



1st May 2026

## Message from Mrs Reid



Dear Parents and Carers,

As expected, the weather has signalled that we are at the very start of the Summer Term, bringing some quite powerful sunshine, along with sharp showers and chilly winds. Thankyou for making sure that your children are equipped for several seasons in one day, and the numbers with sun cream applied, and more to add as the day goes on, have impressed.

Hard work is well underway in every class. Pupils have returned exhibiting encouraging dispositions for learning, and are embracing the curriculum developments staff have spent their Easter break preparing for them.

We were delighted to welcome Mr Swait and Mrs Saunders, both Directors of Learning, alongside Mrs Callow, An Daras CEO, for a full school review last week. This is a close scrutiny of all areas of education provision that An Daras Trust carries out annually for all schools. After a day of detailed examination of Coads Green, our feedback was very encouraging with, as expected, some small areas for next targets. The day was a very gratifying reflection of all the work that staff have undertaken over the past year, and is reassuring in the recognition it gave to the support and provision your children receive at Coads Green School.

This is a good opportunity to invite you all, and any family member or community members you may know who have attended Coads Green Primary School, to a celebration of the **200th Anniversary** of the School on **Friday, 17th July**. We hope to have an outdoor celebration at the end of the school day, with opportunities to share and record memories of the School going back as far as possible. More details to follow as the weeks progress.

Next Friday (8th May), is the final in the cross country series at Duchy College. We have had wonderful consistency from some of our KS2 pupils in taking part in this, but all KS2 pupils are invited to take part, even if only for the final event. Please see details this week from Mrs Ledwith of how to take part, or see me at the beginning or end of the day.

We have some visits and trips arranged for this term, and further details will be heading your way. In July, Class 3 are heading to **Bristol** for a residential, taking in an exhilarating range of cultural and enrichment attractions on offer there. After the half-term break, we are all taking a trip to **Plymouth to visit the Islamic Centre and Synagogue**. We also have a **beach trip** this term, and Class 1 will be visiting the **Sustainability Centre** in July.

As you know, we are sorry to be losing Miss Haggarty, who is moving to a new role outside teaching at half-term. Our class structure will be slightly changing, in preparation for transition to September, with Mrs Povey teaching Class 1, Year 3 joining the other KS2 pupils in Class 3. We are aware that we will need to discuss class renaming with pupils and staff!

Please make note of the dates in the calendar later in this newsletter. They may be added to as the term progresses, so do check back in future Newsletters for more information (which is also backed up by email and text messages that Mrs Ledwith or I send out).

As always, if you need any support or wish to discuss any aspect of your child's learning, please do speak to the Class Teachers, who will be very happy to help.

Best wishes,

Mrs Reid,

# Safeguarding

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EVERY CHILDHOOD IS WORTH FIGHTING FOR

Safeguarding is part of our fabric at Coads Green, and all members of staff are trained in Safeguarding, and in the most up to date guidance. Children's welfare is our top priority, and we share ways we can support pupils regularly in assemblies and in class time. Pupils know that, if they have any concerns, they can talk to trusted adults at home, and all members of staff at School.

Our Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mrs Reid, with staff able to pass concerns on and discuss any questions at any time.

Deputy Safeguarding Leads are Mrs Povey and Mrs Ledwith.

# LEARN ALL ABOUT PANTS WITH PANTOSAURUS!

## **P** RIVATES ARE PRIVATE

Your underwear covers up your private parts and no one should ask to see or touch them. Sometimes a doctor, nurse or family members might have to. But they should always explain why, and ask you if it's OK first. Remember, what's in your pants belongs only to you.

## **A** LWAYS REMEMBER YOUR BODY BELONGS TO YOU

Your body is yours, and no one should touch your private parts or any other parts of your body that you don't want to be touched. No one has the right to make you do anything that makes you feel uncomfortable. If somebody does make you do something, it's never your fault. Even if the person who has made you feel uncomfortable has told you it is your fault.

## **N** O MEANS NO

You always have the right to say 'no' – even to a family member or someone you love. You're in control of your body and the most important thing is how YOU feel. If you want to say 'No', it's your choice.

## **S** PEAK UP, SOMEONE CAN HELP

Talk about stuff that makes you worried or upset. If you ever feel sad, anxious or frightened you should talk to a safe adult who you trust.

