

# The Pochin School



Newsletter 12<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Dear Parents, Governors and Friends,

It has been an extremely busy week. With only 4 days in school this week the children have really accomplished so much. Our year 6 pupils took their SATs tests and tried their best. They enjoyed a lovely breakfast every morning with Mrs Southwell and celebrated with receiving their leavers hoodies and walking to Roots Farm to have a treat.

Preschool have spent much of the week in the garden enjoying the outdoors, learning and creative play.

Class 1 have been enjoying discovering outdoor play and the art of looking for mini beasts. I enjoyed having a lovely time being shown all the mini beasts they found outside and the children were fascinated and took great pride in showing these to me under the magnifying glass.





Class 2's Science experiment of growing beans and what the best conditioners are for them has gone so well that these will soon be planted by the children in their garden plot.

Class 3 have really enjoyed Kwik Cricket outside this week. Hopefully the weather will stay good for the rest of the term and they can continue to grow in skills and confidence in the game.

Class 4 have been mixing Music, Geography and English together as they have been looking at ballads relating to mountains and valleys and looking for their true meaning and symbolism behind the words and musical make up. I think I will be singing 'There ain't no mountain high enough' for the rest of the week!

#### Reading Book Competition

Please see below for the details of an exciting new Reading Book Competition that all children have been introduced to today!

#### Kings Charles III Cake competition

We had amazing cakes entered in for the competition and it was really hard to pick a winner. We hope families and children enjoyed making them together. We certainly have some budding cake artists in our school. Well done to all the winders and runner ups!



#### Head Teacher Awards

The following children have worked extremely hard and this has been celebrated by the pupils receiving awards in front of their peers.

Autumn, Ishaani, Ava S, Evelyn, Alysia

#### Diary Dates

#### May

15<sup>th</sup> - Year 6 Adventure Activity Day 19<sup>th</sup> - National Endangered Species Day, Class 3 fundraising activity 26<sup>th</sup> - Class 4 Fundraising Day

29<sup>th</sup> - 2<sup>nd</sup> June - May Half term
June

5-6<sup>th</sup> - Year 6 Sports and Challenge Days 6<sup>th</sup> - Governors meeting 4:30pm 8<sup>th</sup> - New EYFS Parents Meeting 6pm 22<sup>nd</sup> Leavers Disco

27<sup>th</sup> - Sports Day 29<sup>th</sup> - Reserve Sports Day

July

4th - Class 4 and 5 Play 2pm and 6pm

Attendance Matters - Our attendance target is 97% Our attendance for the week beginning 1st May: 97.2% Winning class from last week was Class 1 with 99%. Well

Thank you for helping your children get to school when they are able

#### Cultures Celebrated within our School

Language of the Month - Portuguese British Value of the Month - Individual Liberty

Pochin Value of the Term - Kindness

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#### Next week School Dinners 2 main choices with sides, bread and dessert

Mon- Mac & Cheese with vegetables of the day

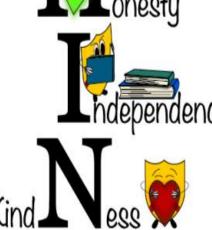
Tue - Chicken Curry with rice / Vegetable Wellington & new potatoes

Wed - Chicken Pie with Roast Potatoes / Potato and Courgette Layer Bake

Thur - TASTER MENU Hot Dogs/ Vegetarian Hot Dogs and Chips

Fri - Fishcakes or Salmon Fingers / Veggie Fingers

Jacket potatoes available, (please email the office by 9am Tuesday to order for the week ahead)



## **Read for Pleasure Book Competition**

As a school we have purchased over £2000 worth of new books this term for our new 'Reading for Pleasure scheme'. These books will be used in class and also the children can take these books home to read.

We are inviting the children to come up with a theme or design and name for the scheme and then 9 subcategories.

### Here are some examples



It's sweet to read!
Subcategories:
Twirl, Twix, M&Ms



Go wild for reading!
Subcategories:
Lion, Tiger, Snake



Reading is out of this world!
Subcategories:
Mars, Venus, Pluto

**Deadline:** Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Format: Draw or email to the office

Rules: 9 Groups and a slogan

Prize: A BOOK OF YOUR CHOICE!