

SUNBEAMS NURSERY

ST ALPHEGE CE INFANT SCHOOL

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Values



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Newsletter

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

May 2023

Mon 8th – Bank Holiday – King Coronation

Thurs 11th – Class photos

Fri 19th – CACOT Fund Raising Day

Fri 26th – End of Term 5

June 2023

Mon 5th June – Staff Development Day

Tues 6th June – Start of Term 6

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KEY EVENTS

CORONATION CELEBRATIONS

We have had a wonderful few days learning about the tradition of the Coronation. Yesterday we had a very special visitor in school, HRH King Charles and also the Archbishop of Canterbury!

With the help of KIC Theatre's Ian and our dear friend Peter Bressington from the Playhouse, we re-enacted our very own ceremony.

We learnt all about the traditions, clothing and words that are used during this historical event.

We listened to trumpet fanfares and beautiful music by Handel.

Today we have been wearing the crowns that we have made, thank you so much to Mrs Khanom and Mrs Gore for helping us design our crowns! It has been a fun packed day with Coronation activities, party food and games. The children looked fantastic and enjoyed showing each other their creations of crowns and sceptres or twirling in fancy dresses and capes! We hope you have a lovely weekend with your family whether you watch this historic occasion, join in a community event or simply take advantage of an extra day to spend with your lovely children.

Stay and Play Session for Sunbeams Children

Friday 9th June

8:30am - 9:30am

Reception Share the Learning Session for Parents

Friday 9th June

8:45am - 9:30am

Year 2 are looking for donations of spare white T-shirts

Year 2 are looking for donations of spare white T-shirts of any size that you may no longer need. Year 2 staff will be collecting these throughout the next few weeks if you would like to donate them to school. Thank you!

Reception are looking for donation for small world play

Reception are looking for donations of small world play items such as animals, small characters, vehicles, board games etc. Any donations would be welcome. Thank you.

CACOT Fundraising day

We are holding a whole school fundraising day on Friday 19th May in support of a local charity that supports those who particularly need it during this time of financial hardship. We will be sending more information out next week to confirm which charity we will be supporting and with details about the event we will be holding. The TED Team have been working hard to plan something that all our children can take part in and are really looking forward to sharing it with you.

King Alphege Attendance Lion

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King Alphege is awarded to the class with the highest percentage attendance each week.



King Alphege Attendance Lion
W/E 28.4.23
Shells Class – 99.6%

Weekly Awards

Whole School Awards

Our awards this year represent our School Development priorities: GROWTH. Each class will nominate a child to receive an award each week.



Great Reading

Caleesi – Oysters Class



Risk Taking and Resilience

Ronnie – Shells Class



Outstanding Curriculum

Chloe – Puffins Class



Wonderful Writing

Albert – Pebbles Class



Thriving Community

Miya – Seagulls Class



Happiness, Wellbeing and
Wonder

Chloe – Pearls Class

Weekly Year Group Recap

Sunbeams

From Mrs Keeble & Mrs Humphreys

This has been a short week but a very busy and fun packed week for our Sunbeams. On Wednesday we all participated in a KIC Theatre session, through which we explored the life, so far, of King Charles. It involved using our imagination and lots of pretending! On Thursday we then joined the rest of the school in the hall to watch the Coronation, St Alphege style! Ian, from KIC Theatre talked to us about many of the elements and props that we will see during the Coronation service on Saturday. We were all able to join in with aspects of the service and really enjoyed watching the King be crowned with not just one crown, but two! Our helicopter stories have been inspired by all the coronation activities we have been doing this week and our Sunbeams continued to act out elements of the Coronation during their free play. On Friday, Reception joined us in the nursery for a celebration Coronation lunch. It was lovely to share our celebrations with our friends next door and a few of our siblings.

Year R

From Mrs Arnott & Mr Mead

It's been a short but brilliant week this week celebrating all things Coronation! On Wednesday we did some special thinking about what a Coronation is and looked back at videos of Queen Elizabeth's Coronation. We learnt all about the crown jewels, where they are kept and even discovered that the crown has a whopping 444 jewels on it! In the afternoon the children had a fantastic time taking part in a Kick theatre session where they acted out parts of the King's life. Thursday was even more exciting when we all got to experience that actual coronation in our very own school hall! We can't wait for the real thing now on Saturday! The children created their own union jack flags and sparkly regal crowns. Everyone also worked super hard drawing their own portraits of our King. On Friday we had a wonderful time sharing a very special lunch with the whole of reception and with Sunbeams, it was delicious! We then played lots of games such as coronation bingo, pin the crown on the king and musical statues. What a great week! Hope you all have a lovely long weekend everyone!

Year 1

From Mrs Jones & Mrs O'Malley

We have had so much fun this week learning about the historical and cultural importance of the coronation. The children loved playing and pretending in our drama worship with KIC theatre – they worked brilliantly together to show the different parts of King Charles' life: diver, painter, archaeologist, musician and environmentalist! Our Coronation with the 'real' King Charles, Archbishop and Cathedral Canon was magical and we had a wonderful time together as a school at our party, wearing our natural wild crowns. Once again, the children did brilliantly with swimming and they should certainly sleep well tonight! Next week we will be learning about the five senses in science and will have a 'taste test' using exciting adjectives to describe the taste of different foods. In Maths we will be making equal groups and will share numbers into equal groups, and in art will begin work on a self portrait inspired by Chila Burnam. Thank you for supporting your children at home with the eBooks and phonics sheets – this will help in preparation for the phonics screening in Term 6. We hope you enjoy another long weekend.

Year 2

From Mrs Swindells & Mrs O'Keeffe

What a brilliant week of royal celebrations we have had in Year 2! Children have been completing learning challenges themed around King Charles III and the Coronation. These have included creating and solving a Union Jack puzzle, word problems, throne building and plotting previous kings and queens on a timeline. Children have also been applying their decoding and comprehension skills to complete reading challenges. Next week we are looking forward to reading our new focus story for English 'The Proudest Blue.' This beautiful story about the first time a little girl called Asaiya goes to school in a hijab will be our inspiration to think more widely about celebrating diversity. In History, we will be learning about the powerful influence of Martin Luther King and begin to plan our own influential speeches based on a school themed scenario of inequality. Children will continue to improve their basketball skills by learning how to pass and dribble at the same time, whilst in computing they will begin to learn about how to collect data to collect a pictogram. Wishing you all a jubilant weekend full of family, friendship, sunshine and celebrations.