



## Danson Primary School Newsletter



### Head Teacher's Notice Board

Dear Children, Mums, Dads and Carers,

It has been a busy return for everyone since our return from the Easter break. Our term got into full swing with our Parents' Evenings. It was wonderful to see such huge numbers coming into school to discuss and celebrate the learning your child has been doing and their next steps this term. I would like to give a special mention to the Pupil Leadership Group and the House Captains, Teodor P, George H, Alara T, Amelia G, Sam S, Darcy E, Maria M, Archie B, Joe T-M, Ayla S and Elizabeth C, who were there to welcome our parents and children onto school site and did a great job with our lucky dip prize station. You were a credit to your parents and our Danson family.

### Centre of Financial Excellence- Workshops

On Tuesday the 28<sup>th</sup> March, our Nursery and Year 2 children were treated to workshops from Volunteers from the banking group HSBC. The children had a fantastic time learning about the value of coins and choices around spending. Thank you so much to Miss Jones for organising the workshops. Please see below more information about the sessions and future workshops.

### Life Education Workshops

The Coram Life Education & SCARF team visited Danson with their specially designed Life Space tent. Children in Years 1, 2 and 3 took part in some fun, interactive workshops which are designed to help them understand the importance of physical and emotional health and learn some vital life-skills. Thank you so much to Mrs Stephens for organising these workshops, the children thoroughly enjoyed the sessions and came away with so much information.

### Oak Assembly:

On Thursday we were treated to Oak's fantastic Assembly. The children shared their artwork, counting in doubles, and being scientists with their investigations of mixing baking soda and vinegar to see and record the reactions. The children were outstanding at performing their poem 'Pip the Dog' by Axel Scheffler, singing their days of the week and finishing off with a beautiful rendition of Disney's Moana 'How far I'll go'. The assembly finished with a compilation of photos showcasing the children's learning throughout the year. There wasn't a dry eye in the hall. Congratulations and well done to Oak class, Miss Tuffley and Miss Joshi.

### Sporting Update

It has been lovely to see the children back on the school field and enjoying their summer term of sports. Please see below our sports update. Thank you Mr Corley for continuing to ensure we keep our Platinum Games status.

### Coronation Celebrations

Despite the changeable weather and need to have our picnic indoors the children had a fun filled lunchtime filled with music and chatting in the assembly hall. Thank you to all the staff for supporting the children to have their picnic in a new space, with particular thanks to Mr Tupper, Miss Herdecka, Mr Wilson, Miss Jesney, Mrs Stephens, Mr Corley and Mrs Miller for getting our school hall coronation ready! Thank you to Mrs Foskett for supporting the children to create such beautiful art pieces this week. Please see below more information on our celebrations. On behalf of myself, Mrs Allen and the Danson team we would like to wish you a fantastic Coronation Bank Holiday Weekend.

