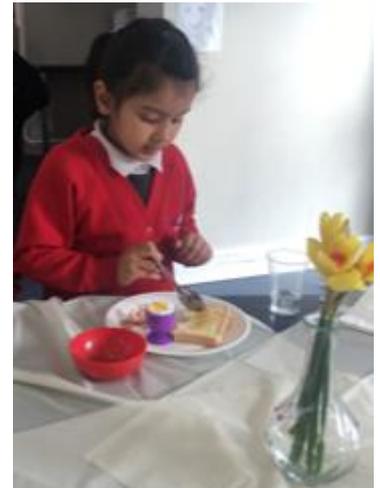


Newsletter April 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

Daffodil Breakfast

Just before we broke up for the Easter holidays Cuckoo Hall held its first ever Daffodil Breakfast to celebrate the beginning of Spring. This event was a huge success thanks to the support of the parents that supported throughout the morning and to all the staff that helped set up and clear away. The children loved sharing breakfast together and talking about the wonders of spring-time. Look out for this event in next year's calendar.



Easter School



Congratulations to all the year six children who attended and graduated from Easter school this year. This is another first for our school and something we hope to run in the coming years and to a wider number of pupils.

This year, 46 children came to school for an entire week of their holidays and worked very hard to further improve their skills and knowledge in reading, writing and maths.

The children thoroughly enjoyed hanging out in the staffroom and said that the time with teachers, in the small groups, really helped with their learning. A big thank you to all the teachers and members of the Senior Leadership Team who came in and delivered the additional learning sessions. Well done team - I'm very proud of you all.

Cuckoo Hall Curriculum

The Cuckoo Hall team were very busy during our recent inset day, working on establishing the new curriculum that will be delivered at Cuckoo Hall from September next year. The team worked hard to pull all areas of the National Curriculum together into exciting and engaging Learning Journeys (topics) which your children will be studying next year.

The team have also looked at the unique setting in which our school sits and have carefully considered what our children need in order to be happy and successful now and in the future. As a school we have agreed on four curriculum principles that underpin our work.

- Enquiry based learning
- Equality of opportunity
- Awe and wonder
- Sustainability

This Friday the creative work continues with the staff as we further explore sustainability and enquiry based learning and finalise next year's Learning Journeys.

In the new academic year, we will be holding a number of parent meetings to unpick our new curriculum and get your views as parents.

A big thank you to Jen Kyriacou, Parent Governor, who attended the training to get a better understanding of what we teach and how we teach it. Her input was greatly appreciated by all.



School Closed

Just a reminder that school is closed on Friday 3rd May for teacher training and again on Monday 6th May as it's a bank holiday. School reopens on Tuesday 4th May at the normal school time.

Kind Regards

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