



13th May 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week the children in Year 6 have taken their SATs – the national tests that they complete in Reading, Maths and Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling. They worked really hard and did their very best in all the papers across the week and we are so proud of them all. It was lovely to be able to share this message directly with the parents yesterday evening when they attended a meeting about the school journey Year 6 will go on in June. Today Year 6 are having a well-deserved non-uniform party day.

Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

In the week before half term (Monday 23rd to Thursday 26th May) we are holding a theme week in school based on the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Across the week the children will take part in a variety of activities including a dance workshop, art sessions and some age-appropriate history learning about the Queen and her long reign.

At the end of the week, on **Thursday 26th May at 2.15pm**, we are bringing the whole school together to share in a celebration assembly and would like to invite you to join us too. We will be holding the event outside on the main playground and each class is preparing a song or dance to share. The assembly will start promptly at 2.15pm and we invite you to come in from 2pm to take a seat on the playground before the children come out. Nursery morning only children are invited back with their parents for this assembly.

Once the assembly has finished, we want to share in a picnic tea with sandwiches and cakes for everyone. The PA have kindly offered to support in providing squash for the children and tea and coffee for the parents. We would be very grateful if parents and carers could help by bringing in a plate of sandwiches or cakes (no nuts) to share too. If you can come to the assembly then please just bring these with you at 2pm. If you cannot come then please send in any donations that morning. Bringing a picnic blanket in would also be a good idea. We are also happy to keep the grounds open that afternoon for the children to stay and play until 4.30pm. Of course these plans are very weather dependent so fingers crossed for some sunshine - we do hope you can join us.

School Gateway becomes Arbor

At half term, we will be moving over from SchoolGateway to Arbor. We have already moved to Arbor within school, but we will then be rolling out the parent sections. We are hoping that this will be more streamlined and timesaving as school and parents will be using the same system for communication and payments. Further information for how to access Arbor will be sent out to parents shortly.

Dates

I thought it would be helpful to let you have some key dates already confirmed for the rest of this term – please see the table on the following page. We will continue to keep you and the website updated when new dates are added.

I know it seems a long way off but I also wanted to remind you about start dates for the new academic year. We have already confirmed that the 1st and 2nd of September will be INSET days and school will start for all pupils in Reception to Year 6 from Monday 5th September 2022.

With best wishes
Sharon Barton, Head Teacher

Date	Timings	Details
Tuesday 17 th May	9.00 – 10.00 am	Reading Information Session for Year 1 parents*
Wednesday 18 th May	9.15 am	Reception Class Assembly in Hall
Friday 20 th May	1.20 – 2.20 pm	Reading Information Session for Year 1 parents*
Thursday 26 th May	2.15 pm	Theme week Platinum Jubilee Assembly
Friday 27 th May	School Closed	Occasional day for Platinum Jubilee
Sunday 12 th June	12.15pm	Year 6 leave for School Journey
Saturday 18 th June	12 - 3pm	Summer Fair
Friday 24 th June	School Closed	INSET Day
Wednesday 29 th June & Thursday 30 th June	Timings tbc	Parent Consultations for year 1 - 6
Thursday 7 th July	4.00 – 6.30 pm	Open Evening
Friday 8 th July	9.30 am	Nursery and Reception Sports Day
Thursday 14 th July	9.30 – 10.30 am	Transition sessions in school. Year 6 pupils at Secondary Schools for the day.
Thursday 21 st July	TBC	Year 6 Leaver's performance
Thursday 21 st July		Nursery End of Term
Friday 22 nd July	1.30pm	End of term

*Please call office to book a space