



# Hey with Zion V.C. Primary

To do  
the best  
we can

Dear Parents and carers,

It has been a very sunny half term! The children have loved the ice pops and lollies - thank you to the PTFA and to the staff that have worked hard to provide these!

It is incredibly important to us as a school to ensure that we give every child every opportunity to enrich their lives. We are therefore please to say that as part of our Infinite 8 experiences some children will be representing our school at Queen Victoria Hall in Epworth's BIG SING event!

Our vision statement is **John 10 verse 10** Jesus said, **"I have come that they may have life and have it to the full."** Within the love of God, we aspire to do the best we can for ourselves and others.

All our children will have trips; the children really love these opportunities to take the learning outside of the classroom. These trips cannot run without your financial support - please ensure that your donation is timely as it would be disappointing to have to cancel trips. School do not have funding for trips and so we are grateful to the PTFA that pay for the transportation costs.

## **End of year tests**

I have been incredibly proud of our year 6 children who really tried their hardest with the SATs. They really showed their strength of character and determination - well done children I know you have done your very best - you are excellent role models!

Year 4 and year 1 Multiplication tests and phonic tests will begin after the half term break - all the children have made really good progress throughout the year, and I am grateful for the teachers' and the children's hard work.

## **Worship**

Our core values underpin everything we stand for-

### **Wisdom, generosity, collaboration, respectfulness, aspiration, gratitude and forgiveness**

We are very grateful to Rev Suva and Mr Wilkinson (two governors) who support the children in worship. Rev. Suva will be moving on at the end of this academic year and on behalf of the whole school we thank her for the amazing impact she has had on the school, the staff and the children.

Worship themes have been - St George's Day, I am special, Mental Health Week, poetry, The life of John Wesley, Generosity.



The PTFA Colour Run which was a resounding success and raised over £2000!  
 The summer fair still needs helpers to make it the best that it can be- please sign up on the PTFA Facebook or Instagram page. Grateful thanks to Rebecca, Emma and the team.

### Attendance

Number of days off school a year	Percentage attendance	Number of lessons missed	Level of concern
0 days	100%	0	Perfection
2 days	99%	10 lessons	Excellent
5 days	97%	25 lessons	Good
10 days	95%	50 lessons	Slight concern
20 days	90%	100 lessons	Concern
30 days	85%	150 lessons	Significant concern

Class	Attendance so far this year
Nursery	93%
Reception	95%
Reception year 1	92%
Year 1/ 2	94%
Year 2	96%
Year 3	95%
Year 3/4	95%
Year 4	95%
Year 5 NP	95%
Year 5 SP	95%
Year 6	95%

It is only in exceptional circumstances that absences can be authorised. Please note that the government fines will be issued to any holidays taken in term time.



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Well done to the boys who played brilliantly to the whole school audience - Jackson and Harry should form a band! Guitar tuition is offered as part of the extracurricular events at school.

Well done to all who entered the Lees Community VE Day bunting competition - we are so proud of you all and special mention to Effie who won! Very well done!

## Nursery News

Nursery have really enjoyed this half term! The lovely sunny weather has meant they have been exploring more outside in our outdoor area. They have really enjoyed using our 'summer shop' in the roleplay area and have been learning about the seasonal changes that occur during Summer. They have loved the drawing challenges each week and have been learning about alliteration in their phonics lessons. We also had another successful trip to Lees Library and the staff there as well as our parent volunteers were so amazed by how well Nursery behaved on this trip.

## Reception News

Reception have been to Smithhills Farm. Their behaviour was exemplary, and everyone had a great time. The children loved the donkey ride, tractor ride and watching the cows being milked. Well done everyone!



### Reception Year 1

The children are looking forward to their trip to Portland Basin.

**Year 1 /2 and Year 2** The children are looking forward to going to George Street Chapel for a day learning all about History!

This summer term, Year 2 have enjoyed their English sessions and exploring their core text, 'Lila and the Secret of Rain.' We have explored a variety of writing genres - diary entries, letters and stories and the children have enjoyed the writing lessons.

In year 2, we have been focusing on invasion games. The children have really enjoyed learning different skills when passing and moving and applying these to team games.

We have enjoyed learning about Fractions this half term and we are looking forward to carrying this on next half term :)



The children fully enjoyed the EDUKIDS splat the teacher fundraising thank you to Mrs Thompson Lloyd and Miss Taylor for being such good sports!

### Year 3

Year 3 have spent the term learning all about Clarice Cliff, for our final piece we have made our own plates inspired by her using different brushes to create different effects.

We have also been learning all about the Ancient Greeks in history and are looking forward to making our own piece of a Greek vase in DT next term!





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## Year 3 and year 4

The children are really enjoying our class text, Egyptian Cinderella. They have produced some superb writing, particularly when using 'show not tell' techniques. In Science the children have been studying 'All living things'. They have considered how changes in the environment may endanger living things and classified both plants and animals. As part of our Stone Age topic the children designed and made Stone Age necklaces out of clay - linking our Design and Technology and History topics.



## Year 5

In science we have been looking at forces. We investigated air resistance and what happens when parachutes are different shapes and sizes. The children had a great time planning, designing and evaluating their parachutes.

They carried out an experiment to see if the size of the parachute affected the speed that it fell. We have also carried out a litter pick in the local area as part of our infinite 8 experiences.



## Year 6

All the children worked incredibly hard during SATs week and enjoyed a well-deserved picnic on the Friday.

As part of mental health Year 6 completed a workshop with coach Amy from CITC. In Science, we have been exploring electrical circuits.



### Dates for your diary

June 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday St John's Summer Fair. Choir to perform.

June 2<sup>nd</sup> School return multiplication and times tables checks begin

June 6<sup>th</sup> Non uniform fundraiser for school funds Please bring £1

June 9<sup>th</sup> Phonics checks begin

June 11<sup>th</sup> Sports Day 9:30 for EYFS and 1:45pm for R/1 up to Yr 6.

**Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July Summer Fair**

16<sup>th</sup> July 2- 3pm Presentation and awards afternoon

18<sup>th</sup> July 2- 3pm Leavers Collective Worship

July 18<sup>th</sup> End of term

Hey with Zion are supporting the Community Wardrobe with their new project. Please collect a bin bag from the food bank, fill it up and bring it back on the 9<sup>th</sup> June to be picked up. Thank you for your support.

# KHEO PROJECT

THIS MIGHT  
LOOK LIKE  
JUST A  
BLACK  
BIN BAG...

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any clean old clothing (not shoes) you no longer wear  
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