



Tuesday, 29 August 2017

Dear Parents

Another school year starts - it is great to see the children back so eager, positive and smart. Year 6 are looking especially smart with their ties and I am also pleased to see so many wearing the black school shoes as per the policy. For the few that still have trainers or shoes other than black, please ensure they are purchased by Monday.

With the start of a new term comes new dates for the diary. Included in this letter are the dates for this Autumn Term up to Christmas. Most events have been arranged but there are still a few to confirm, mainly class visits (both in and out of school). The dates below are also on the school website. Reminders about specific events will be sent a couple of weeks in advance. As we did last year, we are asking for a standard contribution to enable class visits to take place. Transport, admission and facilitators are costs that are passed onto the school that are beyond the school budget. Please do contribute via ParentPay as soon as possible so that planned visits can take place. I understand that some parents are unable to afford the full amount but if all can contribute, the visits become affordable and benefit all children.

Various parents have asked about the possibility of being able to attend worship occasionally. From next week, we warmly invite parents to attend Key Stage worship (space permitting). Please allow the children and staff to enter first before joining in the available space left. Key Stage worship runs from 08:35 to 08:55 in the Worship Hall on the following days:

- Tuesdays: Key Stage One (Year 1 and 2)
- Wednesdays: Key Stage Two (Year 3, 4, 5 and 6)
- Friday: Foundation 2

Extra- curricular clubs will begin next week. Huge apologies for the confusion over Clubszone clubs which I wrongly thought started today. We will be going over the forms tomorrow morning and we will get emails out to let you know whether a space has been given to your child, or they are on a waiting list.

If your child is in Key Stage Two and would like to learn to play an instrument, please complete an expression of interest form by [clicking here](#). We will pass the information onto the provider and they will then get in touch soon.

Last year we trialled a contribution for class visits of £40, for the full year. Being such a success, we will continue this year. Please understand that the overall costs were much higher than the contributions made - the school greatly subsidised the visits and will do again this year. This year we are asking for a £45 contribution; this is £5 higher than last year but will still not cover the full costs. Those that do contribute will benefit from events such as discounted Cinema Nights and other events we are able to charge for. Please do make a contribution if you possibly can via Parent Pay.

Next week on Thursday 7th September at 08:05 I will be holding the first Tea/Coffee Morning of the year. With the new Home/School Link Books (for homework) and Reading Records due to arrive tomorrow, I will be discussing the resources in them and how they can best be used. Please do join us in the Sports Hall if you are able to make it - it is an informal gathering and a great chance to share.



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For any new (and existing) parents that would like to get involved with our parents group - Friends of our School (FORS), please let us know by [clicking here](#) so we can invite you to the next meeting. FORS will be arranging a meeting shortly to plan events for the year ahead.

Finally, I know that parents like to drop the children off and come in to see the staff, especially in the first week. You are very welcome but please do not park inside the school grounds as it does cause an obstruction/obstacle for others. If you are entering the grounds to drop your child off by car, you should be driving on after your child has safely left the car.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Mr Kite
Principal



