

Weekly News

15th May 2019

Key information for week commencing: **Mon 20th May**

- **Monday** -
- **Tuesday** -
Pathfield buddies
- **Wednesday**
Year 6 - Rugby @ Rugby Club
- **Thursday**
Pathfield buddies
Lost Property Display @ 3pm
- **Friday**
Lower School Friday Sports
Reports to parents
Last day of term
Heatree Payment Deadline

Dear Parents,

The Year 3 residential to Lee Abbey was a great success and provided the children with opportunities to take on new challenges and learn more about themselves as individuals. The Year 3 and 4 Big Event trip to Longleat went very well. The children were a real credit to Pilton Bluecoat Academy and made the day very enjoyable for all the staff members who attended. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank those of you who came to collect the children. The parking situation outside of the school was excellent and the bus drivers were able to drop the children off safely.

On Sunday we held a service at the school which was organised by St Mary's church. The focus was on the charity Christian Aid and in particular the equal rights for girls across the world. The event was well attended and provided us with a great opportunity to join together as a community to consider ways in which we can support each other and others from around the world.

At Pilton Bluecoat CofE Academy we have always recognised the importance of ensuring we offer our pupils a high quality globally thematic curriculum. Over last ten years we have developed a successful partnership with Lourdes Central School in Southern India and El Penascal School in Segovia, Spain. Through these partnerships our children have developed friendships and a better understanding of the world in which they are growing up in.

More recently we have been developing a British Council Connecting Classrooms partnership with Green Valley Hills Primary school in Uganda. Our Year 6 children have been working on an environmental project based on responsible consumption and production. Through their studies they have started to consider how humans are damaging the planet and through this they have been considering

ways in which this can be improved on a local and global scale. As a Church of England school we have also been considering God's creation and celebrating how amazing planet Earth is.

At Green Valley Hills their children have also been completing the same tasks and the end result of the activities will involve the children sharing their work and considering the similarities and differences.

As I write this I am preparing to visit Uganda along with two colleagues to work at the school for a week. Whilst we

Tip 6: AVOID OTHER APP STORES

Put a rule in place that your child can only use the official App Store to download apps and games. Explain why it is wise to only install applications from a trusted source to ensure their device is not affected by security issues or virus attacks.

are there we will be teaching lessons and completing a series of presentations on the education system here in the UK. Along with this we will also be gathering resources which we can bring back to Pilton Bluecoat Academy to further our children's understanding of Uganda. We will also be holding a series of meetings to determine how we can create a sustainable partnership which benefits our children, teachers and school communities for years to come. We are also hoping that we can finalise arrangements for our Ugandan colleagues to visit Pilton Bluecoat in the not too distant future. Finally, I would like to thank those of you who donated football shirts for the children of Green Valley Hills Primary School and also to those children who have written letters for our sponsored child Isaac.

Have a great week,

Best wishes



Mr Thomas

WE NEED YOUR HELP - Umberleigh Park and Play

We have already had 842 votes, which is amazing, but we still need lots more!!!

Umberleigh community are creating a park and play area at the front of the school and have applied for a grant from the Calor Rural Community Fund. This is a public voting funding project and we would appreciate as many people as possible going online to vote for our project. Please register to vote at: <https://www.calor.co.uk/shop/communityfund/account/login> login and click on the 'Vote' button on the Umberleigh project. You'll have 10 votes to use which can **all** be placed against the Umberleigh project. Voting will open on 2nd May and close on the 17th June 2019. Please support our project, which is being spearheaded by the school and the village hall committee, for this exciting development. *Many thanks - Umberleigh Academy and Umberleigh Village Hall Committee.*

TOMORROW

HOT DOG LUNCH

Thursday 16th May

Hot Dog or Veggie Hot Dog

With Chips, Sweetcorn & Salad Bar.

Or Jacket Potato with

Cheese, Beans or Tuna

Ice Cream Or Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt



Head Lice

We are asking all parents to please inspect their children's hair tonight, looking for both lice and eggs.

Here is a link with information on how to treat your child should any lice or eggs be found:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>

We appreciate your cooperation in dealing with this.



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CLUBS

All clubs started this week & children who applied should have heard about their places. We do have some spaces left in the following clubs, if your child is interested in joining, please contact the school office:

- DRAMA
- CRICKET - UPPER & LOWER SCHOOL
- LOWER SCHOOL RECORDERS

Please note that Homework club has now finished.

Cake Sale Total

We raised a total of **£134.78** at our cake sale last week! A big thank you to all who donated cakes. All funds raised will be going towards buying sports equipment for children in Uganda.

Fairview Parking Permits

We have new parking permits for Fairview car park for the summer term. They are available from the office; we will require your car registration plate.

