



Friday 12th July 2024

Dear parents/carers,

I hope that you and your families are safe and well. We have had another very busy and exciting time in school this week.

Year 1 – Paradise Park



Last Friday, Year 1 enjoyed a lovely trip to Paradise Park. Despite the rainy conditions, they saw lots of different birds, baby otters and a baby penguin. They also completed the Super Parrot workshop, where they consolidated their knowledge on herbivores,



omnivores and carnivores and deciduous and evergreen trees. A highlight for Year 1 was a Jungle Barn, soft play session, in the afternoon. Thank you to all the parent/carers who supported on this trip.



Year 5 – Cricket finals

On Tuesday our Year 5 cricket team, followed in the footsteps of our Year 3 and Year 4 teams in playing in their County final.

After some fantastic performances, the team won the tournament to finish County Champions in the Year 5 age group.

We would like to say a huge thank you to all the parents/carers for all their amazing support on the day!

This brings to an end an incredibly successful summer of cricket where Connor Downs Academy have truly shone! Well done to every player who took part in every competition from all year groups and we look forward to another incredible season next year!



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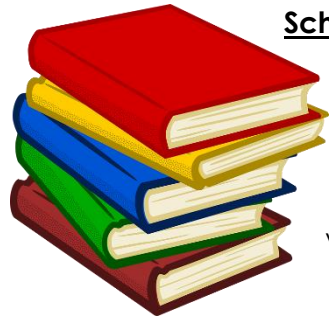


Reports

End of year reports have been sent home today with every child. If your child is not in school today, they will receive their report on Monday. We hope you enjoy reading the report and we encourage parents/carers to use the comments page for feedback. Please pass the comments page back to your child's class teacher. Thank you for your continued support.



School Books



Next Friday, 19th July, we will be sending your child's/children's exercise books and work folders home with them for you to keep. Please can we ask that each child brings in 2 shopping bags for this purpose. Thank you! As Year 6 are away next Friday on their London Residential, their books will go home with them on the 22nd July. Thank you!

Savvy Studios – 'Elements' Showcase

Last weekend, a number of our pupils who are members of Savvy Studios in Hayle, took part in the Studios biggest ever dance showcase held at the Hall for Cornwall. This was an amazing opportunity to perform on such a huge stage and everyone performed brilliantly! We are so proud of every one of them!



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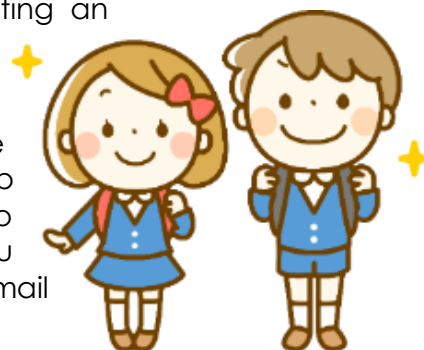
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Pre-Loved Uniform

We believe that school uniform ensures all children are treated equally. Uniform still plays a vital role in promoting the ethos of a school, setting an appropriate tone for education and providing a sense of belonging and common identity regardless of background.

With this in mind, we run a pre-loved uniform shop through the Friends of Connor Downs Academy. The Friends will run pop up sales at various times throughout the year, but you can also contact them via their Facebook Page at any other time or you can come into the school office or email hello@connordowns.org.uk with your requirements.



Thank you.

After School Clubs – Final Week

Reminder that next week is the final week of after school clubs, however, due to Mr Pascoe attending the London Residential next week, Cricket Club has now finished. Thank you!

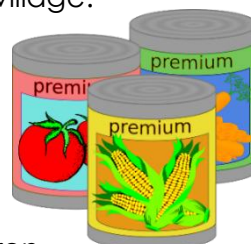
Donations for Connor Downs Food Cupboard

HELP

To help support our local community, we are politely asking for families from the Connor Downs Academy community to donate tinned goods for the food cupboard in the village.

These donations will help many families during not only the school holidays, but every day.

Please can we ask for any donations to be brought to Mrs Gallagher in the school office by **Friday 19th July 2024**.



Thank you for all your commitment in supporting not only our children at Connor Downs Academy, but also the Connor Downs Community as a whole.

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Connor Downs Academy

Head of School: Mrs J Eddy



Ofsted

You will recall that Connor Downs Academy received a Section 8 Ofsted Inspection on the 8th and 9th May 2024.

I am delighted to share with you the glowing Ofsted report which is now live on the Ofsted website.

[Connor Downs Academy \(ofsted.gov.uk\)](https://www.ofsted.gov.uk)

Summer Fayre

Thank you to our amazing Friends of Connor Downs Academy for organising and running a super summer fayre. Thank you to all parents/carers who volunteered during the fayre and supported by offering gifts and or attractions. You were all amazing!

Despite the rainy weather, we enjoyed a fantastic turnout, and much fun was had by all! Thank you to parents/carers and children for supporting the fayre so enthusiastically.

Congratulations to:

Leon in Year 2 for guessing the closest weight of the gator. Your tractor prize is waiting for you in Reception.

Otis in Year 2 for correctly guessing the number of Jelly Babies in the Jar. Your Jelly Babies are waiting for you in Reception.

Attendance

<u>Attendance</u>		
Our school target for attendance is 97%		
1 st Place	Year 3	100.0 %
2 nd Place	Year R	98.5 %
3 rd Place	Year 1	97.8 %

Shine Celebrations

Please see below our Shining Stars for this week.

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Connor Downs Academy Shining Stars Friday 12th July 2024

We are delighted to be able to invite the parents/carers of the winners below to join us at our final Shine assembly of this academic year, on **Friday 19th July 2024** 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 – Conor

For consistently showing a fantastic attitude to his learning. Well done, Conor!

Year 1 – Riley H

For being a kind, caring and helpful member of our class. Rilie is always looking out for her friends and is a fantastic role model, and she has amazing behaviour for learning. Well done, Rilie!

Year 2 – Remy

For fantastic achievements in science and being a kind and caring member of Year 2 all year. Well done, Remy!

Year 3 – Imogen

For showing great behaviour for learning and being a kind and supportive friend. Well done, Imogen!

Year 4 – Billy

For his fantastic geographical knowledge exhibited during our topic on Europe. Well done, Billy!

Year 5 – Senara

For being a first-class student and positive role model for all. Well done, Senara!

Year 6 – No Nominations this week as in London for Final Shine next week.

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Writer – Daniel (Year 3)

For showing great improvement in his writing, using finger spaces and full stops. Well done, Daniel!

EYFS/KS1 Reader – Dylan (Year 1)

For his excellent progress in phonics and reading. Dylan knows and recognises many alternate phonics sounds which is enabling him to become an amazingly fluent reader. Well done, Dylan!

KS2 Reader – Kostia (Year 5)

For the amazing improvement he has made in his reading to enable him to quiz on AR books - fantastic progress! Well done, Kostia!

Mathematician – Adam (Year R)

For showing fantastic understanding when counting in 2's. Well done, Adam!

Numbots/Rock Star – Dylan M (Year 2)

For achieving an incredible TT Rockstar speed and coin total. Well done, Dylan!

Performer – Joseph (Year 4)

For confidently presenting his PowerPoint on woodcarving to the whole class. Well done, Joseph!

Character – Freddie (Year R)

For always being such a kind and considerate friend to all his friends in class. Well done, Freddie!

Kind regards,

Mrs Eddy
Head of School