*Mrs L Casey*



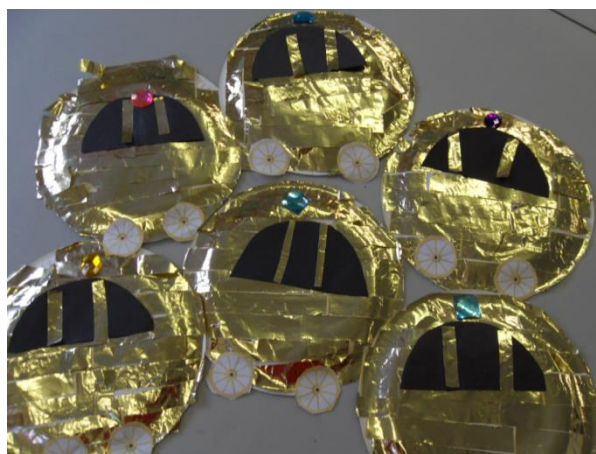
# **CORONATION ARTWORK CELEBRATIONS**



## **Year R - Crowns**



## **Year 1 - Golden Coronation Coaches**



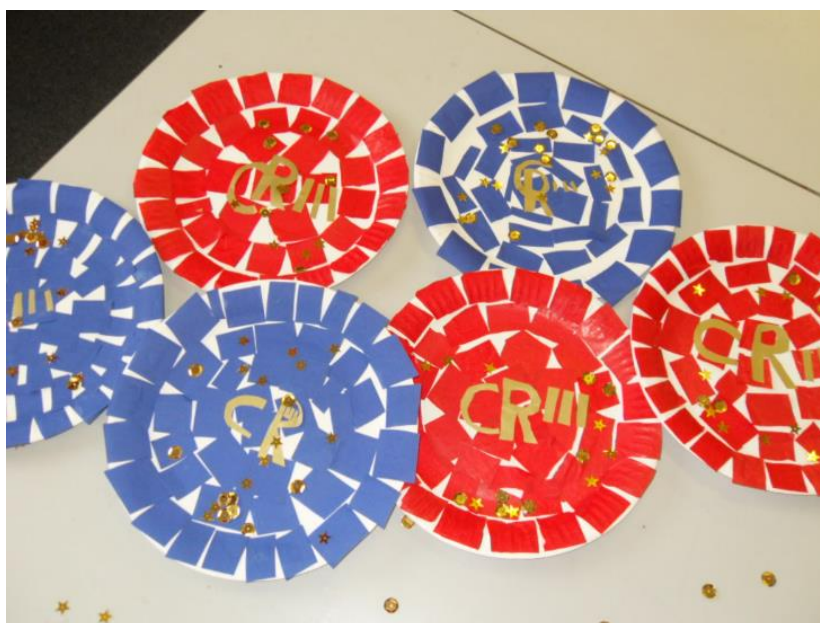
## **Year 2 - King Charles' love of nature**



### Year 3 - Showcasing King Charles' Image



### Year 4 - Mosaics in the style of Roman Shields





## Year 5 - Creating Celebratory Windsocks



## Year 6 - Photo Montages of King Charles III





# CORONATION CELEBRATIONS









On Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March, Nursery and Year 2 enjoyed a workshop led by volunteers from the banking group HSBC.

#### **Nursery: Treasure Hunt**

This session provided an exciting first foray into the world of money when exploring coins and their value.

#### **Year 2: Toy Time**

This workshop looked at the cost of buying toys and how long it would take to save up for a toy. During the session, Year 2 were able to recognise the choices they can make around spending and saving and how others may make different choices.

Throughout Summer Term 1, Years 4 and 5 will be taking part in a programme called 'Money Twist', led by a facilitator from a charity called My BNK. Year 4's first session looked at how and where money comes from, forms of payment and different bank accounts. In future sessions, they will cover making choices with money, understanding why people save, setting money goals and how setting positive money habits now will help in their future. For Year 5, session one raised their awareness of money habits, discussed the idea of delayed gratification (the act of resisting an impulse buy in the hope of saving for something more-valued in the future) and looked at strategies to resist temptation when spending. Future sessions this half term will explore choices made with money (considering the cost of living) as well as the benefits of saving, understanding interest and setting a future financial goal.

#### **Upcoming workshops**

On Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May and Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May, Reception and Year 1 will participate in a workshop led by volunteers from HSBC. In June and July, Years 3 and 6 will also take part in My BNK's Money Twist programme.

By the end of the academic year, all year groups across the school will have had the opportunity to develop their financial literacy in a workshop led by an external facilitator as well as through the embedding of financial education across the curriculum. This forms part of our continued commitment to developing children's confidence around money as learning about financial literacy from a young age will support our pupils to develop responsible money habits and attitudes for later in life.

Miss Jones  
Centre of Financial Excellence Lead



## Danson Sports Update



### Girls' Football

The girls football team have yet to play in their finals day at goals which is scheduled for the beginning of May and the whole school wishes them good luck in their final games of the season.

