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Happy Easter

We've reached the end of another term of exciting learning, marvelous mistakes and amazing progress. Thank you to all parents and carers who joined us for our Easter service. It's always lovely to come together as a school community. Enjoy the break and we look forward to seeing everyone back rested and recharged on Monday 17th April.

Save the Date!

We shall be celebrating King Charles III's Coronation on Friday 5th May and would like to invite you to join us. Each class/key stage will



be giving a performance. EYFS will perform first thing in the morning, KS1 before lunch followed by KS2 in the afternoon. Timings and more information to follow. The children are encouraged to dress up as kings and queens on that day.

International Maths Day

Birklands Primary School has made it on to the



international Maths website for their comic challenges completed in Wren class (Nursery). Take a look for yourselves <u>Comic Maths Challenge</u> what an achievement! Well done Wren Class.

Bike & Scooter Racks

It's great that we have lots of children choosing to ride or scoot to school, but for everyone's safety they should not be left leaning against the entry ramp. Please encourage your child to put their bike or scooter in the rack of a morning. We have ordered an additional rack so there should be plenty of space.

KS1 Dance Club

On Monday 24th April we shall be introducing a KS1
Dance Club. This will run from 3:10pm until 4pm every Monday.

Places are limited so please collect a form from the school office when we return after the Easter break.

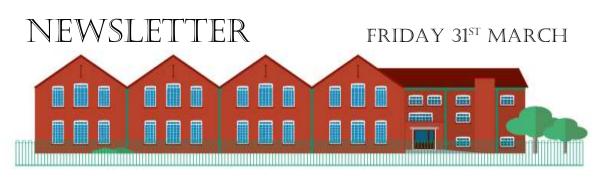
Letter to the Prime Minster

Following the recent teachers' strike action, Praise in Kittiwake class (Y4) wasn't happy with the situation and decided she should make her feelings known...to the Prime Minster! She wrote a letter and received a prompt response (see letter below). We're proud, Praise, that you feel you can speak out about issues that are important to you.

Uniform Direct

Reminder that we no longer stock school uniform. It is now available via Uniform Direct click <u>here</u>.

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White Post Farm

Robin and Puffin had an fantastic trip to White Post Farm last Thursday. The children handled the animals, had a field walk and enjoyed the play equipment. Their behaviour was exemplary and I know they thoroughly enjoyed themselves.





Police Workshop

We were visited by four police officers on Monday who spent the day working with each class. The children were able to explore the police vehicles and were spoken to about how to stay safe in the community and online. The children witnessed various staff being 'arrested' and put in the police van, but we can confirm that they have been 'released'!



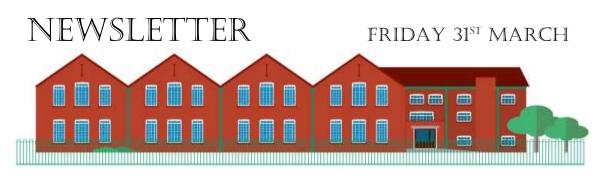
Squid Accounts

It is really important that Squid dinner money accounts are kept in credit. If your account goes overdrawn, we will only be able to offer your child a sandwich for lunch until the balance is cleared.

Dates for your Diary

Diary Dates			
03.04.23	Easter Holidays		
14.04.23			
17.04.23	Bring Your	2:00 pm	
	Grown-up to	- 3:00 pm	
	Wren class		
18.04.23	Y1 parents/carers	9:00 am	
	Phonics Meeting	- 9:45 am	
	& Workshop		
20.04.23	Y2 parents/carers	3:15 pm	
	SATs Meeting	- 4:00 pm	
01.04.23	May Day Bank		
	Holiday		
05.05.23	King's Coronation		
00.05.00	Playground Party		
08.05.23	King's		
	Coronation		
09.05.23	Bank Holiday Y3 & 4 to		
09.05.25	Creswell Crags		
09.05.23	KS2 SATs		
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12.05.23			
19.05.23	Y5 & 6 Road		
	Safety		

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29.05.23	Half term	
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02.06.23		



From the Direct Communications Unit

27 March 2023

Ms Praise Iguodala Birklands Primary School Appleton Street Warsop Mansfield NG20 00F

Dear Praise

I am writing on behalf of the Prime Minister to thank you for your letter of 27 March, about ongoing strike action.

The Government understands your frustrations and recognises the disruptions these strikes brings to people and society. I would like to assure you that the Government is working tirelessly to manage the impact of strike action, whilst etssuring we can continue to deliver vital services to the poblic. The Government also appreciates the worry strike action has on people and I would like to reassure you that the Government is committed to keeping the public safe and have robust contingency plans in place.

The Government will also be introducing new laws to mitigate the disruption of strike action. The new laws will allow the Government to set minimum levels of service which must be met during strikes to ensure the safety of the public and their access to public services. This principle is already recognised in many countries across the world, such as Italy and Spain, where systems for applying minimum levels during strikes are in place for services the public depend on.

The Government does appreciate that the rising cost of living is a key driver to ongoing strike action. The Government's plan to halve inflation this year is the best approach to ease cost pressures for everyone and that means looking at public sector pay to ensure its both affordable and does not fair higher price. It is by constructive discussion, not striking, that will end these

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disputes and give the public the service they deserve. The Government will continue to have constructive discussions with unions about what is affordable and fair. The door always remains open for union leaders to continue negatiations and the Government stands ready to facilitate talks between all parties whenever helpful.

Thank you, once again, for writing.

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Correspondence Officer

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