

# MUSKHAM

## Newsletter



### End of a Great Half Term.

As we come to the end of another fantastic half term at Muskham Primary School, I would like to take a moment to reflect on what has been a truly wonderful few weeks for our school.

Our children in Year 1 have thoroughly immersed themselves in the Muskham in Bloom Project, showing tremendous enthusiasm and pride in helping to improve our school environment. It has been heartwarming to see our dedicated local community supporting the children by helping to plant new shrubs and flowers, transforming areas of the school grounds into vibrant and eye-catching spaces. The children have loved getting involved and learning more about caring for the environment around them.

We were also delighted to host our recent school disco, which was filled with laughter, dancing and enormous smiles. It was wonderful to see so many children enjoying themselves together and creating happy memories with their friends. Events such as these are such an important part of school life and help to strengthen the sense of community that we are so proud of at Muskham.

This half term also included our Year 1 parents' evenings, which were extremely positive. Thank you to all parents and carers for attending and for the kind comments shared with staff. The strong partnership between home and school plays such an important role in supporting our children to thrive, and we greatly value your ongoing support.

Across the school, children have enjoyed taking part in scavenger hunts around the village, making the most of opportunities to explore our local area while developing teamwork, curiosity and problem-solving skills.

We have also welcomed several visits from our Trust partners this half term. It was a pleasure to hear such positive feedback regarding our children's behaviour, their attitudes to learning, their politeness and the exceptionally strong relationships between adults and children across the school. These comments reflect the caring and nurturing environment that makes Muskham such a special place to learn and grow.

To round off the half term in style, we celebrated together during our Awards Assembly. It was a wonderful occasion recognising the achievements, effort and progress of so many pupils. There were certainly some very proud children — and equally proud parents — as we celebrated the successes of our pupils together. Thank you once again to all of our families, staff, governors and wider community for your continued support. I hope everyone enjoys a well-deserved break, and we look forward to welcoming the children back for another exciting half term ahead.

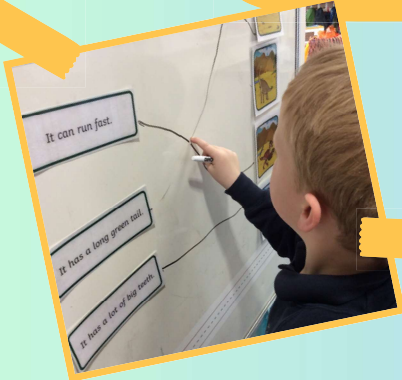
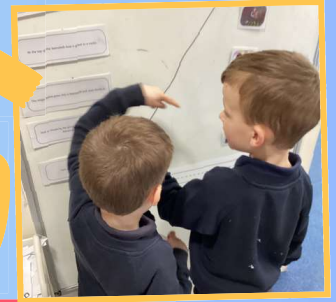
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### What's coming up...

- Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June - World Cup Day**
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June - Year 6 Camping**
- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July - Transition Day (children into new classes)**
- Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> July - The Wizard of Oz Performances**
- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July - Reports out to parents**
- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July - Sports Day**
- 13<sup>th</sup> July - 15<sup>th</sup> July - Residential**
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July - Summer Fayre**
- Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July - Leavers' Assembly**



**It's all happening in the classroom...**



### **Mr Charlesworth's Class**

Foundation children have been busy practising their reading skills by matching captions and sentences to the correct pictures, using their growing phonic knowledge to help them decode and understand each one. They have also been spotting familiar digraphs and trigraphs, proudly identifying the sounds they know and applying them with increasing confidence. It has been lovely to see their reading skills strengthen as they connect words, sounds, and meaning.

### **Mrs Keane's Class**

#### **🌸 Year 1 Get Planting**

Year 1 have been busy brightening up the front of the school by taking part in a lovely planting session with Blooming Muskham.

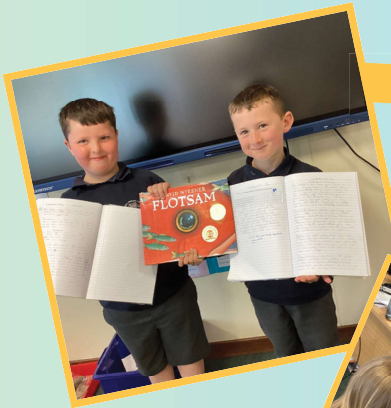
The children worked incredibly hard, carefully planting flowers and learning how to look after them. They showed great enthusiasm and teamwork, taking pride in helping to make our school environment more colourful and welcoming.

