syers, an Olympian who truly inspired all of the children to get up and have a go at anything. This year, I am pleased to be able to tell you that we will have a Paralympian in school to work with the children. The gentleman visiting is Ryan Raghoo, a sprinter and long jumper. I'm sure all the children will get a lot out of listening to him and working with him. This is a free event, paid for from our sports premium money given by the government to help increase children's interests in sports.



## **Diary Dates**

Please find below a table of events for the Summer Term. I hope you find these useful. There may need to be changes of dates as we move through the term but hopefully, where we can, these dates will remain.

### **Calendar of Events Summer Term 2024**

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Information</b>
<b>April</b>		
Swimming starts	24th	Oak class -yr3 and yr4 pupils (10 weeks)
Sycamore Parents meeting	30th	Whitemoor Lakes and Secondary Transfer Test 3:30pm
<b>May</b>		
Bank holiday	6 <sup>th</sup>	No one in school
Paralympian visit	10th	All children to have a session with a Paralympian and be inspired. Free.
SATS week	13-16 <sup>th</sup>	Yr6 children only
Quidditch	17th	Whole School -learning a new game!
Eco Summit -ODBST	22nd	2 Eco Council members to represent school at the summit.
<b>June</b>		
INSET	3rd	No children in school
Vision Screening School Nurses	11th	Reception children (Maple class)
Father's Day	14th	Beech and Maple children -2:15pm
Sycamore Class Performance	26 <sup>th</sup>	2pm start. Doors open at 1:14pm Sycamore parents and families welcome
<b>July</b>		
Padbury Friendly Afternoon	10th	Sycamore to entertain group at school
Reports to Parents	4th	All children
Sports Day/Family picnic	5th	Hopefully on Springfields for Sports Day, school field for picnic.
Whitemoor Lakes Residential	15th,16th 17th	Sycamore class
End of Term Service	22nd	2pm at church 2pm at the Church
Yr6 Stay and Play	22nd	Photos etc for Yr6 families for yr6 pupils in school after the church
End of Term	23rd	1:30pm

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