

Head of School: Mrs J Eddy

Friday 16th May 2025

Dear parents/carers,

I hope that you and your families are safe and well!

M & M Theatre Productions



On Tuesday we had a very special visit from M & M Theatre Productions who came into school to give a live theatre performance of 'A Little Princess'. All the children joined together to enjoy lots of fun and laughter as a special

end of half term treat! We would like to thank M & M Theatre Productions for putting on such an incredible show.

Our most sincere thanks to the Friends of Connor Downs Academy who very kindly sponsored the event. Without them this would not have been possible, so thank you from all the children at Connor Downs Academy, we





had so fun!!! much







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Hayle Rugby Club Presentation



Last weekend, Hayle Rugby Club held their end of season presentation. Thank you to Ruan, Carter and Isaac for the following report!

'We all sat down on the grass with the under 11s, and the coaches' presented medals and 3 trophies. Every player got a medal and a certificate. The 3 trophies were for Most Improved Player, Players Player (which we all had to vote for) and Player of the Season. Isaac was presented with the Players Player award. Ruan got Most Improved Player and Carter got Player of the Season! On the second pitch there were lots of fun things like, Soak the Coach, Bouncy Castle and lots more.'

We would like to congratulate all the players from Connor Downs Academy who have played for Hayle during the season. They are Carter, Isaac, Ruan, Billy, Joseph, Carter and Theo. Well done boys!

Tempest School Photographs – Class Photos

Tempest will be coming into school after half term on **Tuesday 10th June 2025** to take class photographs. Please ensure your child is wearing their full school uniform (this also includes navy and white gingham summer dresses with a navy cardigan with the Connor Downs Academy logo), including black school shoes only.

As a reminder, if your child has hair longer than shoulder length it must be tied back for school. Any hair accessories must be small and navy in colour. Thank you!







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KS2 Camping on School Field

During the week beginning Monday 23rd June, each of our KS2 classes will be camping on the school field. As most teaching staff are involved in these activities, we will have to cancel all school led afterschool clubs that week. The only clubs that will run will be ELDA dance on the Tuesday and Sports4Tots on the Friday.

> All classes should have come home with a letter detailing the camping day for their class, but please see the table below for dates:

Year 3	Monday 23 rd June
Year 4	Tuesday 24 th June
Year 5	Wednesday 25 th June
Year 6	Thursday 26 th June



This year The Friends of Connor Downs Academy will be holding their Summer Fayre on **Friday**, 4th July 2024 from 3:30pm. Further details to follow.

As part of the Fayre, we will be holding a raffle. With this in mind, we are politely requesting that if you or anyone you know owns a local business

and would be willing to donate a raffle prize, please email <u>hello@connordowns.org.uk</u> or pass donations to Mrs. Gallagher in the school office. All donations, no matter how small, will be greatly appreciated. Thank you!





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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 <u>hello@connordowns.org.uk</u> with your requirements. Thank you.



Smart Watches in School

Please can we politely remind parents/carers that although we do allow watches to be worn by children in school, these should only be a standard watch. We do not allow SMART watches or similar, that can take pictures or access the internet. This is a safeguarding risk so we thank you for your support with this!

Friends of Connor Downs Academy – School Disco

We would like to thank the Friends of Connor Downs Academy for another great disco last night. The event was really well attended and raised £197.00 which will go towards the proposed new development of the area behind the KS1 building. The Friends are always looking for new fundraising ideas, so if anyone has any ideas, please email them to <u>hello@connordowns.org.uk</u> and the feasibility can be investigated. Thank you for your support!

<u>Attendance</u>

Attendance		
Our school target for attendance is 97%		
1 st Place	Year 4	99.6 %
2 nd Place	Year 5	99.2 %
3 rd Place	Year 2	97.3 %

Shine Celebrations

Please see below our Shining Stars for this week.





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We are delighted to be able to invite the parents/carers of the winners below to join us at our next Shine assembly of the spring term, on **Friday 6th June 2025** 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 – Olivia

For her amazing understanding and enthusiasm about life cycles of different animals. Well done, Olivia!

Year 1 – Caleb

For showing great contributions in our phonics lessons both in groups and whole class phonics. Well done, Caleb!

Year 2 – Noah T

Noah has had a brilliant week, interacting well with the other children and focussing on varied activities. Well done, Noah!

Year 3 – Arthur

For giving 100% effort in all aspects of the curriculum and being a great role model in maths showing how to write tricky calculations involving money then check his answers are correct.

Year 4 - Elsie-May

For trying her best with excellent drive and determination to improve herself in all areas of the curriculum.

Year 5 – Noelle

For her thoughtful contributions to class discussions and her enthusiasm for cricket. Well done, Noelle!

Year 6 – Harry

For taking such care over his writing this week. Harry has started to slow down and really consider the words he is choosing to use. Well done, Harry!





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Writer – George (Year 6)

For marvellous writing when he redrafted the Astronomer's Son story. George always think of excellent words to use! Well done, George!

EYFS/KS1 Reader - Noah (Year R)

For his outstanding reading and writing of tricky words during phonics sessions. Well done, Noah!

KS2 Reader - Daniel (Year 4)

For making such fantastic progress with his reading. Daniel is working really hard with his Phase 4 Phonics. Well done, Daniel!

Mathematician – Idy (Year 5)

For his effort and precision when plotting coordinates. Well done, Idy!

Numbots/Rock Star – Harrison (Year 3)

For his excellent effort and progress on TTRS to improve his recall and speed of answering questions to 1.4 seconds. Well done, Harrison!

Performer - William (Year 2)

For great listening during swimming lessons and making excellent progress. Well done, William!

Character – Freya (Year 1)

For showing such great kindness to all her friends and for consistently following instructions. Freya is a great role model to all her peers! Well done, Freya!

Kind Regards,

Elle.

Mrs Eddy Head of School

A reminder next week is half term and we look forward to seeing the children back in school on Monday 2nd June. Thank you!







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