Autumn Term Dates

More yet to add

Tuesday 29th August – Children return to school.
Wednesday 30th August: Radhastami (empathy)
Friday 1st September: Year 6 (Vrindavan) Swimming - 08:30 to 10:00
Monday 4th September: Year 6 Visit - Beaumanor Hall
Monday 4th September: Year 5 (Turtles) Swimming - 10:15 to 11:45
Tuesday 5th September: Year 5 (Turtles) Group 1 Swimming - 13:15 to 14:00
Thursday 7th September: Tea/Coffee Morning (Welcome Back & Home/School Link Book) - 08:05 to 08:50
Friday 8th September: Harvest Festival
Friday 8th September: Year 6 (Vrindavan) Swimming - 08:30 to 10:00
Friday 8th September: School Council Election Speeches
Monday 11th September: Year 2 Visit - Kenilworth Castle
Monday 11th September: Year 5 (Turtles) Swimming - 10:15 to 11:45
Tuesday 12th September: Foundation Two children start full-time
Tuesday 12th September: Year 5 (Turtles) Group 2 Swimming - 13:15 to 14:00
Wednesday 13th September: Foundation Two Curriculum Workshop - 08:05 to 09:00
Wednesday 13th September: Year 1 Visit: Newark Museum - 09:30 to 12:00
Friday 15th September: Year 6 (Vrindavan) Swimming - 08:30 to 10:00
Monday 18th September: Year 5 (Turtles) Swimming - 10:15 to 11:45
Wednesday 20th September: Key Stage Two SATs Evening for parents - 17:30 to 19:00
Friday 22nd September: Year 6 (Vrindavan) Swimming - 08:30 to 10:00
Monday 25th September: Year 5 (Turtles) Swimming - 10:15 to 11:45
Wednesday 27th September: M&M Productions - Alice in Wonderland - 09:30 to 11:30
Thursday 28th September: Year 6 (Vrindavan) Class Assembly - 08:10 to 08:30
Thursday 28th September: Year 6 (Vrindavan) Workshop for Parents - 08:30 to 09:30
Friday 29th September: Year 6 (Vrindavan) Swimming - 08:30 to 10:00
Monday 2nd October: Year 6 (Mayapur) Swimming - 10:15 to 11:45
Tuesday 3rd October: Key Stage One Phonics and SATs Evening for parents - 17:30 to 18:30
Wednesday 4th October: Tea/Coffee Morning (TBC) - 08:05 to 08:50
Thursday 5th October: Year 6 (Mayapur) Class Assembly - 08:10 to 08:30
Thursday 5th October: Year 6 (Mayapur) Workshop for Parents - 08:30 to 09:30
Thursday 5th October: 5k World Relay Challenge - 12:00 to 14:30
Friday 6th October: Year 5 (Sharks) Swimming - 08:30 to 10:00
Monday 9th to Thursday 12th October: Celebrating Diwali
Monday 9th October: Year 6 (Mayapur) Swimming - 10:15 to 11:45
Wednesday 11th October: Diwali Performance
Thursday 12th October: KS1 and KS2 School Immunisations
Thursday 12th October: Year 5 (Turtles) Class Assembly - 08:10 to 08:30
Thursday 12th October: Year 5 (Turtles) Workshop for Parents - 08:30 to 09:30
Friday 13th October - Staff Training Day (school closed for children).

Friday 13th October to Friday 20th October - Half-Term Break.

Monday 23rd October: Year 6 (Mayapur) Swimming - 10:15 to 11:45
Wednesday 25th October: Foundation Two Teddy Bear's Hospital - 09:00 to 11:00
Thursday 26th October: Year 5/6 Sportshall Athletics - 09:00 to 12:00



