



Dear Parents and Carers,

Newsletter 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023

The end of our first week back and everyone is practicing ready for sports day on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June. The children are all really excited and eager to show their sporting prowess. We have also hosted our first parent/grandparent lunch for Willow and Ash and this evening will see the crowning of our new Rose King and Queen.

This has been a village tradition dating back into the previous century and is a lovely event. Each year a Rose Queen is chosen and for a year she supports a local charity of her choice and represents Smallwood at a wide range of events. However, we started a new tradition last year and we now also have a Rose King! Our retiring Rose King and Queen have had a fantastic year supporting their charities and our own parish Church of St John's. They have worked extremely hard and we are very proud of all they have achieved. Logan and Katerina will now end their reign and hand over to our new King Oliver Johnstone and new Queen, Isabelle Lee.

Please keep a close eye on our calendar on the website - there are a lot of events coming up at this time of the year and we don't want anyone missing out.

Have a lovely weekend

Iestyn Lewis

## Sports Day

To bring a more competitive element to our Sports Day on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June, we have put all the children into one of four teams - Green, Yellow, Red and Blue.

Entry for parents and carers will be the gate to the field via the ramp. Please bring a chair/blanket to sit on, arriving at 1pm to be seated before the track events promptly start at 1:15pm. All the track events will take place across the afternoon.

As the rest of your child's PE kit will already be in school, children will get changed into their shorts and trainers in school. Please ensure your child has a suitable PE kit in school before this date, along with a sun hat, sun cream and water bottle as normal.





## PTFA - new Chair!

Over the last 2 years, Claire Pear, Jess Johal and their army of helpers have done a fantastic job of getting the PTFA back up and running and have raised thousands of pounds for our school. Money has gone towards the new trim trail, our library, theatre trip, Christmas presents and Leavers' gifts - just to name some of the great things we have been able to benefit from. At our meeting yesterday (Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June), Katy Goodwin was elected as our new Chair. I'm sure the excellent work that has been done will continue. I would like to take an opportunity, on behalf of us all, to thank Jess and Claire for their unwavering support, determination and hard work in giving so much of their time and energy to our school.



## The Smallwood 100 mile Challenge

On Wednesday, the whole school gathered to collectively walk 100 miles for Logan Smith's Rose King Charity, Pancreatic Cancer. Logan raised £100.32 just from this one event - well done Logan and everyone that took part!



## Lunchtime

Lunchtimes at Smallwood are always full of chatter, fun and games but we are noticing that a number of children are not finishing their lunches and therefore there is quite a bit of food waste. We encourage children to eat well and to make sure that they have eaten as much as they can. Can we please ask that you have a chat at home to support this and to go through the menu with your children and explain what some meals are so they are ordering what they know they will like and eat.



## Photographs

Class photos will be taken next Wednesday morning - 14<sup>th</sup> June.





## Suncream, hats and Water

With the sun making an appearance, can we please ask that children come to school with a (named) water bottle and hat. If you could also apply suncream in the morning we would very much appreciate this - there are some great long-lasting brands available. Thank you!



## Calendar

You will find all upcoming events on the calendar on our school website -

<http://www.smallwood.cheshire.sch.uk/events>