



Dear Parents, Pupils and Staff,

**It has been another action packed week at Arthur Bugler!** This week's newsletter covers a number of trips and visitors to school but I also want to keep you up to date with a number of up and coming events. A number of parents have asked questions about 'Grandparents Day' and 'Language & Culture Week' – so hopefully I will be able to answer your questions.

I could tell it was class photos for the children in KS2 this week. Once again everyone looked really smart and the hairstyles were perfect! It was lovely to see lots of smiles and I am looking forward to seeing the end product. I have already booked next year's photos. There will be individual and siblings in October and class photos for the whole school in June. Very organised I know!

Children in Years 2, 3 & 4 were fortunate to have a fantastic performance from Image Theatre on Wednesday afternoon. Following the performance of 'The Jungle Book' some children were selected to take part and perform themselves. Lots of fun was had by all and some children certainly showed that they are budding actors!

Children in Years 5 and 6 were fortunate enough to visit the Royal Opera House, Purfleet on Wednesday to see the BBC Symphony Orchestra Ten Pieces Concert. This was a live classical concert, specifically aimed at introducing young children to this genre of music. They also had the opportunity to perform 'Zadok the Priest' and 'Connect It' (a body percussion piece), with the Orchestra and the BBC Choir. The children faces were a joy to behold as they were mesmerised by the sights and sounds around them. Some comments from the children included: "When can we go again?", "Different to what I thought, in a good way.", "Good but went too quickly!" and "A lifetime experience." A successful visit enjoyed by all. This will hopefully inspire the adults and children in their musical pursuits next year. Many thanks to the volunteers and governors who gave up their time to accompany the children.



On Thursday all of the children in Year 5 took part in 'Taiko' Drumming. This is a very energetic type of drumming. It was fantastic to see the children immerse themselves in a new form of music and exercise at the same time! The drumming could be heard all around the school and the visitors commented on how impressed they were with the children's attitude to learning a new form of music. Since my arrival, I have been so impressed with the quality of music opportunities provided by the staff at Arthur Bugler. Particular thanks must go to Mrs Stubley for organising these events for the children.

	This week the <b>Attendance Bears</b> have been awarded to			
	<b>KS1</b>	<b>JADE</b>	<b>Mrs Green</b>	<b>100%</b>
	<b>KS2</b>	<b>TOPAZ</b>	<b>Mrs Roberts/ Mr Thomas</b>	<b>98%</b>
	<b><i>Congratulations to both classes!</i></b>			
	<b>Whole School Attendance</b>			<b>96.5%</b>



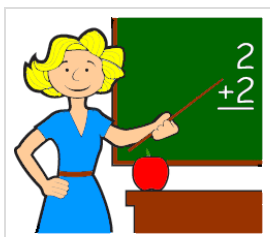
### PTA Pamper Night

Don't forget that the PTA's Pamper Night takes place tonight! Lots of people have booked treatments and I am sure a good night will be had by all. It isn't too late to attend – the more the merrier!



### Year 2/3 Transition Event (Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June)

This will take place in the KS2 hall between 2.15pm and 3.45pm on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June. The afternoon is set up as a 'drop in' and parents are invited to attend at any time between 2.15pm and 3.45pm. There will be opportunities to look at some work from Year 3 children, explore the topics covered throughout the year, speak to some of the children and ask questions of the Senior Leadership Team. There will also be refreshments. There is no need to book and we look forward to seeing as many parents as possible.



### Transition Week (Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July)

The children will find out who their teacher will be in September on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June. The children will then spend the whole week in their new class with their new teacher. This is a great opportunity for the children and staff to get to know each other and it will also allow for a smooth transition in September when the children return after the summer holidays. More information to follow.



### Building Competition

Thank you to everyone who entered the competition. I will take all of the entries home and ask Mrs. Bryant (yes Mrs) to judge the eventual winners.

Watch this space...



