



Fulfen News

Summer 2



Dear parents and carers,

What an amazing round up of both the term and the year. It has been incredibly busy, but such fun and Summer is here at last!

The fortieth birthday of the school was a great success. This day was all about creating memories for all the children as well as igniting some memories of past pupils. It is certainly the biggest event ever seen a school hold and will be a day that will be talked about for many years to come!

Sports Day was fantastic! Well done to all of our participants. We were overwhelmed with the positive response received about the picnic lunch - what an amazing atmosphere.

We also celebrated the successful outcome of our Ofsted inspection which seems so far away now! The report praised the school for our many strengths and confirmed that we are successfully moving towards becoming an outstanding school.

The children have enjoyed trips and WOW days to enhance their learning in various subject areas, including our first International residential to Spain for some year 6 pupils. This trip was a great success, and we hope to provide opportunities for the next year 6 pupils to have an overseas residential.

We have had our transition day where pupils have spent the day with their new class teacher and the pupils are now looking forward to being in their new class in September.

All Year 6 pupils have worked incredibly hard this year towards their statutory tests and we are proud of all of them. We know that you have aimed high whilst having fun. Year 6 you are all Secondary ready, but we will miss you and I am incredibly proud to have been your Head Teacher and shared part of your journey. In the countdown to the end of their time at Fulfen, Year 6 have been enjoying some amazing activities. The end of year performance of 'What a Knight' was a delight! We are looking forward to the Year 6 graduation on Friday 20th July. We wish them well as they move on to their new schools.

Last but not least, an enormous thank you to the dedicated team of Fulfen Primary School staff. Thank you all for your hard work - you do an amazing job! School re-opens to pupils on Tuesday 4th September 2018. From all of the staff at Fulfen Primary School, we wish you all have a wonderful Summer Break. Happy holidays!

Miss Davies





DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2018

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Monday 3rd September INSET Day - The school will be open to teaching staff only.

Tuesday 4th September - Welcome Back - The school is open from 8.45am to all staff and pupils.



From Sept 10th - October 12th

Years 5 & 6 will participate in Bikeability. Please check your letter and the website calendar for the dates.

Meet The Teacher

6.00pm

Tuesday 11th September – Year 6

Wednesday 12th September – Year 5

Thursday 13th September – Year 4

Tuesday 18th September – Year 2

Wednesday 19th September Year 1

Thursday 20th September – Year 3

Wednesday 26th September Early Years

Harvest Festival



Tuesday 9th October

More information will follow.



SAVE THE DATE

Come and join us to raise money for Macmillan Cancer. Watch out for your invite in September.



Fulfen Primary School

Charities & Fund Raising



•Macmilan Coffee Morning £770.79



•Children In Need £428.00



•Poppy Appeal £707



•Sports Relief £450



•School Funds £800.00



SCOPE
£281

Fulfen Primary School likes to support both local and national charities. Our Harvest Festival appeal asked for donations of food for The Food Bank in Cannock. We were once again overwhelmed with your response. Thank you.

Our Year 6 children organised our Macmillan Coffee morning. We would like to thank you all for your support and generous donations of the most gorgeous cakes and biscuits. They raised a massive total of £770.79 we are very proud of all their efforts.

We raised £428.00 for Children In Need in November. Thank you to all the children and teachers who came to school in their pyjamas. The money will help disadvantaged children in all parts of the UK.

The Organisers of the Poppy Appeal were amazed at our efforts this year. We raised a staggering £707.00 Our Poppy Appeal went extremely well with all the children being very enthusiastic about the "snap bands".

Some of our Year 6 children arranged a week of fundraising for the charity SCOPE. They sold cakes and sweets and held a "name the teddy" competition. We were impressed with their efforts and they raised £281.00.

The children raised an amazing £450.00 for Sports Relief. We do not know who had the most fun, the teachers or the children? Thank you for your donations.



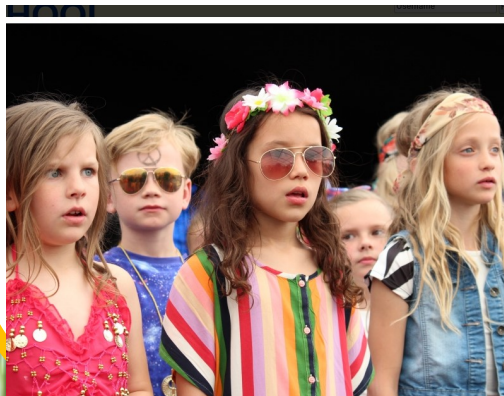
What a fantastic experience this was! Children were welcomed into school by a jazz band from local high school Erasmus Darwin as well as stilt walkers and jugglers. It really was a sight to behold!

