



Thursday 4th May 2017

Term Dates 2016-2017

5 Sep- 21 Oct
31 Oct - 20 Dec
3 Jan - 10 Feb
20 Feb - 7 Apr
24 Apr - 26 May
5 Jun - 21 Jul

INSET DAYS

5.9.16
21.10.16
3.1.17
20.2.17
5.6.17

Public Holiday

May Day - Monday 1st May

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Newsletter

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PFA

This year's summer fair is on 17th June, 2pm - 4pm, more details will be following. However the PFA have requested donations for the following:

From 19th May onwards - Tombola prizes

From 26th May onwards - Wrapped Bran Tub prizes

From 9th June onwards - Bottles

On 16th and 17th June - Cakes

This year PFA have purchased 3 ipads for use in class and are currently raising money to replace the train in the front playground. As always, your support is appreciated.

Safeguarding

Blue Whale Challenge

This has received massive media attention around the world some of which has been falsely reported. As always, we can keep our children safe online by being involved in our children's activities, to remain vigilant and speak to school staff if you have concerns.

Attendance

Reminder: if your child/ children are absent, please phone school before 9am **on each day** of the illness. We have a duty to contact parents where these calls have not been made.

Although we are happy to be contacted via email by parents, we cannot guarantee that inboxes are monitored throughout the morning. Parents should contact school via telephone or in person for urgent messages.

Family Worship

Reminder that there are family worship sessions on Friday 19th May and Friday 9th June. These will start slightly earlier, at **2:15** and children will be walking back to school afterwards for collection at home-time.

Sports Day

This year's Sports Day will take place (weather permitting) on Wednesday 24th May from 1.30pm onwards. There will be refreshments and representatives from 'Health Promoting Schools' will have an information stand.

Musical Gems

These sessions are continuing fortnightly throughout this term and we continue to invite toddler children to the 9:00 sessions which are held at the institute hall.

Year 6 SATS

Next week our year 6s take their SATs tests. These will take place on Monday to Thursday:

8.05.17 - Reading

9.05.17 - Grammar and Spelling

10.05.17 - Maths (arithmetic and reasoning)

11.05.17 - Maths (reasoning)

After SATs we would like to take our year 6 children to the park on Friday afternoon. Weather permitting, we will be leaving school at 1:30 and arriving back at school for home-time.

End of Year Production

This year our junior children (led by year 6) will be presenting 'Alice in Wonderland'. Rehearsals begin next week. Performance dates will be the afternoon and evening of Thursday 13th July - please add this date to your diaries - more information will follow next half term.

Diary Dates

9.05.17 - Musical Gems - Toddler Group 9am

17.05.17 - assault course - more details to follow

19.05.17 - 2:15 family worship

23.05.17 - Musical Gems - Toddler Group 9am

23.05.17 - Junior Trip to the Open Centre

24.05.17 - Sports Day 1.30pm

25.05.17 - Bunting cup

Throughout May - Year 2 SATs tests

Week beginning 12.6.17 - Year 1 phonics screen check

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have again joined forces with the Explorers After School Club to be able to offer free sessions which will be paid for by the school sports premium.

These sessions will be May Pole Dancing run on Mondays and Fridays and will be available for all children in school. Children will be required to be registered with Explorers; spare forms are available in the office. The children will be asked to dance at the Summer Fair so please indicate on the slip whether your child will be attending.

Dates for these sessions will be:

Mondays - 8.5.17, 15.5.17, 22.5.17, 12.6.17

Fridays - 12.5.17, 19.5.17, 26.5.17, 9.6.17, 16.6.17

Sessions run from 3.05pm to 4pm. Snacks will be available after 4pm for these sessions. Children will need to be collected before 4.55pm.

Please indicate on the slip below if your child is interested in taking part, and whether they would prefer Monday or Friday evenings.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs K O'Connor

Headteacher

I would like my child to take part in the Explorers' May Pole Dancing sessions.

I would prefer: **Mondays** **Fridays** either day (*Please indicate preference*)

My child **will/ will not** be attending the PFA summer Fair.

Child's name: _____

Signed: _____ (Parent/Guardian)

