



PEAR TREE SCHOOL

NEWTLETTER

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Residential Visit to Tattenhall

As I write a very tired but smiley Year 4 are busy producing presentations about their adventures at Tattenhall and Year 6 are tackling rope climbing and zip wires in the sun. The children were truly fantastic and it was a privilege to see how they grew over the three days. Leaving home after the past two years was a challenge for some and we are, rightly, proud of them all for pushing themselves, trying new things and developing those vital life skills of resilience, team work and independence. Huge thanks to the staff who voluntarily attend such events. I know we started one day at 5.30a.m. and I believe this morning began at 4.30a.m.! I am hoping that means a solid night's sleep tonight when I return to join in with Year six's fun! I am definitely of the opinion I just may be too old for residential visits!

Assessments

We are also extremely proud of the Year 6 and Year 2 pupils who have, since the last Newtletter, undertaken their SAT assessments. Again after the COVID challenges this was a lot to ask of them and they have given their very best and that is all we ever expect.

Jubilee Celebrations

Our jubilee party is nearly here and the bunting is being hung! Just a reminder our party will be all afternoon next Thursday, May 26th.

Thanks to all those who have supported our collection toward party costs, buckets are still out if you missed them initially.

Red, white and blue is the theme of the day so if your child would like to wear items in any or all of those colours they are most welcome. School will finish at the usual time on Thursday but please be patient if we are not quite ready as we have lots planned in two hours, from picnics to tree planting, national anthem singing and 1950s yard games.

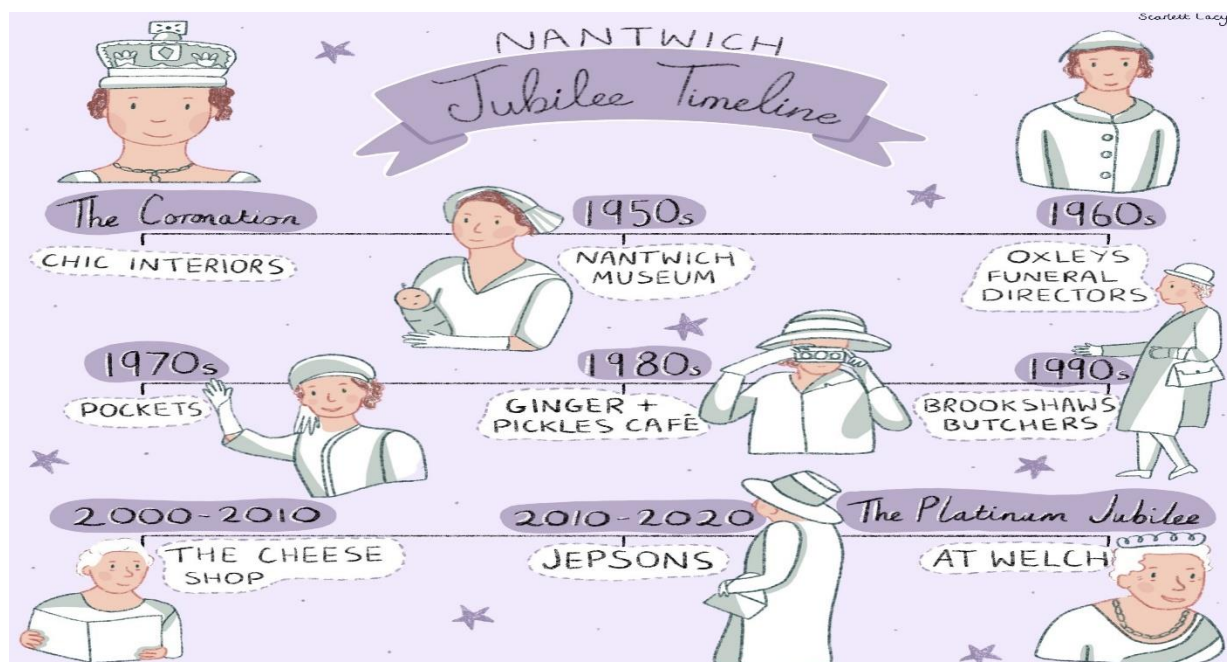
Thanks also to Chatwins for donating 250 of their gingerbread men for the children to 'dress' in red white and blue ahead of our party!

There has been a tremendous response to our Governor's cake competition too and they are now busy looking at the wonderful drawings of a cake 'Fit for the Queen'. Winner and prizes will be announced next Thursday.