FRIDAY SPORTS SCHEDULE

Date	Planning	Swim	Dance	Basketball	P.E (Mike King)
17-May	Upper School	5PK	5JH	6MT	6SE
24-May	Lower School	4AB	4KD	3CN	3GT
Half Term	Planning	Swim	Dance	Basketball	P.E (Mike King)
07-Jun	Upper School	5JH	5PK	6SE	6MT
14-Jun	Lower School	4KD	4AB	3GT	3CN
21-Jun	Upper School	5JH	5PK	6SE	6MT
28-Jun	Lower School	4KD	4AB	3GT	3CN
05-Jul	Upper School	5JH	5PK	6SE	6MT
12-Jul	Lower School	4KD	4AB	3GT	3CN
19-Jul	Upper School	5JH	5PK	6SE	6MT

RESIDENTIAL PAYMENTS

DEADLINE

YEAR 6 HEATREE -

Full payment deadline

24th May 2019

YEAR 4 ROADFORD -

Full payment deadline

31st May 2019

SCOOTERS

A REMINDER TO ALL PARENTS,
THAT CHILDREN/SIBLINGS ARE
NOT TO USE SCOOTERS ON THE
PLAYGROUND.



Dinner Menu

Week Commencing Monday 20th May



All meals are served with a selection of fresh vegetables and fruit.
Jacket potato options are available every day with cheese, beans or tuna

OPTION	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Purple Option	BBQ Quorn Burger with Jacket Wedges	Pork Sausages with Creamy Mash	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Pasta Bolognese	Crispy Fish & Chips
Green Option	Mediterranean Tart with Pesto Pasta	Vegetarian Sausages with Creamy Mash	Cauliflower & Creamed Corn Bake with Roast Potatoes	Mild Chickpea Curry with Rice	Baked Bean & Cheese Quesadilla with Chips
Pudding	Chocolate Sponge Cake with Custard	Strawberry Sponge Swirl	Crunchy Chocolate Biscuit	Apple & Carrot Slice	Oatie Biscuit with Fruit Slices



Lost Property Display

Thursday 23rd May

School Hall

3pm





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SUMMER TERM - DATES TO REMEMBER

Date	Event
Year 6 SATS Week	13 th - 17 th May
Hot Dog Lunch	Thursday 16 th May
Lost Property Display	Thursday 23 rd May
Reports to parents	Friday 24 th May
Half term	27 th - 31 st May
Non pupil day	Monday 3 rd June
Roadford Residential - Year 4	5 th - 7 th June
Parent Forum @ 2.15pm	Thursday 13 th June
Oceanfest - Year 6	Friday 21 st June
Heatree Residential - Year 6	24 - 28 th June
Non Heatree Activities Week - Year 6	24 - 28 th June
Year 6 Head's Lunch	Tuesday 2 nd July
Whole School Move Up Day	Thursday 4 th July
Sports Day	Friday 5 th July
Essex Dance	Friday 12 th July
Last day of term	Wednesday 24 th July

Please also check your child's pupil planner for particular information related to them personally

2019/2020 Term Dates

Autumn Term		Spring Term		Summer Term	
First day	9 th Sept	First day	6 th Jan	First day	15 th April
Half-term	21 st - 25 th Oct	Half-term	17 th - 21 st Feb	Bank Holiday	4 th May
Last day	20 th Dec	Last day	27 th March	Half-term	25 th - 29 th May
				Last day	22 nd July

Non pupil days - 4th, 5th and 6th September 2019, 14th April 2020, 23rd July 2020



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A number of staff members (including Mrs Pearce, Mrs Rigler, Ms Laird, Mrs Northmore and Mrs Tewkesbury) will be taking part in the Night Walk, raising money for The North Devon Hospice next Saturday (18th May). If you would like to sponsor them, Mrs Tewkesbury has set up a Just Giving page that you can donate to directly. The link is:

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/GillTewkesbury>



Celebration Assembly

Handwriting Heroes

Year 5 - Lucy Bunting

Year 6 - Amelia Sanders

Work

Year 4 - Longleat trip, the children were amazing!