This doesn't have to be a family member. It can also be a teacher or a friend's parent – or even Childline. Talking shouldn't get you into trouble, even if somebody has told you it will. If something has happened that makes you feel uncomfortable, it is never your fault.

## **T** ALK ABOUT SECRETS THAT UPSET YOU

There are good and bad secrets. Good secrets can be things like surprise parties or presents for other people. Bad secrets make you feel sad, worried or frightened. You should always talk to a safe adult who you trust about a bad secret or anything that doesn't feel right.

You can also talk to Childline. Call **0800 1111** or contact them online at **Childline.org.uk**. Someone will always be there to listen.

## Y6 SATs



SATs test take place across the country from Monday, 11th May until Thursday, 14th May.

Year 6 pupils are prepared for these tests, and are familiar with their formats. Throughout the week, pupils will be well-supported by familiar staff and in their own classroom.

I'd like to invite pupils to join for extra breakfast before the day starts, arriving from 8:30am, to tuck in to varied treats, such as fruit, yoghurt, croissants, bacon rolls.

Whilst the mornings will be following a different format to the norm, in some ways, pupils generally enjoy the challenge and chance to show some elements of their learning over their time at primary school.

This is, by no means, the end of their learning for Year 6, as they know, and there is still so much more for them to experience before they transition to secondary school.

## Around the Classes



### **Class One**

What a fantastic first two weeks back at school Class One have had! We've dived straight into our new Science topic: Plants. The children have thoroughly enjoyed learning about the different parts of a plant, their functions and the life cycle of seeds. We have recently planted our own cress seeds, which we're very excited to try later in the term!

This topic ties in perfectly with our recent Drawing Club text, "The Tiny Seed", where we have been exploring the journey seeds go on during their life cycle.

Finally, Class One have wowed all staff with their quick recall of doubles facts. The children were able to explain their reasoning, apply their number bond knowledge, and have been working super independently. Let's keep up the good work as we move into the Summer Term!

### **Class Two**

In Class Two, we have been investigating the layers under our feet, and delving to the middle of the Earth.

Our Maths learning has focused on measurements for Years 3 & 4, while Year 2 pupils have been investigating fractions.

For History, we are exploring the Stone Age and, in Science, we are observing states of matter and testing what makes a solid, liquid and gas.

Additionally, our Art unit is beginning the intriguing theme of 3D Food Modelling, inspired by the Pop Art Movement of the 1960s.

### **Class Three**

Despite the impending SATs for Y6, learning in Class 3 continues to be broad and varied. We have concluded our writing linked to "Windrush Child" with some lovely descriptive writing. Our next text to link our writing to is "Beowulf" as retold by Michael Morpurgo, and pupils have begun learning more about this Saxon tale by uncovering related artefacts.

Maths has seen further work in decimals, carrying out all four calculation types using them. We have now moved on to linking decimals to fractions and percentages, always continuing to bring in reasoning and deeper explanations to show good understanding of Maths concepts.

In Geography, we've concluded learning about Mountains, explaining why Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay found fossils of sea creatures at the summit of Mount Everest. Please ask your Class 3 child to describe this to you!









## Breakfast Club



Our Breakfast Club runs every day from 8am until school starts. Mrs Abbott provides milk or water to drink, along with a choice of cereals, toast and/or crumpets and a range of spreads, and fruit is always available.

On Fridays, children can choose to have chocolate spread and Nesquik as an end of week treat!

There is a small charge for Breakfast Club - please see Mrs Ledwith for details.

## Coads Green PTFA



Amazing work by members of the PTFA at the Jumble Sale last week. It was an enormous effort, and very well-attended. Thankyou for any help you gave, and for all of the very welcome donations.

If you'd like to learn more about the PTFA, please speak to Mrs Ledwith in the Office, or to Mrs Reid, or any of the parents in the playground. Extra hands and diverse ideas are always welcome!



## Wild Tribe



This half-term, Olly will be leading Wild Tribe on Monday afternoons with KS2.

Olly tailors the learning to the next steps for children, and ensures that activities are diverse, and often incorporate elements of other learning in the curriculum.

Recent activities have involved practical construction, creating bespoke habitats for mini-beasts, knot skills to create picture frames, and even cooking bread and chocolate bananas on the fire.