Lunch will be served in jubilee picnic boxes and will contain: ham, cheese or tuna sandwich, vegetarian sausage roll, pizza slice, vegetable sticks, crisps, cake and juice. Children will have the opportunity to order in the morning or they can bring a packed lunch from home.

Walking Jubilee Timeline in Town.

Don't forget the walking timeline which runs for three weeks from next Monday. 18 of our local schools have contributed art works to commemorate the different decades of the Queen's reign and it promises to be a lovely creative celebration of this once in a life time event. We have the 1960s as our decade so look out for Andy Warhol inspired prints with a royal theme!



Nuts!

A regular reminder but still vital. Please do NOT send any form of nuts into school. We have children with allergies who must not come into contact with nuts in any form, this could cause them a potentially life threatening reaction so we must remain a nut-free school.

Take care to check, many cereal bars and pesto contains nuts.

Free School Meals

With the increasing cost of living hitting everyone you may be eligible for free school meals. This not only brings in additional funds to school, which we use to support additional learning opportunities, subsidise trips and other enrichment costs but it also allows you to access many other benefits at the moment including; food vouchers for over the holidays, activity clubs and fuel grants. It may well be worth checking if you may claim. Follow this link to see if you are eligible: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Your child may also get free school meals if you get any of these benefits and your child is both:

- younger than the compulsory age for starting school
- in full-time education

If your child is eligible for free school meals, they'll remain eligible until they finish the phase of schooling (primary or secondary) they're in on 31 March 2023.

School Library News

From Friday 10th June, we are delighted to reopen our school library to parents, grandparents and guardians. From 2.45pm, you will have the opportunity to see the resources the library has to offer, share a book with your child or select a book to take home.

This will run every Friday until the end of term.

There will also be an optional Queen's Jubilee Readathon to complete. More information on the day.

Any more details, please email sboughey@peartreeprimary.co.uk

We can't wait to welcome you back!

Sports Coaching Group

Will be running a holiday club again in May half term 30th, 31st May and 1st June 8am-5pm, please see attached flyer.

Kitchen Assistant

We have a vacancy for a kitchen assistant if you can spare an hour at lunchtime, no experience necessary. Please call the school office 01270 906120.

PTA News

Co-op Cause - please support Pear Tree School by nominating us - it takes 2 minutes. Your shopping will really help raise money for the PTA and go towards improving the outside area at school. Sign in to your Co-op account, select local causes and nominate Pear Tree PTA or use the attached QR code.

Please look out for the letter.

PTA Cook Book - we are really looking forward to receiving your recipes and producing the first ever PTA cook book. We need lots of your recipes - easy family meals, one pot dishes, ones the children can make and of course it wouldn't be complete without some cakes and puddings. Please can these be sent in by Monday 23rd May.

Foreign Coins - we are collecting any unwanted foreign coins that you may have left over - please send these into school

Please look out for letters in book bags about Father's Day Gifts and a Disco!

PTA meeting Sunday 22nd May 7.30pm at Cronkinson Farm pub. All welcome!

Email pta@peartreeprimary.co.uk

Pear Tree Sports

The year 3&4 football team went to Crewe Alex soccer centre last week and competed in a tournament with 15 other schools. Both teams finished top of their groups. A truly amazing effort from all 14 boys involved. They should be so proud of what they achieved, well done! And finally, a huge thank you to Mr Day who kindly took on the managing of one of the teams!

Look out for news on Gymnastics and Diamond cricket next week!

Dates for your diary

Tues 24th May – Red class to Blue Planet Aquarium

Thurs 26th May – Queen's Jubilee Playground party, wear red, white & blue.

Thurs 26th May – Break for half term. Return Tues 7th June

Wed 8th June – Yellow class to Beeston castle

Mon 13th & Tues 14th June – Violet class Bikeability

Mon 20th June – Town sports at Cumberland sports ground, Crewe

Wed 22nd June – Town sports Barony Park, Nantwich

Thurs 23rd June – Green class to Chester Zoo

Fri 24th June – Yellow class swimming for 4 weeks

Wed 29th & Thurs 30th June – Violet class to Brine Leas

Thurs 30th June – Move Up Day (Meet your new teacher)

Mon 4th & Tues 5th July – Violet class to Cheshire College

Thurs 7th July – Pop Up Uniform Shop

Fri 8th July – Sports day KS1 am and KS2 pm

Weds 13th July – Whole school Summer Show Case 1.45pm & 6pm – Parents welcome

Wed 20th July – Year 6 leavers assembly – 9.30am

Wed 20th July – Break for summer. Children return Monday 5th September