Friday 27th October: Govardhana Puja Festival
Friday 27th October: Year 5 (Sharks) Swimming - 08:30 to 10:00
Saturday 28th October: School Open Day (11:00 to 14:00)
Monday 30th October: Staff Training Day (school closed for children).
Tuesday 31st October: Year 3 Visit: Cadbury's World
Wednesday 1st November: Parents' Evening - (15:00 to 19:30)
Thursday 2nd November: Year 6 Visit - Warning Zone
Thursday 2nd November: Year 5 (Sharks) Class Assembly - 08:10 to 08:30
Thursday 2nd November: Year 5 (Sharks) Workshop for Parents - 08:30 to 09:30
Thursday 2nd November: Parents' Evening - (15:00 to 18:00)
Friday 3rd November: Year 5 (Sharks) Swimming - 08:30 to 10:00
Friday 3rd November: Year 5/6 Table-Tennis Competition - 09:00 to 12:00
Monday 6th November: Year 6 (Mayapur) Swimming - 10:15 to 11:45
Wednesday 8th November: Year 4 (Comets) Class Assembly - 08:10 to 08:30
Wednesday 8th November: Year 4 (Comets) Workshop for Parents - 08:30 to 09:30
Friday 10th November: Year 5 (Sharks) Swimming - 08:30 to 10:00
Friday 10th November: High 5 Netball Festival - 12:00 to 15:30
Monday 13th November: Remembrance Assembly with Rev Anthony Lees-Smith
Monday 13th to Friday 17th November: Global Entrepreneurship Week
Monday 13th November: Year 6 (Mayapur) Swimming - 10:15 to 11:45
Wednesday 15th November: Year 4 (Planets) Class Assembly - 08:10 to 08:30
Wednesday 15th November: Year 4 (Planets) Workshop for Parents - 08:30 to 09:30
Thursday 16th November: Year 1 (Parrots) Class Assembly - 08:10 to 08:30
Thursday 16th November: Year 1 (Parrots) Workshop for Parents - 08:30 to 09:30
Friday 17th November: Children in Need
Friday 17th November: Year 5 (Sharks) Swimming - 08:30 to 10:00
Monday 20th November: Year 4 (Planets) Swimming - 10:15 to 11:45
Wednesday 22nd November: Year 1 (Doves) Class Assembly - 08:10 to 08:30
Wednesday 22nd November: Year 1 (Doves) Workshop for Parents - 08:30 to 09:30
Thursday 23rd November: Year 3 (Sun) Class Assembly - 08:10 to 08:30
Thursday 23rd November: Year 3 (Sun) Workshop for Parents - 08:30 to 09:30
Friday 24th November: Year 4 (Comets) Swimming - 08:30 to 10:00
Friday 24th November: Cinema Night - 14:45 to 17:15
Monday 27th November: Year 4 (Planets) Swimming - 10:15 to 11:45
Wednesday 29th November: Gita Jayanti Quiz - 13:30 to 14:30
Thursday 30th November: Year 3 (Moon) Class Assembly - 08:10 to 08:30
Thursday 30th November: Year 3 (Moon) Workshop for Parents - 08:30 to 09:30
Friday 1st December: Year 4 (Comets) Swimming - 08:30 to 10:00
Monday 4th December: Year 4 (Planets) Swimming - 10:15 to 11:45
Tuesday 5th December: Year 4 (Comets) Group 1 Swimming - 13:15 to 14:00
Wednesday 6th December: Tea/Coffee Morning (TBC) - 08:05 to 08:50
Wednesday 6th December: KS2 Christingle with Rev Anthony Lees-Smith - morning
Wednesday 6th December: F2/KS1 Christingle with Rev Anthony Lees-Smith - afternoon

Thursday 7th December: Year 2 (Swans) Class Assembly - 08:10 to 08:30
Thursday 7th December: Year 2 (Swans) Workshop for Parents - 08:30 to 09:30
Thursday 7th December: Christmas Fair - 15:00 to 17:00
Friday 8th December: Year 4 (Comets) Swimming - 08:30 to 10:00
Monday 11th December: Year 4 (Planets) Swimming - 10:15 to 11:45



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Tuesday 12th December: Year 4 (Comets) Group 2 Swimming - 13:15 to 14:00
Wednesday 13th December: Foundation Two Nativity - 09:30 to 10:15
Wednesday 13th December: KS2 Cross Country Festival - 12:30 to 14:30
Thursday 14th December: Year 2 (Peacocks) Class Assembly - 08:10 to 08:30
Thursday 14th December: Year 2 (Peacocks) Workshop for Parents - 08:30 to 09:30
Friday 15th December: Year 4 (Comets) Swimming - 08:30 to 10:00
Monday 18th December: Year 4 (Planets) Swimming - 10:15 to 11:45
Monday 18th December: Foundation Two Christmas Party - 13:00 to 14:30
Tuesday 19th December: Key Stage One Christmas Party - 13:00 to 14:30
Wednesday 20th December: Year 3/4 Christmas Party - 13:00 to 14:30
Thursday 21st December: Year 5/6 Christmas Party - 13:00 to 14:30
Friday 22nd December - Last day of school for children.

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