



## Newsletter – 10<sup>th</sup> May 2019

Dear Parents,

We have a great many things organised for this term so please make a note in your diaries for events which you are welcome to join us for.

Our next event is MayDay dancing on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May. Unfortunately, teachers have been alerting me to children in their class saying they will not be here. Please can you let **me or the office know via email if you are taking your child out of school for that day**, it makes performing the dances for you very difficult if we are unaware of planned absences in advance.

**Attendance.** I have met with our attendance officer this week and she has discussed with me the number of late arrivals we have. I will be writing to persistent offenders, detailing how much time the lateness equates to. Also, please remember if your child walks in to class late it is disruptive to the whole classes learning. The bell rings at **8.55am** – all children should be on site by this time. If your child arrives **after 9.15am** (unless previously arranged) they will be marked as an unauthorised absence. This could lead to a fixed penalty notice being issued.

**Breakfast club** has started very positively. I hope parents accessing the provision are finding it beneficial. The children are always happy, eating well and experiencing a relaxed start to the school day. We will continue to provide the club until the end of the summer term, Joustlers will then take it over from September when it will be in operation 5 days a week.

**KS2 SATS** starts on Monday. Please can Y6 parents ensure their child is at school on time. In the event of any illness we ask that they come to school for the test and you collect them straight after if necessary.

**Safety reminder.** We have noticed an increase in the number of cars driving into school. Access is not permitted before or after school. This applies to taxi drop offs if your child is in KS2. Please inform the taxi driver to drop the children in Chambers Lane so they can walk in the same as their peers. If you are collecting from an after school club please **do not** drive to the front of the school – this causes a hazard for parents standing to collect at the end of the session and can be a hindrance to members of staff attempting to leave the site. Do not take offence when you are asked to move your vehicle or refused entry.

**PGL.** We await the return of Y5 from their adventures at PGL. Mrs Wright has text me in the evenings once **all** the children are asleep – I have been very impressed!

**Battery Collection.** Please note next week is the final 'push' for batteries. They will be collected next Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May.



Our value for May is **COOPERATION**

Here's to a fun packed final term.  
Kind regards, *Sue Dury*

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY Summer Term 2019

Date	Event
w/c Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SATS Week
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Parent Governor nominations due in
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	PTA Fun Run
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> May 6pm	Year 6 Isle of Wight Information Meeting, School Hall
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May 2.45pm	Year 4 Class Assembly
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2:30pm	May Day Dancing, all parents welcome
<b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 3.30pm finish</b>	<b>Last day of half term</b>
<b>Mon 27<sup>th</sup> – Fri 31<sup>st</sup> May</b>	<b>Whitsun Half Term Break</b>
<b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 8:55 am</b>	<b>Pupils return to school for 2<sup>nd</sup> half of Summer Term</b>
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Class photos
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> June 7pm	Year 5 PGL Presentation Evening to parents, School Hall
w/c Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Statutory Phonics Assessment Week
Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Isle of Wight Excursion
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June 2.45pm	Year 1 Class Assembly
w/c Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 Pilot Multiplication Times table Check
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June 2.45pm	Year 2 Class Assembly
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 2 Whipsnade Zoo Trip
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June 6pm	Year 5/6 Sex Relationship Education Information Meeting
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	Year 6 Phase Workshop – Secondary School Transition
w/c Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Bikeability Week
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Reception Mead Open Farm Trip
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> June 2.45pm	Year 3 Class Assembly
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge Trip
Thurs 27 <sup>th</sup> - Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Reception Balance and Ride Cycle Training
Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	School Council Houses of Parliament Trip
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> July 7pm	Junior Choir Hitchin Festival Concert, St Mary's Church, Hitchin
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July am	New Reception Intake Welcome Meeting and Lunch
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July 7pm	Year 6 Isle of Wight Presentation Evening to parents, School Hall
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Governors' Day Visit
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July pm	Year 6 Hope/Phase Workshop – Drug Awareness
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Pupil Reports out to parents
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> July 9:30am	School Sports Day, School Field
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2.45pm	Reception Class Assembly
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July 7pm	Music Summer Concert, School Hall
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Trip TBC
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Class Moving Up morning / Year 6 Secondary Transition Day
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Crucial Crew Workshops
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	PTA Family Party, School Field
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> July 6pm – 7pm	Whole School Children and Parents' Open Evening
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July 9:30am	Reserve School Sports Day, School Field
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 and Reception Buddies Lavender Farm Picnic, 1:30-3pm (tbc)
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July 4pm	Year 6 Leavers' Bowling Party
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July 9:30am	Year 6 Leavers' Service, St Katharine's Church, <b>Year 6 parents only</b>
<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 1:30pm</b>	<b>School closes for Summer Break</b>
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	Staff INSET Day
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	<b>Pupils return to school for Autumn Term</b>

### A final note to say:

Mrs Shafe's daughter is fundraising to support big cat conservation to try and stop the extinction of lions and tigers by 2050. You may have seen her in The Comet newspaper or on our school notice board! She is hoping that as many people as possible will read her story at [www.justgiving.com/catastrophe](http://www.justgiving.com/catastrophe) and donate just £2.'