### Open Evening (Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July)

During Transition Week all parents are invited to school to see teachers informally and look at work carried out throughout the year. This is also a perfect opportunity to meet your child's new teacher. All members of the Senior Leadership Team will also be available. We look forward to seeing as many families as possible

**First session 3.30pm – 5.00pm**

**Second session 5.30pm – 7.00pm**



### Language & Culture Week

This year the whole school will be learning about a country in Africa during Language & Culture week. The teachers have planned a number of exciting activities which will allow the children to find out as much as possible about a country in Africa. Some of the children will also have the opportunity to take part in African drumming. Each class will be informed of which country they are focusing on for that week nearer the time.



### Gymnast Visit

We have been very fortunate to have secured a visit from **Danny Lawrence** who is a British Gymnast. He will be in school all day on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July. The children will take part in a keep fit circuit with him and there will be an assembly for KS1 and KS2 where he will talk about life as an athlete as well as a performance of some of his gymnastic skills. A letter with more information will be sent out next week

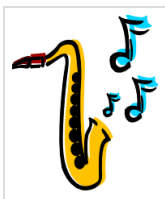


### Grandparents Celebration (Monday 6<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July – 1.30pm – 3pm)

Lots of people have been asking for more information about this event so here goes...

We have decided to have 2 'Grandparent Celebration' afternoons to ensure that the whole school can invite their grandparents. It will be the same performance on both days. Some of the children will be performing a number of routines and there will be performances from the school choir. Refreshments will be provided afterwards.

A letter will be sent out next week with further information!



### Music Lessons

There is a wide range of music lessons available for pupils in years 3 – 6. Lessons cost £50 per term. Please speak to the school office regarding any concessions in price. If your child is interested they can collect a letter from the office.



### LETTERS SENT HOME THIS WEEK

- Sports Day Arrangements (Whole School) – Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June
- PGL Residential (Year 5) – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June
- Year 6 Leavers fair (Whole school) – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June
- Year 6 Bike ability – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES...



### JUNE

Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Trip	Year 2 Watt Tyler Trip
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	AM	Sports Day
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup>	AM	Year 6 Leavers Fair (In School)
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup>	2.15pm – 3.45pm	Year 2 – 3 Transition Drop In (Venue TBC)
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup>	<b>NON PUPIL DAY</b>	
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	All Week	Transition Week

<b>JULY</b>		
<b>Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>In School</b>	<b>Open Evening 3.30pm – 5pm &amp; 5.30pm – 7pm</b>
<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> – Friday 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>All Week</b>	<b>Book Fair</b>
<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> – Friday 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>All Week</b>	<b>Language &amp; Culture Week</b>
<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>PM</b>	<b>Celebration For Grandparents</b>
<b>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>PM</b>	<b>Celebration For Grandparents</b>
<b>Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>In School</b>	<b>Reserve Sports Day</b>
<b>Thursday 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>Borough Olympics</b>
<b>Thursday 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>After School</b>	<b>Reports Sent To Parents</b>
<b>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>In School</b>	<b>Non Uniform Day – Dress Sparty Gymnast Visit</b>
<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Trip</b>	<b>Year 6 Residential</b>
<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>In School</b>	<b>Year 4 End of Year Celebration (1.45pm)</b>
<b>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>In School</b>	<b>Year 1 End of Year Celebration (9.15am)</b>
<b>Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>In School</b>	<b>Year 3 End of Year Celebration (9.15am)</b>
<b>Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>PM</b>	<b>KS1 Disco (During School)</b>
<b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>In School</b>	<b>Year 2 End of Year Celebration (9.15am)</b>
<b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Trip</b>	<b>Junior Music Festival (Rehearsal 9am - 3pm) Evening Performance 7.30pm at Civic Hall</b>
<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>In School</b>	<b>EYFS End of Year Celebration (9.15am)</b>
<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>In School</b>	<b>Year 5 End of Year Celebration (1.45pm)</b>
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>In School</b>	<b>Year 6 End of Year Celebration (9.15am)</b>
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>After School</b>	<b>KS2 Disco</b>
<b>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>In School</b>	<b>Last day of term</b>

Yours sincerely,

*J. A. Bryant*  
Headteacher

**NON PUPIL DAYS**  
**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June,**  
**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September**