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Easter Newsletter



Dear Parents,

Well, I can't quite believe we are in April and breaking up for Easter! The Spring Term has flown by, but we have had a wonderful time in school. Thank you for your continued support, both with events we have held, as well as attending parent workshops and outcomes. We enjoy having you in school and really do appreciate your support.

Here are a few updates moving forward into the Summer Term:

Swimming

We are extremely excited to have the swimming pool back this year. It will arrive in May ready for the second half of the Summer Term. Once again, we will provide lessons for all the children across school, ensuring they have at least one lesson a week. Please follow the guidance on the swimming letters you receive, particularly regarding jewellery. Due to the construction of the pool, no jewellery can be worn as there is a risk of damage to the pool. Please ensure all earrings are removed before they come to school on their swimming day.

New arrivals

As you are aware Mrs Cowern and Mrs Kelly left to start their maternity leave recently. Well, we are pleased to announce the safe arrivals of their children. Mrs Cowern has had a beautiful baby girl and Mrs Kelly a gorgeous baby boy. Both mums and babies are doing well.

Health and safety

Now we are entering the summer months, more children are arriving on bikes and scooters. Can I please remind children that they need to push their bike or scooter whilst on the school grounds, so that no one gets hurt. We also have a 'no dogs on site' policy. Whilst I understand we have some gorgeous new puppies that have been welcomed into families, I would really appreciate it if you do not bring them on site, including in your arms.

I know children are growing quickly and we only have a few months before the end of the year, but please ensure your child has the correct uniform and a PE kit in school. With the warmer weather approaching, please ensure children have sun hats/caps for outdoor use and sun cream is applied before they come to school.

Upcoming events

The parent calendar for Summer Term will be going live on our website very soon, but here are a couple of key dates for your diaries:

- Friday 20th June – training day (school closed).
- 12th May – Year 6 SATs week.
- 9th June – Test week for the whole school.





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- 9th June – Year 1 Phonics Screening Test.
- Wk beginning 23rd June - Science workshops for parents.
- 10th July - Sports Day KS1/KS2.
- 19th June - Sports Day EYFS.
- Wk beginning 9th June - Year 6 Fairbourne residential.
- 30th June - Year 1 school trip.
- 1st/2nd July - Year 3 school trip.
- 3rd/5th June - Year 5 school trip.
- 4th July – School reports sent out.
- Wk beginning 2nd June – Year 4 multiplication check.

ARBOR

Over the coming weeks, we are switching our school management system to ARBOR. During the Summer Term we will be asking you to download the app for this system. We are mindful that you are having to use multiple apps for school at present, and we are hoping the move to ARBOR will change this making everything much easier. We will transition to ARBOR in sections across the Summer Term and eventually there will be no further need for the following apps: Marvellous Me, Teachers to Parents, School Money. We will let you know when you no longer need specific apps and when to use ARBOR instead. Please keep a look out for notifications regarding these switches. As with all new systems there may be glitches, but please bear with us and inform us if you are having any issues. We are really hoping the switch will be a positive move for us all.

Attendance

Our attendance continues to remain high with most weeks being above the national average! A huge thank you to you all for bringing your children every day, it really is making a positive impact on their learning. During the first week back after Easter we will be having our silver and gold celebration assemblies, so please check children's bags for your invite letters.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a happy Easter. I hope you have a lovely Easter break, and I look forward to welcoming you back on Monday 28th April 2025.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs H. Richards (Headteacher)