It was wonderful to see their excitement as they got hands-on with the soil, and they are very proud of the difference they have made. Thank you to the volunteers for supporting this fantastic opportunity —we can't wait to watch our plants grow! 🌸🌿



## It's all happening in the classroom...

### Mrs Palmer's Class



Year 4/5 have truly impressed me with their fabulous stories inspired by Flotsam; they are both entertaining and richly descriptive. Meanwhile, the construction of the moving toys is continuing, with children now adding their final touches.



### Mrs Hough's Class

Class 2 have been learning all about healthy eating this week. The children created their own food pyramids and sorted pictures of different foods into the correct sections. This helped them understand how much of each type of food our bodies need and why it's important to enjoy a variety of foods to help us stay strong, energised, and healthy.

In English, the children have been busy writing missing-item posters for their favourite possessions. This was inspired by the moment in Vlad and the Great Fire of London when Samuel Pepys' precious cheese goes missing. The class loved using this idea to create their own imaginative posters.



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### Miss Baker's Class

Year 5 and 6 have had a wonderfully busy and creative week! In English, the children have been inspired by The Tale of Three Brothers from Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows, crafting their own imaginative narrative poems. Their work has shown fantastic creativity and a growing confidence in using rich, descriptive language. Alongside this, we have been busy preparing for our upcoming Enterprise project. Pupils have been developing their ideas and creating eye-catching advertisements, ready for launch after half term. In Maths, Year 6 have been taking part in the Nationwide money lessons, exploring real-life financial skills such as understanding financial documents, recognising value for money and considering the influences on spending. They also enjoyed their fun and engaging scavenger walk around the village. Meanwhile, in Art, Year 5 have been building on their recent clay work by using watercolours to bring their fantastic hybrid animals to life, producing some beautiful and vibrant pieces.



### Mrs Ellison's/Mrs Sheldon's Class

As part of National Walking month in May, Class 3 have taken part in a scavenger hunt around North Muskhams village. They followed maps to find missing letters from words on signs around the village. They then had to unjumble the letters to find a hidden message - which allowed them a playtime on the park! Well done, Class 3!



## Disco...We Own the Dancefloor!

Last Wednesday evening, Muskhams Primary School was transformed into the hottest dance venue in town as children, families and staff gathered for our much-anticipated School Disco – and what a night it was!

The hall was packed with excited children dressed in their finest party gear, ready to dance the night away. Fuelled by an impressive supply of sweets and hotdogs, the energy levels remained sky-high from start to finish. Judging by the number of children skidding enthusiastically across the dancefloor, we suspect a few knees may never quite recover!

A huge shoutout must go to Mr Eggleston for his outstanding DJ skills. From chart-toppers to classic party anthems, he kept the dancefloor full all evening and somehow managed to satisfy the musical tastes of everyone from Reception to Year 6 – no easy feat!

Of course, no school disco would be complete without some unforgettable adult dance moves. Parents and staff bravely took to the floor, showcasing a range of styles that could generously be described as “creative.” However, when YMCA came on, the adults absolutely smashed it and proved they still know exactly how to bring the party atmosphere.

One of the highlights of the evening had to be the mammoth conga that wound its way around the school, gathering more and more dancers as it travelled. At one point, it seemed almost impossible to tell where the conga ended!

Most importantly, events like this simply wouldn't be possible without the incredible support of our school community. A huge thank you goes to all of our families for your invaluable support, generosity and enthusiasm in helping make the disco such a fantastic success. Your support helps create these special memories for the children, and we are so grateful to everyone who helped, attended, donated or danced the night away with us.


We're already looking forward to the next one!






# MAY HALF TERM TENNIS CAMP

 May 26th, 27th, 28th

 Full day 9am-4pm

 Full day Tennis Camps @ Caunton Tennis Club

 Ages 5-15 years.

 Caunton Tennis Club, NG23 6AS



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