

# **ENHANCE ACADEMY TRUST**

# Newsletter SUMMER EDITION

# Overthorpe – Jubilee Celebrations

The children had a fantastic day celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee at Overthorpe. The children enjoyed a themed lunch before playing lots of games outside. We held a design a Crown competition and even dressed up our very own Queen Gamble!

The children were also joined by our seniors from the Neighbourhood Nest who talked to them about their memories of the Royal family, whilst we listened to 'music through the past 70 years' and enjoyed a delicious bun or cake!



### St Helen's – Jubilee Celebrations

On Friday 27th May as a whole school we celebrated the Queen's 70 years on the throne by having a fantastic 'Street-Style' picnic out on our playground. It was great to have every child outside and to be joined by governors as we dressed in red, white and blue or our posh frocks and garments! Luckily, we had a bit of sunshine too. I'm sure Her Majesty would have been proud and would have loved some of the food on offer!

As part of the celebrations the classes in school created some stunning art work which is currently being displayed at Fitzwilliam Train Station. It is great to see our work being celebrated in the local community. We had so much and it was so good, we have 2 display boards! If you are ever hopping on the train, look out for beautiful display in honour of our Queen!



# Sandal Magna – Visit to Kingswood

Years 4, 5 and 6 had a wonderful time at Kingswood at the end of last half term. They took part in a whole host of activities from abseiling to shelter building to buggy building. All the members of staff were so impressed by their team work and perseverance at trying all these new activities. A huge thank you to all of the staff who gave up their own time in to make this possible for the children.

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## **Christ Church – Snow Pup Mycaa**

We are very excited here at Christ Church CE Academy, as we say Bon Voyage to our very own snow – pup, Mycca, who sets off on his travels to take his place in the Autumn 2022 'Kirkwood Supports Life Art Trail'.

We are extremely grateful to Illingworth & Gregory Ltd, for the generous donation of the snow-pup to our school and the Dulux Decorator Centre for kindly supplying the paint to decorate him.

Every child in school (and staff member) has printed their own heart onto Mycca, in school colours. This came from the final line of our school prayer, 'so many hearts make a school'. Our snow-pup's name (Mycca - My CCA- pronounced My-ca) was voted for by the children and we feel is a great choice as it embodies the vison and values of our school -my school, my heart, my CCA!

The link below shows a short video to explain the trail:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dq3GJhLAj2I&feature=emb\_imp

Keep your eyes peeled for him on the trail- we can't wait to see him out in the wild!



Just before the half-term holidays we were lucky enough to welcome representatives from Google and Parentzone into school to help us become 'internet legends'. Their assembly was a huge success and addressed several current issues with online media literacy. We learnt about the five pillars of the 'legends code' – encouraging pupils to be sharp, alert, secure, kind and brave whilst online.



A highlight of the morning for us was our very special visitor – our local MP, Yvette Cooper, who joined in with the assembly and spoke to staff and pupils about our experiences online. She was very interested to hear about other aspects of school life too, including fruit for schools (an initiative she set up) and our access to local swimming lessons. We were grateful to Yvette for taking the time out of her busy schedule to spend the morning with us.

# St Botolph's - Coffee Morning

On the last day of half-term, we were pleased to be able to restart our parent coffee mornings. Someone from WISENDSS was able to come in and speak to parents in a relaxed setting about autism awareness and we donated proceeds to the National Autistic Society.





#### Diamond Wood – Author Visit

Our children have been very luck to have a published author visit them in school. Gareth Jackson has several children's books published and his most recent book, "Popper the Grasshopper", contains illustrations by our very own Diamond Wood pupils! If you would like to buy any of Gareth's books please contact the school office, they are £8 each.



### St Giles - Artistic Timeline

Local artist and parent of a child at St Giles, Rachel List, shared her talents by producing a wonderful History timeline in school. The timeline is linked to local, national and global historic events and is linked to the History curriculum delivered in school. The children and staff are over the moon with the finished mural and the have loved exploring the dates





## St Giles - Sports Champions Visit

WOW! It was amazing to witness Jamie Hull in school this term. Jamie is a European and World Champion and is sponsored by Red Bull. He even has his own range of scooters which I thought was a pretty fantastic achievement at just 20 years of age. I honestly had no idea that 'professional scooter rider' was a possible job option but I do now. I have a funny feeling lots of children will be asking for scooters after the amazing stunts they witnessed.