Due to availability and the Bank Holiday, Wild Tribe Club is not running this half-term, but will return from the start of June until the end of term.

## Dates for your diary



**Monday, 4th May** - May Bank Holiday

**Tuesday, 5th May** - RRR Club to 4:15pm (Y6 only)

**Friday, 8th May** - pm Duchy College Cross Country

**Monday, 11th May** - RRR Club to 4:15pm (Y6 only)

**Monday, 11th May to Thursday, 14th May** - **SATs week (Y6)** - SATs Breakfast on offer from 8:30am each morning (for Y6 pupils)

**Monday, 11th May** - Mental Health Awareness Week

**Friday, 15th May** - Parental Surveys to be completed by today

**Wednesday, 20th May** - *Whole School trip to Piety Centre and Plymouth Synagogue* - now rearranged to take place 2nd June

**Monday, 25th May to Friday, 29th May** - Half-term

**Tuesday, 2nd June** - Whole school trip to Piety Centre and Plymouth Synagogue

**Friday, 5th June** - Non-pupil day

**Wednesday, 10th June** - Sports Day

**Wednesday, 17th June** - Trust Literature Festival

**Monday, 22nd June** - Full Governing Body Meeting

**23rd/24th or 25th/26th Transition Days for Launceston School (dates to be confirmed)**

**Tuesday, 30th June** - Beach Day

**Wednesday, 1st July & Thursday, 2nd July** - Bikeability Y5 and selected Y6

**Wednesday, 1st July** - Reserve Sports Day

**Friday, 3rd July** - Class 1 to Wild Tribe and the Sustainability Centre, Lewtrenchard

**Wednesday, 8th July to Friday, 10th July** - Class 3 Residential to Bristol

**Friday, 10th July** - Class 1 to Wild Tribe and the Sustainability Centre, Lewtrenchard

**Tuesday, 14th July** - Alternative Sports Day

**Friday, 17th July** - Class 1 to Wild Tribe and the Sustainability Centre, Lewtrenchard

**Friday, 17th July** - 3-4:30pm 200 Years of Coads Green Primary School Anniversary Celebration

**Tuesday, 21st July** - End of term/Year

## Pre-loved uniform



Please call in to the Reception Area where we have a great range of pre-loved uniform in most sizes and styles, from which you are welcome to select.



## Clubs



**Monday 20th and 27th April/Tuesday 5th May 3:15-4:15pm** RRR (SATs) Club for Y6 (3 dates specified above)

Other than RRR Club above, Clubs will return on 27th April:

**Thursdays 3:15-4:15pm** Sports Club

**Gardening Club** - no after-school club this half-term, but there are plenty of jobs that we can undertake during lunchtimes

## Healthy Snacks



As part of our PSHE and Science learning at Coads Green, as well as through Assemblies, we learn about what sort of diet supports good health, also helping to prevent illnesses and health problems. Naturally, this leads us to reflect on what sorts of choices children could be encouraged to make as they grow older and increase in independence.

Thankyou for supporting our focus on healthy eating by providing your children with healthy snacks of a piece of **fruit or vegetables** for their morning snack. KS1 and EYFS and Nursery have fruit available to them at school as part of the funded scheme, but they are also welcome to bring in an additional or preferred piece of fruit or veg, if they wish to. We often have enough fruit available for KS2 pupils as well, but it's a good idea to send some in to be on the safe side.



## Community and Local News



## Contact



Please 'phone the School on 01566 782303, or email the Office: [coadsgreen@andaras.org](mailto:coadsgreen@andaras.org)

Thankyou for supporting our seamless start to the School Day by entering via the Main Door.  
Doors open at 8:30am.

A member of staff will attend the entrance until 8:45am, when the School Day starts. If you have any messages, please do pass them on to the member of staff on duty, or contact the Office (as above) at any time.

The register is taken at 8:45am. Please contact the Office if you will arrive later than this, and by 8:45am if your child is to be absent that day.

Teachers are preparing the day's learning at this time so time is limited at drop-off. If you wish to discuss any matters in more detail, please do arrange a time after school, or at a time to suit, with Mrs Ledwith, or any staff members.

Staff are generally available in the playground at the end of the school day. We are more than happy to talk to parents and carers, and can arrange further meetings if needed.