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#### Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents, Guardians, Carers

I hope this message finds you well and that you and your family had a delightful Easter holiday. As we step into the vibrant summer term, I am thrilled to share that our children have returned with great enthusiasm, quickly adapting to their school routines. They have been eagerly sharing stories of their holidays and looking forward to the new learning adventures that await them.

This term, we are especially proud to observe the remarkable progress our children are making. They are not only achieving academically but are also becoming confident, independent learners who actively engage in shaping their school experience. One heartwarming development is their growing passion for reading. The children have expressed a sincere desire to have more external adults, not just our dedicated staff, come in to read with them. This is a beautiful opportunity to directly influence and enrich our children's educational journey.

We warmly invite you if you are available to volunteer to read with a class. This initiative is a wonderful way to demonstrate that we value and act upon our children's feedback. It also enriches their learning environment and strengthens our school community. If you are interested, please contact the school office to learn more about how you can participate.

Additionally, your feedback on class assemblies has been overwhelmingly positive. The joy and pride on your faces as you watch our children perform are truly priceless, and it means the world to them. We extend our deepest thanks to all our teachers who have dedicated their time and effort to make these assemblies a success.

Looking ahead, we are excited for a term filled with growth, learning, and community engagement. Thank you for your continuous support and involvement in our schools' activities. Together, we are making a profound impact on our children's futures.

Mrs. Jones

### **Mutley Park Walk**

In our latest adventure, Reception children enjoyed a delightful visit to Mutley Park, where they explored the local environment and revelled in a playful afternoon. This outing allowed our youngest learners to connect with nature, observe seasonal changes, and engage in energetic play. It was a wonderful opportunity to foster their curiosity about the world around them while enhancing their physical and social skills. We look forward to more exciting explorations like this!



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# **Multiplying Fun**

Our Year 1 children embarked on an exciting mathematical journey as they began learning about multiplication. They've been actively engaging with counting in twos, fives, and tens using practical tools such as bead strings, cubes, and other equipment. The children have also started applying these skills to solve problems, demonstrating their ability to use what they've learned in real-world scenarios. It's wonderful to see our young mathematicians developing their numeracy skills so enthusiastically!



**Practice Counting in Fun Ways**: Help your child practice counting in multiples—twos, fives, and tens—during everyday activities. You can count steps as you walk, toys during cleanup, or even snacks during mealtime. This reinforces their skills in a practical and enjoyable manner.

**Use Visual Aids**: Encourage learning multiplication concepts with visual aids at home. Bead strings, lego blocks, or arrays of household items can make abstract concepts more concrete and understandable for young learners.

# **Life Cycle**

In Year 2 science lesson, the children embarked on an exciting exploration of plant growth. The children had a hands-on experience by dissecting broad beans to identify and learn about the different parts of a seed. They closely examined the seed coat and the embryo, gaining a deeper understanding of how plants begin their life cycle. This practical approach not only makes learning more engaging but also enriches the students' knowledge of the natural world.



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# **Striking Notes**

This term in Music, Year 4 children are delving into the themes of Expression and Improvisation. Building on their successful recorder sessions last term, Curie Class has now taken on the challenge of mastering the glockenspiel. The children are excited to express their creativity and improve their musical skills with this new instrument. They are eagerly anticipating showcasing their musical endeavors to their families during their upcoming Class Assembly. It promises to be a delightful demonstration of the children's progress and artistic expression.



#### Some benefits of Music

**Enhances Cognitive Development**: Learning music can significantly boost brain power by enhancing memory, attention, and problem-solving skills. Engaging with musical instruments and rhythms helps to activate various areas of the brain simultaneously, fostering stronger neural connections.

**Improves Emotional Intelligence**: Music education is excellent for emotional development. Playing and listening to music can help children recognise and express their emotions more effectively. It also offers a healthy outlet for managing stress and anxiety.

**Encourages Creativity and Self-Expression**: Music provides a unique medium through which children can express themselves creatively. Whether improvising, composing, or performing, music allows children to explore and convey their inner thoughts and feelings, boosting their confidence and self-esteem.

