

Welcome back to the start of the summer term! As the weather continues to improve we are making the most of our outdoor spaces so please make sure that your child has a sunhat and apply any suncream in the morning too. We have ordered some new benches and tables with parasols for outside too so that the children will have more space to take shelter from the sun if they need to.

Dame Rachel De Souza, Children's Commissioner for England, has launched '[The Big Ask](#)', the largest ever consultation with children undertaken in England. Miss Booth and I will be talking to some of the children about this in our assemblies this week and next.

The survey will be live until May 19th and asks children across England to set out their priorities for improving childhood post-Covid.

The results from this survey will help the Children's Commissioner identify the barriers preventing children from reaching their potential, put forward solutions and set ambitious goals for the country to achieve.

Children and young people can take part in the survey at [thebigask.uk](https://thebigask.uk)

[Watch Rachel De Souza](#) introduce and explain the survey with the help of footballer Marcus Rashford.

Have a question? [Find answers to common questions](#) about The Big Ask. I would encourage you to support your child in accessing the survey and giving them a voice.

Jo White, Headteacher

## **Class Pages**

We are very excited to be back at school for the summer term in **Parrots**. We have based our work this week on a book called 'You Choose' by Nick Sharratt

You can see from our photos that we have had lots of choosing to do. Which outfit would you wear to a party? Or the beach? What food would you choose? How would you choose to make your hat? and lots of other difficult decisions for us to discuss and decide! In fact, we have been writing about what animal we would choose as a pet, what food we would choose to eat and also which shoes we would choose to wear. As well as deciding on what to write, we have had to remember our presentation, finger spaces and full stops too.

We have also made some bird feeders this week so that we can help the local birds. Plus, in PSHE we are starting to think about friendships and how to be a good friend. Can you see our friendship flower?







When you got hungry,

what would you eat?





In **Year 5**, the children have been building up to creating a rainforest scene in their art lessons. They learnt all about an artist, Henri Rousseau, who is famous for his rainforest scene paintings. Before creating their final masterpiece, the children practised sketching rainforest animals and plants, and they explored tonal variation by mixing lots of different shades of green. This week, the children finally came to the end of their project and completed their rainforest paintings.

First the children lightly sketched their scene...



...before painting, using watercolours! We think they look fantastic – well done Year 5!



## PSA News



We are having a **Bag 2 School** collection on **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2021 at 3.30pm**. For those of you who aren't aware, this is a collection of unwanted, good quality adults' and children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags/bags and belts, bedding, curtains and towels. The items donated by parents/carers are taken away and weighed and the school receives a donation depending on the weight of the items received. This is an easy way to help raise funds for the PSA and it often mounts up to over £300 per collection! If you are having a 'clear out' over half term, please hold onto any unwanted items ready for the collection. Please don't return your filled bags until 11<sup>th</sup> June as unfortunately we do not have any storage space at school. In order to cut down on plastic bags, Bag 2 School are no longer supplying their own plastic bags so please use any strong bin liner you have at home. Please do not over fill the bags and ensure they are tied when you drop them off as Bag 2 School will not take any clothes that are wet! Many thanks.

## From the Office

### School Dates

A reminder that the **May bank holiday** is next Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May.

We have an **Inset Day** this term on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2021 therefore the last day of this half term will be Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May and we will finish at the usual times (3.00pm onwards) on the Thursday. Please note that Swallows and Swifts clubs will still run on that day.

The children will return to school after the half term break on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2021.

### Summer Term Woodwind Lessons – 10% off!

Surrey Arts are very pleased to offer the opportunity to learn a woodwind instrument at school. Our visiting woodwind teacher, Mrs French, has a few spaces and is currently taking on new pupils for the summer term. Please see the attached flyer for full details on how to apply.

### Surrey Arts Orchestra

Please see the attached flyer if you are interested in your child joining the UP Orchestra run by Surrey Arts.

### Holiday Clubs

Pleiades Leisure Limited are running May Half Term and Summer Holiday Camps.

Pleiades nearest camp is running at Westfield Primary School (Woking) although more schools may be added later.

### Chorister Information

If you have a musical boy in Year 3 and he would like the information regarding becoming a Chorister then please see attached flyer.