We love taking part in the 'sports for champions' initiative. We raised £278 for school which is greatly appreciated. Mr Greatorex (St Giles Sports Lead)

# **Overthorpe – Endurance Award**

After hearing about the war in Ukraine, one of our students here at Overthorpe, Tillie-Mai, has been desperate to help those forced to flee their homes and asked her Dad how she could help. Dad suggested that she could do some fundraising for the victims of the conflict. Tilly-Mai decided that she wanted to donate one month's pocket money, which dad agreed to match. She has also received donations from her friends and has now raised an amazing £140! The School is incredibly proud of Tillie-Mai, who has been awarded our Endurance Award for her amazing act of kindness to support the people of Ukraine.



She is also featured in this week's Dewsbury Reporter, the link to which is below if you would like to have a read. <a href="https://www.dewsburyreporter.co.uk/education/incredible-dewsbury-schoolgirls-act-of-kindness-to-support-people-in-ukraine-3611968">https://www.dewsburyreporter.co.uk/education/incredible-dewsbury-schoolgirls-act-of-kindness-to-support-people-in-ukraine-3611968</a>



# Overthorpe - New Outdoor Provision

Thanks to our wonderful PTA and Arcadia Landscaping, the development of our new outdoor trim trail, climbing area and mile path at Overthorpe is really starting to take shape! The children can't wait to use it when it's completed.







# Diamond Wood – International Women's Day

After a 2-year absence we were delighted to welcome the community back to our International Women's Day event! It was wonderful to see you all again.

Services from the Kirklees district joined us to support women from across the whole community.

We were honoured to receive the Mayoress of Kirklees, Judith Patrick, to open the event. Jacqui Gedman, CEO of Kirklees Council, gave an impassioned speech about the role of women in wider society and their importance.

The School Choir sang "Leave Your Light On" and the Diamond Dancers showed off their newest routine. The School's Eco Council and Sports Ambassadors also came along. As always, our fantastic partners had lots of information to assist our local families. Visitors could take part in journal making and glass painting and enjoyed our IWD cupcakes!

We look forward to welcoming you all back again next year. Mandy Farrar



# **Our Amazing Volunteer Partners**

**School Nursing Team PCSO Team** Ravensthorpe Junior School Castle Hall Academy Ravensthorpe CC Adult Learning Early Help Team **Family Support Team** Uniform Exchange **Community Cohesion Team** Community Plus Team Mental Health Support Team Road Safety Team Prevent Engagement TSL Adult Learning Let June Make a Difference **Auntie Pams** S2R Purple Dog **KRASAC Support Services** Ravensthorpe Library Start Well Project **Pennine Breast Screening** Northorpe Hall Kirklees Wellness Service Apprentice Outreach Team

**Yorkshire Cancer Community** 

#### **Trust – New Trustee Welcome**

Trustees would like to welcome and introduce Claire Screeton to the Enhance Academy Trust Board.

Claire is a qualified Chartered Accountant with more than 25 years' experience working in Yorkshire across a diverse range of private sector companies.

Having qualified as an accountant in 2001 with Ernst & Young, she then spent a number of years doing a variety of accounting roles at two financial services businesses namely GE Capital and Yorkshire based Lowell Group.

Having taken time out during 2012 and 2013 when her two sons were born, she has now spent the last 10 years doing a broad range of part time, interim and contract finance assignments providing her services as Finance Director across a varied range of local businesses.

### **CAPA College – Fund Raising**

CAPA College are currently fund raising to #SUPPORTOURSTARS. If you would like to donate please follow the link to the crowdfunding page – www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/capacollege



St Helen's CE Primary School @StHelCEPrimary - Jun 8 Thank you @JCEnglishHub @MrsKellyWood\_ for the thoughtful card and

Striving to reach the very best in our PSC results! 💪

#lookingforwardinfaith #WhateverItTakes #phonics



Dear St Helens Reading Team,

we just manted to mish you are good luck for the

we know how hard you have all worked... All the best,

Kelly On behalf of

Sandal Magna Community Academy Retweeted Y1SandalMagnaCA @Y1SandalMagnaCA - Jun 22 We are so excited about our visit to Sandal Castle today. We have been



CAPA College @CAPACOLLEGE · 23h



It's time for our Y2 students to fly the nest! After a day filled with memories, laughter and lots of tears, it is finally time to say goodbye. We are beyond

St Giles Academy Pontefract @stgilesacademy · 21h Winner Winners - Yellow Team! An amazing KS2 sports day. Well done everyone! 💥



Overthorpe CofE @Overthorpe\_Acad · 24m Learning all about campfires and cooking homemade bread! @Overthorpe Acad @LittleDeerWood @LetJuneMakeAD



Lepton CE School @LeptonCE · Jul 12, 2013 Afternoon Tea with the Headteacher. Invited guests from year 5.



Overthorpe CofE @Overthorpe\_Acad · 1h ₩ Fabulous morning on the canal! @O\_Year\_5\_6



St. Michael's @st\_michaels\_ce . 21h Year 3 and Year 6 Buddy reading in the shade today.

