

SCHOOL TRIPS

On this week's newsletter, there are some reports written by children about experiences they have had. We are always trying to provide exciting opportunities for the children to enhance their learning, so it is with huge regret and disappointment that we have to inform you that all of our trips that we had planned for this term are cancelled. This is in light of recent guidance and a change to the Local Authority's risk assessment which urges schools only to take on essential journeys. It also tells us that trips should be cancelled if there is an outbreak of Covid-19 in our school. It doesn't define "outbreak" but given that we have had 19 cases in four weeks, we don't feel there is any other sensible decision here. We are so disappointed, as you no doubt are too, but most of all, this is an enormous disappointment to our children - especially Year 6, who will not get this opportunity together again. We are pleased that the Year 6 inflatables afternoon and disco can go ahead because that doesn't involve travel and we can fully control who the children come into contact with. Thank you for all the money that has been sent in - you will, of course, get a full refund via School Money. We are so sorry!

BIRMINGHAM BEARS

On a lighter note, on the back of the newsletter there is information about a scheme encouraging you to buy discounted tickets to watch the Birmingham Bears cricket team at Edgbaston and make money for the school in the process. A great opportunity to try something different and see some high quality sport.

FOOTBALL

Speaking of high quality sport - we took part in some football tournaments this week. Haris and Adam describe the action:

On Tuesday, two Year 6 teams played a 7-a-side football tournament. The teams consisted of: Ashleigh, Liam, Dyantae, Aleks, Adam, Jakub, Zarai, Dyarno, Lewi, Dylan, Amrit, Yozarseef, Harris, Kairo, Asaiah and Jubran. Both teams won their starting games. Kairo scored a phenomenal goal which made it one nil. Approximately a minute later Haris scored the second goal of the game. After that there were no more goals but amazing defending. The whistle was blown after 8 tiring minutes which meant that we had successfully won the first game of the tournament. Altogether, the two teams won five matches, with one team winning all of theirs. The last game ended 4-0 to us beautiful passing and wonderful finishing from Jakub. We will now progress to the semi-finals. Both teams played well and came off the pitch with smiles on their faces.

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YEAR 5 VIRTUAL REALITY EXPERIENCE

Last week we had a Virtual Reality workshop which meant a visitor came in with goggles to take us to space! The VR span me into the solar system and we could see shooting stars! The sun, which is a star, looked huge as it was right next to me. I was mesmerized by the fact the earth has the fewest moons - did you know that? Saturn is a toxic gas ball. I didn't know that either. I learned so much! You could see the sunset and the moon. It took us around the solar system with the sun behind us and we had all the other planets around us. If you looked down, there were stars everywhere. It was beautiful! Under me was an everlasting void; I was a little bit scared of that. We had to name planets and whoever got the most points would choose a planet to walk on. We walked on the planets we also walked in them. It was great!

Arib and Renesmee, 5S

COMMONWEALTH GAMES

One more thing on high quality sport: It's tremendously exciting to have the Commonwealth Games heading our way. You can now enter a ballot for tickets - follow the link here: <u>https://www.birmingham2022.com/the-games/tickets/</u>

Tickets are being sold this summer, so do plan ahead and get in there while you can.

EQUALITY WEEK

Freya (6SA) and Harleen (6KA) have written about our week:

During equality week, we learnt a lot about different people who contributed to our global society. We looked at famous artists, singers, scientists and figures in history who came from different orientations. In VIPERS, we looked at the rapper 'Lil Nas' and his contributions to music. We also had a lot of fun making 'Top Trump' cards of famous scientists from all walks of life and learnt about how much their discoveries help us today. In PSHE, we spoke about different families and how there is no such thing as a 'normal' family. As long as people are loved and cared for, this is all you need to make a family.

DIARY DATES

Tue 13 July	Last swimming session for Year 6
Thu 15 July	Year 6 inflatables & disco
Tue 20 July	Last day of term
Wed 21 July	Teacher Day - school closed

TEAM POINTS THIS WEEK

1	Team Malala (Yellow)	390	
2	Team Zephaniah (Green)	366	
3	Team Lewis (Blue)	352	
4	Team Cadbury (Red)	342	

ATTENDANCE

Whole School This Week: 94.5%

PUPIL OF THE WEEK					
3L: Lily-Devon	4CP: Maira	6IS: Poppy			
3P: Zoya	4KP: Caitlyn	6KA: Ryan			
3W: Ahmad 5L: Emily 5M: Hannah6LA: Ethan					
4AP: Jehan	5S: Taeveon	6SA: Gurjot			



