



# Weekly News

## Yoxall St Peter's

### Update from JTMAT

*You will recall I wrote to you in December 2023 advising you that Mrs Dingle had assumed temporary responsibility as Acting Headteacher for Yoxall St Peter's. I am delighted to inform you that Mrs Dingle has now been appointed to lead the school on a permanent basis. The Trust has confidence that Mrs Dingle is committed to leading the school and staff team from strength to strength, and she continues to have my personal support in the role.*

*I will take this opportunity to wish you all a happy and restful Easter.*

*With every best wish*



Mike Donohue  
CEO John Taylor MAT

## Easter Celebrations



Class 4 did a fabulous job leading the Easter Service in Church on Tuesday



Our Easter bonnet parade & egg rolling today, some amazing efforts & thanks to Liz Binsey for judging.



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

George G was 7 on Wednesday  
Oliver S is 10 on Saturday



# Sports Achievements

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| Sport   | Star   | Achievement   |
|---|--|---|
|    | Lois P & Megan<br>L<br>Class 4                         | Play for Lichfield Hockey Club U10's<br>Recently missed out on a place in county finals<br>on goal difference a great achievement for a<br>young team. Fingers crossed for next year. |
|    | Jack H, Joshua<br>Mac & Grace &<br>George A<br>Class 5 | Stayed for an hour after school to help out with<br>football CPD for staff. Thank you!  |
|   | Chloe G<br>M.J C<br>Class 4 & 5                        | Dancer of the month<br>2nd place for own arrangement and 4th place<br>in modern in regional championships last<br>weekend.  |
|  | Sofia B<br>Class 4                                     | Horse riding  |
|  | Chloe G<br>Georgina G<br>Class 4                       | Junior Black Belt in kickboxing<br>9 <sup>th</sup> & 10 <sup>th</sup> white/red belt in Karate  |
|  | Maddox S<br>Class 4                                    | Snowboarding  |
|  | Willow S<br>Class 2                                    | Gymnastics  |

On Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March, Class 4 & 5 took part in an interhouse football tournament. Jo Wilson who ran the event said the children were amazing and showed excellent sportmanship!

## Clubs For Next Term

|           |  |
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| Athletics | Key Stage 2 (Sign up with Active Crew) |
| Rounders  | Key Stage 2 (Sign up with Active Crew) |
| Dance     | Whole school                           |





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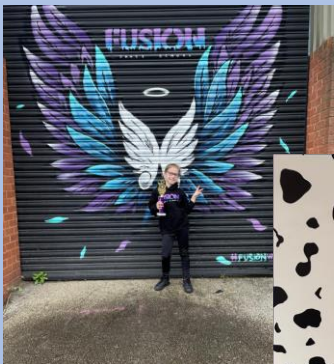
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Jack, Joshua, Grace & George stayed to help after school with the football CPD for staff.



On Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March, all girls in school took part in a football themed day to celebrate girls football.



Chloe G, dancing & kickboxing



Lois P & Megan L in their hockey tournament.



Sofia B

Well done to Julie Poole and the dancers from after school dance club for performing in assembly.





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### St Peter's Playtime Patrol!

By Alice Furness Y6

New playleaders have been introduced to Yoxall St Peter's Primary School to encourage a happy playtime.

Fifteen year five and six children have been selected by the class five teacher Mr Andrea.

The trainers (Hannah and Georgia from East Staffs Sports Partnership) came in on two mornings to train the fifteen children.

Hannah and Georgia taught the children different skills they needed to have to be a Playleader. As a group they also discussed characteristics of a Playleader which included being friendly, reliable, reassuring and fun. They introduced skills on communication and taught different games to play with younger children, and even let the year five and sixes make their own games. STEP was the key message to remember. This stands for Space Task Equipment People, which are things you need for each game.

All the Playleader training was arranged by the reception teacher, Miss Thacker.

This was organised because an issue had caught the teachers' eyes as many younger children had no one to play with as they were new to the school and trying to make some friends. Due to this issue Playleaders had been an idea to make a resolution to the problem.

This is what two of our Playleaders had to say about their experience.

Cornie stated, "I wanted to be a Playleader to help the younger children, and this can

help them by having someone to play with at playtimes."

Naomi expressed, "I think the younger children just sit around at lunch and they could be excited to go to lunch time and excited to play. I think it can help them by improving their learning behaviour in the classroom as they would have had a happier lunch leading to better behaviour in the classroom and it would give them something to do at lunch time instead of sitting on a bench."

The Playleaders were organised onto a rota with five children covering 3 days of the week, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. The Playleaders set up the equipment, teach the children how to play, then encourage them to join in with the games such as:

- Domes and Dishes
- Please Mr Crocodile
- Hoop Mania – the playleaders very own addition!

Carter from class I mentioned that his favourite game to play is snakes and ladders. Layla from class I stated that her favourite game to play is Hide and Seek.

It has been a great success to get this started and it is hoped that the Playleaders will bring joy and happiness to the playground.

Will the Playleaders play off or can they learn more from this opportunity?

Alice F has entered this brilliant article into the JTMAT Subject excellence – English competition about the playtime patrol.



## Dates for Diaries

|                                   |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> April 2024 | First Day of the Summer Term                                 |
| Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> May       | Year 6 Assessments begin                                     |
| Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> May       | Groups & year 6 leavers photos                               |
| Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May       | Last day of the half term<br>Year 6 Trip – Tamworth Funscape |
| Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June       | First day of term  |
| Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July      | National Memorial Arboretum Trip – year 3,4 & 5              |





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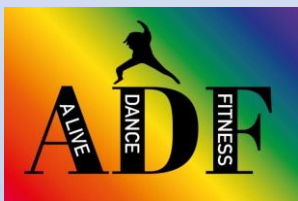
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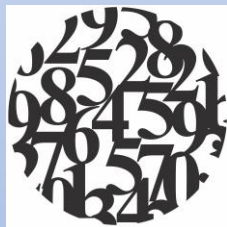
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