It was so wonderful for so many parents and grandparents to come and watch our 1970s inspired performance for a trip down memory lane. The children loved having their own parents wander round school looking at their beautiful displays.

The fun didn't stop there, Aston Villa player Albert Adomah very kindly visited the school to show off some of his football skills and talk with the children. The children were so enthusiastic to listen to his football tales and ask him many mature questions—even some of the teachers were asking questions!

The day ended with a tremendous, very own Fulfen version of 'Stars In Their Eyes'. The children were so brave and embraced the different singers they were impersonating. Once again the teachers loved getting involved, singing, dancing and having fun with the children and parents.

Finally, we would like to thank everyone for making the effort to dress for the occasion we thoroughly enjoyed celebrating Fulfen's 40th birthday in style!





Treetops

We have had a fantastic last term in Treetops.

Our topic this term has been 'Guess How Much I Love You In The Summer'. Using this we have completed observational drawings, paintings as well as story retelling.

All of the children had such a fantastic sports day, despite the hot weather we all tried our best and had lots of fun!

The World Cup was also an exciting time for us in Treetops. We decorated our own England flags and had our very own Treetops football match!

All of the children have enjoyed their transition days into reception getting to know their new teachers. They are all super excited to start in September and will be truly missed!



Reception

Early years have been very busy this term preparing for their transition into year 1. They have visited their new classrooms for stories each week, moved across to the Key stage 1 playground at lunchtime, joined in whole school assemblies and much much more!

We enjoyed learning different songs and preparing for the Birthday Bash and also practising hard for Sports Day- it's been a very busy term!

The children really have done us all proud this year and we will miss them all. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your support this year and also wish the children all the very best for next year. Have a safe and enjoyable summer break everyone!





Y1

We have had one fun and exciting Summer term in Year 1.

A-harrrrr! We had a great day with Pirate Ron. We found out many facts about pirates in order to kick-start our new text in English 'The Pirates Next Door'.



Year 1 have taken full advantage of this beautiful, summer weather and have completed lots of outdoor learning using chalk, hunts around the school grounds and exploring the Woodland area.

The 70's day was an absolute success. KS1 and EYFS performed with great gusto and enjoyed showing parents our 70's art. We all thoroughly enjoyed our ice-creams in the sunshine the following Monday.

Now we cannot forget to mention the success of the Year 1 Phonics Screening Test. We are all still buzzing at how well all children did. You are all SUPER STARS!



We would like to say a HUGE thank you to all parents and carers for your support since September. It has been a wonderful year with your children and we cannot believe it is nearly over.

We hope that you have an amazing summer, have plenty of rest and lots of fun!

Y2

What an exciting end to the year we've had in Year 2!

The children thoroughly enjoyed their trip to Chasewater and had a fantastic day orienteering and finding out about the local wildlife.

Of course, the Birthday Bash was a huge success and the children did us all proud with their performances during the day and we really enjoyed inviting parents in to have a go at the art work!

More recently, children have been excitedly solving the case of the Fidget Spinner Muddler in maths lessons and they have been sharing and writing poetry in our English lessons, creating their own Carnival Poems.

We've also been busy preparing for sports day, where all the children have been enjoying participating and improving at the different activities and practising their races!

We have also been preparing for Carnival day, where the children will be able to wear their amazing Carnival masks, dance to Caribbean music and compete at walking the tightrope, hula hooping and, of course, the limbo!



We have had a wonderful year this year and hope that all the children have a great break over the summer. Thank you to all the parents for your support!



Y3

What an absolutely fantastic year we have had in year 3!

For our last term our topic has been Ancient Egypt and the children have really WOWed us with their knowledge and interest towards this unit of work.



We thoroughly enjoyed Mr Egypt coming in to visit us and were exceptionally well behaved.



The best part for the children was taking part in our very own mummification process—of course!

In writing, our children have enjoyed learning about a brand new species of plant that was discovered by the very own David Attenborough! We used the skills of interviewing, paragraphing and taking notes to create our very own non-chronological report about this unique plant! Well done guys!

In maths, the children have been securing their knowledge and understanding of problem solving for multiplication, division, addition and subtraction ready for year 4. They particularly enjoyed our 'World Cup' themed problem solving questions whilst singing along to 'Football's Coming Home'!

We must say what an outstanding year we have all had in year 3 and we could not be prouder of each and every one of them! It has been an absolute pleasure to teach the children this year and they will be truly missed.

Have a great summer,

Miss Pretty, Mrs Evans and Miss Westwood xx



Y4

What a sensational summer term Year 4 have had!

There have been so many highlights this year, particularly in the last month: Fulfen's 40th Birthday Bash, Year 4 raising the most money for the raffle competition and our Roman Workshop days!