Riley Griffin & Ella John - BLP in Maths

Jonas Edwards - Letter to Longleat

Elsa Jones & Katie Lewis - Fantastic learning in Maths

Millie Lavercombe - Medals

Izzy Down & Thomas Baglow - Wonderful girl & robot story

Jasmin Martin & Mackenzie Mitchell - Maths

Contribution

Tennis Players

Exmoor Challenge group of 12

20 Merits

Zac Elston

40 Merits

Max Lavercombe, Max Eves, Frank Gough, Joe Passmore, Ellie Carmen-Parkin,

Bethany Chugg, Oliver Keenan, Billy Rees-Cooper, Elsa Jones, Finn Crowther,

Alannah Wallas, Emily Lofthouse & Chloe-Jo Waldron

60 Merits

Evie Brayley, Jessica Baglow, Jesse Bunker Wood, Ellie Thomas, Kai Buchanan, Lola

Curno, Amelia Sanders, Isaac Wells & Logan Curno

80 Merits

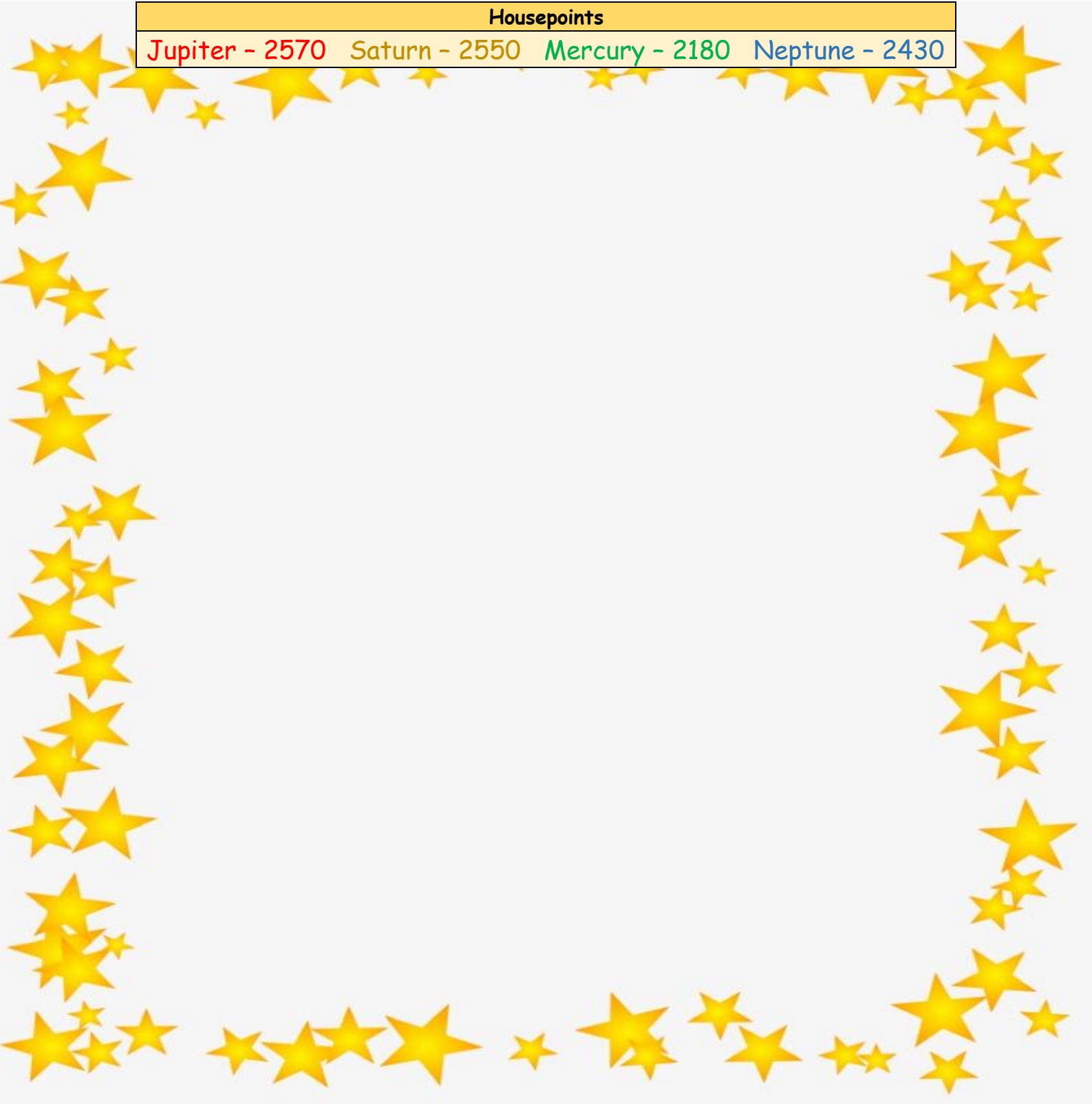
Alex Meller



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Housepoints

Jupiter - 2570 Saturn - 2550 Mercury - 2180 Neptune - 2430





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St Mary's, Pilton invites you to



"Jesus is Risen"



Saturday 18th May

At 4pm

Craft, celebration & meal