# **Update on our Behaviour Policy**

We have recently updated our school policy to better meet the needs of our community and ensure a supportive and safe learning environment for all our pupils. A detailed letter outlining the changes has been sent to all parents. Please review this important information to stay informed about the latest updates. If you have any questions or require further clarification, do not hesitate to contact the school office. Thank you for your cooperation and continued support in making our school a wonderful place for our children to learn and grow.

#### **Thank You**

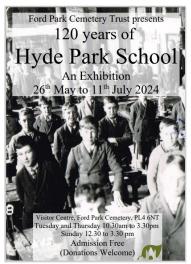
We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all the parents who generously volunteered their time recently in various trips, walks, talks, workshops etc. Your involvement is invaluable to our community, and it truly enhances our children's learning experiences. We are incredibly grateful for your dedication and support!

We would also like to extend our deepest gratitude to our PTFA for your generous donation of kits for our sporting teams and for your continuous efforts in planning and organising engaging activities for our children. Your support not only enhances their school experience but also fosters a vibrant and inclusive community spirit. Thank you for your dedication and commitment to making our school a better place for every child.

### 120 Years Celebration

We are thrilled to announce the upcoming exhibition celebrating 120 years of Hyde Park School. Hosted by the Ford Park Cemetery Trust at the Visitor Centre, this special event will run from May 26th to July 11th, 2024. Admission is free, and donations are welcomed. The exhibition will be open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:30 AM to 3:30 PM, and Sundays from 12:30 PM to 3:30 PM. Please mark your calendars and join us

in exploring the rich history of our school. Further details will be communicated soon.



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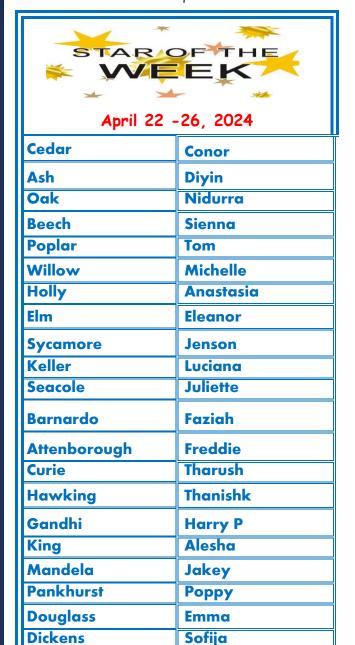
Nominations for being a Confident		
Learner		
Cedar	James	
Ash	Lily	
Oak	Reign	
Beech	Bertie	
Poplar	Reuben	
Willow	Eli	
Holly	Aliyah	
Elm	Macsen	
Sycamore	Vihaan	
Keller	Oscar	
Seacole	Isabella	
Barnardo	Lola	
Attenborough	Dithira	
Curie	Dotty	
Hawking	Violet	
Gandhi	Sophie	
King	Isabella	
Mandela	Sam	
Pankhurst	Sanaa	
Douglass	Fatimah	
Dickens	Ауа	











Nominations for being a Optimistic Learner	
Cedar	Davina
Ash	Charlie
Oak	Frank
Beech	Teddy
Poplar	Adam
Willow	Lena
Holly	Louiza
Elm	Arthur
Sycamore	Alfie
Keller	Sakiru
Seacole	Jayden
Barnardo	Abel
Attenborough	Angus
Curie	Kaitlyn
Hawking	Lucky-Mae
Gandhi	Eric
King	Bodhi
Mandela	Jayden
Pankhurst	Sonny
Douglass	Karthik
Dickens	Meavy









April/May 2024	
Monday, April 29 <sup>th</sup>	Internal After School Clubs Commence
Tuesday, April 30 <sup>th</sup>	Bag of Numbers Workshop @9am -parents, carers, guardians
	Induction Evening for September EYFS Starters @5pm
Thursday, May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Cedar Class Assembly @9am
Friday, May 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Curie Class Assembly @9am
Monday, May 6 <sup>th</sup>	May Day Bank Holiday
Tuesday, May 7 <sup>th</sup>	Bag of Numbers Workshop @9am
Wednesday, May 8 <sup>th</sup>	Sir David Attenborough's Birthday
	VE Day
Friday, May 10 <sup>th</sup>	Hawking Class Assembly @9am
Monday, 13 <sup>th</sup> – Friday, 17 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATs Week