### Boys' Football

The boys football team recently competed in the BPSFA 5 a side competition. After finishing 3rd in the group the boys' final game ended in a 1-1 draw and a loss on a penalty shoot-out. The boys played their socks off and worked so hard as a team. Well done to Lennie B, Buddy P, Frankie H, Harry B, Cooper R, and Mason F for being such great sporting ambassadors for the school.

### Summer Sports

We now turn our attention to summer sporting activities which include a tennis tournament for year 4. Boys' and girls' tag rugby festivals and finally cricket for mixed and girls' teams. I look forward to updating you further on how the teams get on at a later date.

*Mr Corley*  
Sports Coach



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**Year 1** took part in a workshop all about 'My Wonderful Body'. They learnt about the major food groups and looked at an interactive body model to learn how food, water and oxygen get into the body to give it energy. They also looked at the Healthy Wheel and considered the different things we need to be happy and healthy.

**Year 2's** workshop explored the theme of 'Feelings'. They began by considering what their bodies need to stay physically and emotionally healthy using SCARF's Healthy and Wellbeing Wheel. Following this, they discussed the safe use of medicines and learnt about the body using an interactive body model. To end, they became 'Feelings Detectives' and looked at the importance of friendships.

**In Year 3**, the children took part in a workshop called 'Meet the Brain'. They explored the Wellbeing Wheel and referred to its five ways to emotional good health throughout the workshop. They considered how to ensure online behaviour was both healthy and balanced. Then, using interactive techniques, the children considered the importance of each body organ before meeting the classroom brain. They learnt how a brain sends and receives signals through nerves and how it controls movements.



Finally, Year 3 explored whether choices about taking a medicine, exercise, sleep, drinking alcohol and smoking cigarettes help or harm the body. The children, in all year groups, thoroughly enjoyed the workshops and came away with lots of information about how their body works and how to stay physically and emotionally healthy. The best bit was when we got to meet Harold the Giraffe at the end!



Mrs Stephens  
RSE and PHSE Lead



## Key Messages



### Attendance

This week we celebrated all the children from Year 4 who have the highest attendance this term of **96.22%**

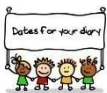
### Highest attendance this week

Congratulations to **Year 1** for having the best attendance of **96.78%** in EYFS and Key Stage 1 and to **Year 4** for having the best attendance of **97.19%** in Key Stage 2.

### Parking Notice

We are receiving increasing complaints from our residents and from parents regarding driving manoeuvres and parking in Dansington Lane and children being dropped off in traffic on Danson Lane. We would respectfully request that more consideration is taken and that children disembark from a parked car in a safe space.

## Dates for your diary



**11th May-Ash Class Assembly**

**18th May-Elm Class Assembly**

**8th May -King Charles III Coronation**

**9th May-12th May-Key Stage 2 Assessments**

**15th May-19th May-Key Stage 1 Assessments**

**26th May-Last day of half term**

**12th June-16th June-Year 1 Phonics Screening**

### Sports Week



**Tuesday 27th June-9.30am-11.00am- LKS2 (Yr 3/4)**

**Tuesday 27th June-1.30pm-3.00pm- UKS2 (Yr 5/6)**

**Wednesday 28th June-9.30am-11.00am-Reception**

**Wednesday 28th June-1.30pm-3.00pm- KS1 (Yr 1/2)**

**Thursday 29th June-9.30am-11.00am-Nursery**

### Uniform

**Polite reminder:** Children are not permitted to wear jewellery to school. Where ears have been pierced, only studs size 1-2mm round are allowed to be worn. Hooped earrings are not permitted.

Children can wear Summer uniform

School shorts are grey.

Green and White checked summer dresses-**Culottes are not permitted**

Skirts and pinafores are green.

Oversized bows in hair are not permitted.

Trainers are not permitted to be worn as a school shoe.

### Social Media

**If you have a query relating to your child's class, education or events happening within the school, please speak to the school directly rather than social media groups.**



**'Please think before you post'**

