



Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2022

Dear parents/carers,

I hope that you and your families are safe and well. We have had another very busy and exciting week in our academy, which included 25 of our Year 6 cohort leaving for a 3 day residential to London. I hope that you have been enjoying the pictures shared via our Twitter and Facebook pages of their visit. A full report and photos will be shared on next week's newsletter.



## Year 5 CSIA Primary Workshops

Year 5 have had a busy start to the week starting with a science workshop on Monday at Hayle Academy, learning about Alkali and Acids.

On Tuesday, the children attended a full morning workshop at CSIA learning about planets in the Planetarium, including an overview of space. Their second workshop introduced the children to a variety of animals and insects. They were able to hold and find out more information about Boa snakes, scorpions, barn owls and skunks. Their final workshop saw the children take part in some amazing chemistry experiments involving explosions and they also had a go at making a rainbow in a tube. CSIA then provided a sausage and chips lunch in their canteen, before the children returned to school for a brief time before heading off to Hayle Academy for a second time this week to learn about The Black Death in a "horrible history" session. We would like to thank CSIA and Hayle for putting on these amazing workshops and inviting us to take part.



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## Year 4 Orienteering

On Wednesday afternoon, Year 4 participated in orienteering for their PE lesson. The children were able to mark on the map of the school the different locations that they went to. In groups, they hid items and marked on the map where they were hidden ready for other members of their group to find. The entire class worked really well and impressed with their map reading skills. Well done Year 4!



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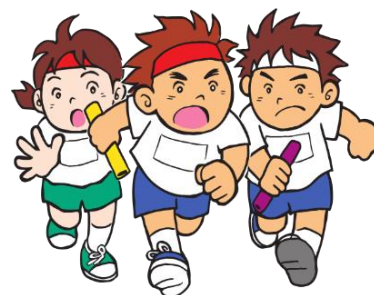
## Rescheduled Sports Day – Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2022

On Sports Day we are delighted to be able to invite parents/carers to join us in cheering on all the children as they take part in a variety of events.

Parents/carers should **arrive between 1:00pm and 1:15pm** and access the site **via the green gate at the top of the field**. The gate will **close at 1:15pm** to ensure we can bring the children out safely onto the field for a prompt 1:30pm start.

A limited number of chairs will be available for parents/carers, but if you would like to bring your own blanket/rug, please place these on the ground in front of the chairs.

Refreshments will be available to buy from the 'Friends of Connor Downs Academy'.



## Menu Change – Sports Day – Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July



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## Friends of Connor Downs Academy – Summer Raffle

Our Friends are holding a Summer Raffle to raise funds for some much needed musical instruments, which will benefit the whole school population now and in the future.

Thank you to all those parents, community and businesses who have already donated a raffle prize. We currently have:



- ❖ £20 M & S Voucher donate by Parm Mattu Mortgage & Protection Advisor
- ❖ £20 BeachFIT Hayle Gift Voucher
- ❖ 3 x Handmade cushions donated by the Rogers family
- ❖ Richards Farm Shop mini hamper
- ❖ £10 Whirlwind Sports Voucher
- ❖ Philips Pasties Voucher
- ❖ £5 Mr B's voucher and bag
- ❖ Penwith Pitch & Putt Voucher – 1 round for 4 people
- ❖ Penwith Pitch & Putt Football Golf Voucher – 1 round for 4 people
- ❖ Penwith Pitch & Putt Crazy Golf Voucher – 1 round for 4 people
- ❖ Bottle of Wine
- ❖ Chocolates
- ❖ Toy Story Jigsaw
- ❖ 2 x £10 Gift Vouchers for Lily Rose in Hayle
- ❖ £10 Trevaskis Farm Voucher

If you or anyone you know owns a local business and would still be willing to donate a raffle prize please email [hello@connordowns.org.uk](mailto:hello@connordowns.org.uk) or pass donations to Mrs Gallagher in the school office.

All donations, no matter how small, will be greatly appreciated.

We will be sending books of raffle tickets home with every child next week. Each book contains 5 tickets, each priced at £1. You may purchase as few or as many as you like. If you require more tickets for family and friends, please see Mrs Gallagher in the school office. Please return all ticket stubs and cash in a sealed named envelope to the school office. **All ticket Stubs and monies should be returned to school no later than Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2022.**

**The raffle will be drawn in the last week of term.**

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**Diary Dates – Remainder of Summer Term**

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July – Year 5 Climbing & Orienteering at CSIA  
 Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July – Year 1 & 2 Beach Day  
 Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July – Moving Up Morning  
 Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Climbing & Orienteering at CSIA  
 Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July – Reports home to parents/carers  
 Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July – Year 5 Music Fiesta at Hayle Academy  
 Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July – Year R – Swimming – week 6 (final session)  
 Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July – Sports Day  
 Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Prom – 6pm – 9pm @ St Ives Harbour Hotel  
 Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Leavers Church Service and Assembly  
 Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July – Last day of Term – **2pm Finish**

**Attendance**

<b>Attendance</b> Our school target for attendance is 96%		
1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Year 6	98.4 %

**Shine Celebrations**

Please see below our Shining Stars for this week.

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## Connor Downs Academy Shining Stars Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2022

We are delighted to be able to invite the parents/carers of the winners below to join us at our next Shine assembly, on **Friday 8th July** to see their child receive their certificate.

Please come along to the main reception **no earlier than 2:35pm**. A special well done to:

### **Year R – Kingsley**

For his increased confidence and enthusiasm during play with his friends. Well done Kingsley!

### **Year 1 – Tommy**

For his amazing progress in phonics and reading and for being such a helpful member of the class. Well done Tommy!

### **Year 2 – Phoenix**

For his incredible maths work on time. Phoenix has concentrated so hard to tell the time and can now recognise o'clock, half past and quarters. Well done Phoenix!

### **Year 3 – Bella**

For fantastic work on homework tasks this term, creating a lovely Roman mosaic at home. Well done Bella!

### **Year 4 – Ben**

For always showing great behaviour for learning and being an all-round amazing role model. Well done Ben!

### **Year 5 – Beth**

For being incredibly brave by holding a BOA snake during our CSIA workshop. Well done Beth!

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## **Writer – Leo (Year 2)**

For writing an amazing account of 'A day in the life of a child in Brazil'. Leo used fantastic vocabulary with the correct punctuation to create a wonderful piece of writing. Well done Leo!

## **EYFS/KS1 Reader – Spencer (Year R)**

For his enthusiasm for reading both in school and at home. Spencer has now been moved to a higher level for his reading. Well done Spencer!

## **KS2 Reader – Lowen (Year 3)**

For reading consistently over and above his target every night. One night this week he read 50 pages! Well done Lowen!

## **Mathematician – Cooper (Year 4)**

For consistently working hard in maths, being able to apply his existing learning to new concepts and always trying his hardest to show his learning in assessments. Well done Cooper!

## **Performer – Willow (Year 5)**

For her wonderful performance during the Chemistry experiment as part of the Year 5 visit to CSIA, always thinking about the safety and others around her. Well done Willow!

## **Citizen – Harriet (Year 1)**

For being polite, extremely helpful and an excellent role model. You can always rely on Harriet to make the right choices and help her friends do the same. Well done Harriet!

Kind Regards,

Mrs Eddy  
Head of School