In Writing, the children created Wanted posters to try and catch The Chunk (the character from our latest text 'The Chocolate Monster'). We have now moved on to journalistic writing where the children are in the process of writing their newspaper articles about The Chunk's suspicious behaviour at the Fulfen birthday bash! Let's see if we can catch him out before the end of the year...

In Maths, the children have been working systematically to solve a number of problems. The Chunk even made an appearance when he asked us to create a factory for him to store all of his chocolate using 2D and 3D shapes with specific perimeters and areas! That cheeky chocolate-lover!

We must say what a pleasure it has been to teach these amazing pupils this past year and we will be extremely sad to see them move into Year 5 in September. We wish them all every success and are very proud of their achievements throughout Year 4!

As always, Year 4 celebrate in style (particularly when winning a whole-school competition) so not only have we danced around the school to the conga, but we will also be having a treat on Monday 16th July!

Have a wonderful summer everyone!

Miss Beg, Mr Wood, Miss Atkinson and Mrs Moore





Y5

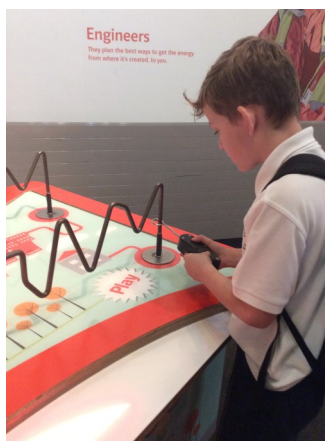
The pupils in Year Five have been working very hard this term. We have all thoroughly enjoyed discovering more about our local area. This included a local walk down to the smallest park in the UK, Princes Park - there wasn't much room to spare when all sixty of us crowded in.



We also linked our Art work to our Topic work and have enhanced our sketching skills by drawing our local area and creating wire sculptures of important local landmarks.

It has been a pleasure to see the pupils so excited about their learning.

A highlight of the term was our trip to Conkers where we experienced life as an ant in the 4D cinema, completed an Orienteering challenge around the park and had fun in the discovery centre.



In English, we have been looking at the power of persuasion. We found out lots of shocking statistics about the effect of too much sugar on children's health and used our influential vocabulary skills to write persuasive letters to politicians and food companies. We are awaiting their responses...

We have also been busy finding out about different forms of poetry and writing our own poems. The children particularly enjoyed the Staff Poetry Slam when members of staff performed their favourite poems and were given star ratings by the pupils!



y6

The weather has been sweltering at Fulfen this half-term as the sun begins to set on Year 6's time at primary school...

There has still been plenty of chance to create fantastic new memories, however! Perhaps the standout event so far has been our school's 40th birthday celebrations and we are immensely proud of all of those who took part in the production or performed brilliantly in the Stars In Their Eyes show - everyone looked great!

To complement the free ice-creams we received, our learning has also reflected a summer theme. In Maths, we looked at potential holiday destinations for teachers as well as opening our own beach shop. Likewise in English, we have written our own summer sonnets having been inspired by the beautiful weather.

We've also found time to be inspired by Banksy to create our own artwork, create blood smoothies in Science and rehearse for our end-of-year production!



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Bienvenido to the Spanish section of Fulfen's newsletter

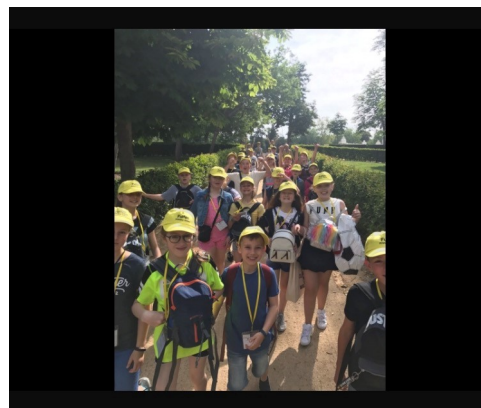


Wow, what a year it has been for our Spanish curriculum!

In May 2018 some of the Year 6 children ventured into the capital city of Spain—Madrid! We had an absolutely fantastic time, tasting Spanish cuisine, experiencing the culture and practising our Spanish accent!

We hope to offer this unique opportunity for our current Year 5 children in May 2019 so please attend our meeting on Thursday 19th July at 6pm if you are interested!

Hasta luego amigos!





Tennis District Finals 27/4/18

We entered 4 teams in the Lichfield and Burntwood tennis tournament held at CTTC. The standard of tennis was very high with some club players competing. I had entered 4 teams with a mix of yr 3 and 4 pupils. Some had played last year, others had played once or twice in PE and shown potential and boy did they fulfill that potential. All 4 teams were unbeaten and we finished in 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th positions. The A team will now compete in the county final which will be played at Stafford on July 5th. Thanks to parents /grandparents for their support and special thanks to Chloe, Lynn and Lisa for making it all possible.



