



Newsletter – 7th June 2019

Dear Parents,

Lunchtime changes. You may have heard from your children that the school lunchtime break has been shortened. We are trialing the lunchtime break from 12.00pm – 1.00pm this half term. Historically, School has needed a longer period to ensure all the hot meals are served and eaten. Now we have a new, more efficient provider, this is not a factor. We are amongst the minority of primary schools that have an hour and a quarter lunchtime break so after a lengthy consideration, teachers have opted to reduce the time allocated. It may also work towards alleviating children's friendship issues, which often occur in the last 15 minutes, because their playtime is too long. This change of time does not affect the start or end of the school day: it merely allows us to be ready to learn, in a timely fashion, for afternoon school. This change of time will not impact on the variety or delivery of lunchtime extra-curricular activities offered.

Year 5 PGL Presentation After a very successful, if a little soggy PGL residential, Year 5 delivered a delightful presentation to their families last night. It was jam packed with dramatic videos, and exciting details about their adventures, achievements and personal memories. Mrs. Wright and I would like to thank Mr. McKechnie and Mrs. Giggle for giving up time away from their families to accompany the children. The children's behaviour and attitude, as always, was impeccable and was a credit to their families and to School.

Y6 Residential Our Year 6 pupils are off to the Isle of Wight for their 5 day residential on Monday. A reminder to Year 6 parents to please be at school between 8.00am and 8.15am. We will unlock the playground gate and open the hall fire exit door so we can meet in there to ensure the safeguarding of our breakfast club children. **Please do not arrive before 8.00am.**

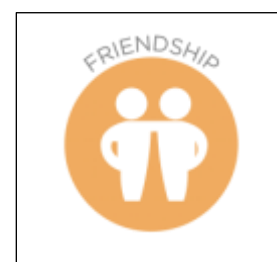
Class Assemblies We have started our schedule of class assemblies on Tuesdays, which start promptly at 2.45pm. Please check the diary dates to know when your child's assembly will be happening. **Please do not bring younger siblings.** Our children and staff work incredibly hard on their class assembly and are very proud to show you what they have achieved.

School uniform As the weather is changeable this summer, please ensure your child is prepared for all eventualities: named rain coats for wet weather – we still take the children out to play in light rain, and named sun hats for those hotter days.

Diary dates Please check the diary dates to ensure you know when your child may be involved in an activity and if you are welcome to join us.

Our value for June is **Friendship**

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



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY Summer Term 2019

Date	Event
w/c Monday 10 th June	Year 1 Statutory Phonics Assessment Week
Mon 10 th – Fri 14 th June	Year 6 Isle of Wight Excursion
Tuesday 11 th June 2.45pm	Year 1 Class Assembly
Thursday 13 th June 1.00pm	Rural Sports – Ridlins Athletics Stadium (parents welcome)
w/c Monday 17 th June	Year 4 Pilot Multiplication Times table Check
Tuesday 18 th June 2.45pm	Year 2 Class Assembly
Thursday 20 th June	Year 2 Whipsnade Zoo Trip
Thursday 20 th June 6pm	Year 5/6 Sex Relationship Education Information Meeting
Friday 21 st June	Year 6 Phase Workshop – Secondary School Transition
w/c Monday 24 th June	Year 6 Bikeability Week
Tuesday 25 th June	Reception Mead Open Farm Trip
Tuesday 25 th June 2.45pm	Year 3 Class Assembly
Thursday 27 th June	Year 1 Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge Trip
Thurs 27 th - Fri 28 th June	Reception Balance and Ride Cycle Training
Saturday 29 th June	School Council Houses of Parliament Trip
Monday 1 st July 7pm	Junior Choir Hitchin Festival Concert, St Mary's Church, Hitchin
Tuesday 2 nd July am	New Reception Intake Welcome Meeting and Lunch
Tuesday 2 nd July 7pm	Year 6 Isle of Wight Presentation Evening to parents, School Hall
Thursday 4 th July	Governors' Day Visit
Friday 5 th July pm	Year 6 Hope/Phase Workshop – Drug Awareness
Friday 5 th July	Pupil Reports out to parents
Monday 8 th July 9:30am	School Sports Day, School Field (parents welcome)
Tuesday 9 th July 2.45pm	Reception Class Assembly
Tuesday 9 th July 7pm	Music Summer Concert, School Hall (parents welcome)
Wednesday 10 th July	Year 6 Trip Harry Potter World
Thursday 11 th July	Class Moving Up morning / Year 6 Secondary Transition Day
Friday 12 th July	Y6 Crucial Crew Workshops
Friday 12 th July	PTA Family Party, School Field
Monday 15 th July 6pm – 7pm	Whole School Children and Parents' Open Evening
Tuesday 16 th July 9:30am	Reserve School Sports Day, School Field
Thursday 18 th July	Year 6 and Reception Buddies Lavender Farm Picnic, 1:30-3pm (tbc)
Thursday 18 th July 4pm	Year 6 Leavers' Bowling Party
Friday 19 th July 9:30am	Year 6 Leavers' Service, St Katharine's Church, Year 6 parents only
Friday 19th July 1:30pm	School closes for Summer Break
Monday 2 nd September	Staff INSET Day
Tuesday 3 rd September	Pupils return to school for Autumn Term