



## PTA May Fair Success!

It was lovely to see so many faces at our May Fair on Saturday. We did rather well with the weather in the end—although those of us who stayed behind to clear up took a bit of a soaking! There were a large range of activities for the children to take part in and it was also fantastic to see the entertainment from our children including musical moments led by Miss Wray, May Pole dancing and gymnastics with Mrs Johnson and beautifully choreographed dancing led by Jenny Marie.

Enormous thanks go to our PTA chair Carlee Herst Haywood and the rest of the PTA committee for another expertly organised fair and to the many parents and staff who helped on stalls and with the setting up and packing up.

A phenomenal amount of money was raised—we now have enough for our upper hall refurbishment to include new flooring, curtains/blinds and a new audio visual system.

Many thanks indeed for your generosity!



## Sports Day Arrangements 2019

Due to the extra number of pupils in Key Stage 2 this year we have had to amend the dates for our Sports days this year so that we can allow for the same number of events. We will now run the Sports Days over 3 days which will mean that children will continue to be able to take part in a large amount of sport over the day with plenty of races.

Year 3 and 4 will have their events on Monday 8th July starting at 1 p.m.

Reception parents are invited for the morning of Tuesday 9th July at 9 a.m.

with parents from Years 1 and 2 coming to the afternoon session which starts at 1 p.m.

Finally parents from Years 5 and 6 are invited for the afternoon of Wednesday 10th July which starts at 1 p.m.

The 3 day system will then work going forward into future years as we have further classes going into Key Stage 2.



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## Year 5 and 6 Residential Trips

By the time you read this Year 6 will have nearly completed their Norfolk Lakes outdoor adventure week at Manor Adventure and I will be in France with Year 5 in at Hotel du Moulin aux Draps.

It promises to be an exciting week for our older junior children.

I am sure that they will all need a long hard rest when they come back.

Many thanks to all of the adults who have given up their time this week to take them and look after them.

We look forward to telling you more about the 2 trips in our next newsletter in June.



## Great Fire of London Day

The 'History off the Page' company visited Garden Fields last week as part of Year 2's Great Fire of London Topic.

The children got the opportunity to both study and make a range of artefacts from the period and use role play to get a real historical insight into the period.

They also had their own archaeological dig - in which they had to dig out artefacts from a range of boxes and then try to guess which type of shop they had come from.

It was an excellent day which really brought their history topic alive.





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# Garden Fields Golf Winners for the 7th Year!

**A number of children from Year four attended the recent local primary schools' district Tri Golf competition at Oaklands College.**

**Tri golf is a children's version of golf which uses plastic equipment to teach the rudiments of the game.**

**We took three teams to the tournament and they did very well to finish in 8th, 3rd and 1st place out of about 12 teams.**

**Garden Fields have had the winning team seven times in a row now!**

**Many thanks to Mrs Johnson and the other adults who took our children and supported them and well done to all of the children who participated.**





## May Achievements

These children from **Willow** class recently came to show me their excellent work:

**Afonso** – for a brilliant poem about the colour pink with exceptional use of language

**Thomas** - for a super piece of writing about going up to the top of the Clock Tower in St Albans

## Other Achievements

Other children had notable achievements outside of school.

Tia in Year 3 ran her 50th park run this month and recently achieved a new personal best by almost 2 minutes, at 25 mins 45 secs.

This week Tia also competed in the Tiska National Kyu Grade Championships (karate) at Hertfordshire Sports Village, where she won the under 8's girls' green belt sparring competition.

Also at the weekend, a number of our children took part in the St Albans Charity Cycle Ride including– Zachary (Y5) and Oliver (Y1), Suhaila (Y5) and Sumaya (Y4) and our very own Mrs Dorman!



Have a great HALF-TERM next week!

We will see you all again on Monday 3rd June.