Family Update

6th May 2022



Updates

Hello everyone, we hope you have all had a lovely week and enjoyed your bank holiday.

The four day week has definitely not held us back. There is an excitement and buzz around school as we prepare for a flurry of upcoming special events.

All through school, preparations for our Rainbow Day on 27th May - 'ONE LIFE, ONE LOVE' - are taking place. All students are participating in learning focused on our shared vision of equality and respect for all. We are so proud of our pupils for their ability to be so open and honest with their feelings and views. Their continued acceptance of others regardless of difference is a true inspiration to us all, and a credit to their families.

Beech class have been busy finding out about the day the Queen opened Saxon Hill in 1980. They are collecting information and photographs and sending them along with an invitation to the Queen herself to visit us again during our Queen's Day celebration on 10th June. This has been particularly engaging for pupils who spent their primary years with us, as they wrote to her in 2012 and received a letter back thanking them for her invitation. We are looking forward to finding out if Beech class receive a royal response and will share this exciting news as soon as we hear.

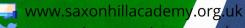
The Towards Independence department are also full of excitement as they begin to finalise plans for their Prom later in the term. So although we continue with caution recognising and adapting to COVID, we are finally feeling hope and are excited to see you during some of these times of celebration.

Enjoy your weekend, from your Leadership Team





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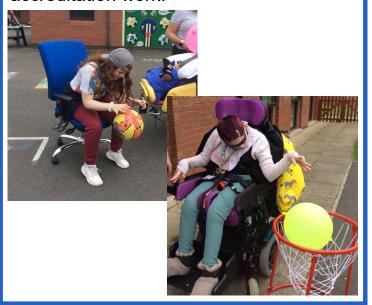
Mel Newbury & Helen Bowers

COVID phone for reports of a pupil's Covid symptoms or positive test 07957 309912

Health and Fitness Week

This week Hornbeam class have been enjoying their Health and Fitness week. Pupils have been learning all about how to stay healthy, from diet to exercise to mental health. Pupils have also loved trying new sports, such as volleyball, basketball and wheelchair yoga.

This has also given pupils a great opportunity to work towards some accreditation work.



Queen's Day

This year's Queens day will take place on 10th June and will follow the theme of a '1950s Royal Tea Party'. The Friends of Saxon Hill are well underway with lots of fantastic plans from games, visiting animals and live music. This day will also mark the opening of our Memorial Garden and 40th Anniversary Garden. We are also very excited about being able to invite parents into school to come and enjoy this day with pupils and staff.

Please see flyer on the next page for further details.



Parents Recommend

We are looking to trial a new section of the Family Update Newsletter, where parents can share or recommend activities, places, groups or websites etc. that would benefit our pupils.

If you have anything you would like to share, please email it to:

emily.thompson@saxonhill.shaw-education.org.uk

We will then aim to include these in future newsletters to help share all your expert knowledge.



Key Dates

9th May—Explorers and Investigators Learning Conference

27th May—Rainbow Day

30th May—3rd June—Half Term

10th June—Queen's Day

29th June—Sports Day

1st July—Inset Day

8th July—Sleepover Graduation





Saxon Hill Academy 1950's Royal Tea Party

You are invited to join us in celebrating the Queens Platinum Jubilee

> Friday 10th June 2022 12.00pm - 2.00pm

Grand Opening of 40th Anniversary
Garden and Memorial Garden

Action for Children Aiming High Social

Action for Children

Meal

Tuesday 17th May

5pm—7pm

Brewers Fayre Redhill

Ages 8—17 years







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- A great opportunity to socialize
- Build relationships
- Share knowledge and experiences
- Gain confidence
- Interact in the community

To book a place at the table or if you have any questions please call 0300 111 8007

(Option 2, then option 5)

Come along and join the fun at the Superworm Trail in Cannock Chase Forest



Sunday 8th May 2022 11:00 am -13:00 pm Family Superworm Trail and Ice Cream



Grab a Superworm trail pack and take part in the Superworm trail at Cannock Chase, whilst meeting up with new families, enjoying the great outdoors and being on the lookout for birds and other wildlife. Ice creams are on us!



If you would like to take part in an activity or have any questions please call

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