Well done team!!! You were awesome

Tag rugby District Finals 9/5/18

We took 3 teams to the Lichfield and Burntwood finals held at Beacon Park. All 3 teams played some great rugby and both team B and C finished in the top half of their pools. Team A were undefeated and reached the final. The 2 teams they faced were both very strong and we finished in bronze medal position. We will now be going on to the county final which is being held at Barton Rugby Club on the 23rd May. This is only the second time in 8 years that we have got through to a tag rugby county final. Some of the players will be in Spain that week but I'm sure whoever steps in for them will do a great job. Thanks to Harry Knowles and Mrs Gould for their management skills.

Well done teams!

Tennis Team in Top Form: 18/5/18

I took the 3/4 A team, that will be playing in the tennis county finals in July, to play a friendly competition against Millfield. I coached the Millfield team before the game and gave them some tips on playing competitive tennis but they needed a lot longer to come close to our guys. The team were in tremendous form and played some lovely tennis. The team played 18 games and won all 18. Looking good for the finals.

Well done team !!!



Year 3 Girls Football Team v Millfield: 18/5/18

We took the year 3 girls team to Millfield without our regular goalkeeper. Both stand ins, who played 1/2 a game each, in goal, did a great job. This team has massive potential and were in command throughout. Millfield had held trials for this game and played 2 different teams. Our girls were leading 7-0 at half time and added a further 5 to make the final score 12-0. Thanks to Billy G and Mrs Ballet for their input and thanks to all of the parents/grandparents for your great support.



Well done girls!!!

Tag Rugby County Finals 23/5/18

After a brilliant performance at the district finals, we qualified for the tag rugby county final for only the second time in ten years. Unfortunately half of the team were on the trip to Spain. The players I picked to replace them didn't let the team down and all performed to the best of their ability. All of our pool games were close but we didn't make it out of the group stage. The team were given the title of best passing team by the pro ref that was officiating our games, which was a nice accolade. Everyone enjoyed the experience and I'm sure these players will form the core of next years local high school teams. Thanks to parents and grandparents for your support and for providing transport.

Well done team!!!

Rounders Friendly v Lichfield Cathedral School 6/6/18

I took 2 teams of year 3/4 girls to play LCS. We play rounders 4 or 5 times a year whereas LCS play for 6 weeks averaging 4 hours per week. Our girls soon adjusted to the slightly different rules that LCS play and held their own against more experienced opposition. The A team scored 7 rounders while LCS A scored 8 rounders. The girls were unlucky and will be better for the experience. The B team won by 2 rounders to 1 which was a fantastic result when you consider that the team included 5 year 3s who have only played twice before this game.

Thanks to parents/ grandparents for your terrific support and special thanks to Mrs Ballet and Nanny Lynn for your managerial skills.

Well done girls!!!



Burntwood Triathlon 21/6/18

I took 30 children to Burntwood Leisure Centre for the first triathlon trust event held locally. The team were chosen from children that had excelled throughout the year, children that had overcome issues, such as confidence, anger etc and children that had excelled in trying. The course was started with a circular swimming course, followed by a winding bike course and finished with a 500m run. Everyone that took part received a medal for completing the course and all of the competitors had a great time. Thanks to parents/grandparents for your terrific support.



Well done guys!!!

County Finals Day Keele 25/6/18

We had teams in 4 different sports at the county finals in Stoke, which is something to be very proud of. We took 36 children on the day and all came away with an experience that not many children get to have. The paralympics team finished 3rd in their group. Thanks to Mr Furnival for running the team for me. The tri golf team finished in 4th position and were unlucky not to make the podium. Thanks to Jane Gould and Miss Green for running the team. The cross country teams all did well in unbearable temperatures. The year 3 girls team took 1st and 2nd place in their race. The run in over the last 50 metres was the most exciting I've seen at the county finals. Thanks to nanny Lynn for her help. The rugby team, which Miss Atkinson ran, was made up of 10 girls. Obviously some of the other schools had ignored the rule about playing inexperienced players but it didn't put our girls off and they finished in 3rd place which was an amazing result. Thanks to parents/grandparents for your tremendous support.

Well done teams!!!



As you are aware in September we will be going completely “cash less” in school. We will no longer be able to accept cash or cheque payments for trips or school dinners.

Everyone should have received their login details. Once you have received these details, you will be able to activate your account as follows:-

Go to www.parentpay.com

Go to the **Account login** area, top right of the ParentPay website home page.

Click on the **Activate link**

Enter the **Username and password** provided

You can pay money into your account by choosing “Parent Account” and then “Parent Account Credit”. You can then allocate this money to trips or lunch payments.

We would like to thank you for all your support. If you have any questions regarding ParentPay please ring the office on 01543 226070.

