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Headteacher's Letter to Parents Summer Term 2023

Dear Parents,

In the last few weeks we have had some new children join school and I wanted to officially welcome: Aimee (5F), Asima (6H), Ayaz (4W), Hasiba (1G) and Aaron (Rec). Also congratulations to Miss Wilkinson who got married in half term and from September will be known as Mrs Sheppey.

Sports Day followed straight on by the Summer Fayre Tomorrow (Friday 30th June)

We are determined that the weather forecast is not going to stop us this year, especially as rain clouds at the moment are so localised and unpredictable! If we change any plans we will message all parents, **don't** contact us. Bring **umbrellas** & sun shades as it is quite likely there will be rain or drizzle at some point and then a burst of bright sunshine.

Sports Day is being held on the big field from 1.15pm and the Summer Fayre will follow straight after on the front field from 3.30 to 5.30pm. Each year group starts at an activity and then when the bell rings they stop and move in an anticlockwise direction on to the next activity. There will be a few chairs for parents on the inside of the circuit where activities are. Follow your child around to each activity and if you have more than one child bring your trainers and nip between children's events. The starting points are as follows:

All children come to school in the PE kits for the day (ideally in their house colour – but pls don't worry too much about that). They need to have sun cream applied at home please as some classes are practising in the morning so will be outside for most of the day. Hats are a really good idea, even in the cloudy conditions we are expecting.

Obstacle Race = Y5 starting point - On the station side of the field near the top

Egg & Spoon = Y6 starting point - half way up the station side of the field

Hurdles = Reception starting point – across the very top of the field where there is red sand on the grass

Throwing = Y1 starting point – The top end of the big field near the field footpath

Sprint = Y2 starting point – Near footpath which runs alongside the big field

Rest and drinks = Y3 starting point - Under the Big Tree

N.B. If the weather is OK then parents are welcome to join in the egg and spoon race (running spikes not needed). Hopefully, Danny from Dodgeball will have a microphone and help keep us in touch with events and newflash reports of great sporting successes.

As we leave the Big Field and walk through towards the front field please can some kind parents help us carry chairs and boxed up equipment back towards the school (drop off this equipment and chairs near the junior playground / swimming pool).

Only staff and PFA delivering resources will be using the infant playground for parking. The front drive will be reserved for disabled parking and a couple of families who have private swimming lessons. We will have many toddlers and young children running around at the end of the day and during the summer fayre so we must reduce risk and keep the front of school as clear from cars as possible. Please use the Borough Council



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Car Park, or the Station Approach Car Park if coming by car. The gate on the bottom playground will be open as will the gate on Greetby Hill and Waterworks Road. Please note that the gate at Bath Springs will be locked and this is where we get frequent complaints about parents blocking drives etc so some residents are understandably now taking photos of illegally parked cars & informing the police.

From 1.30 to 3.45pm the gates at the bottom of the playground will be locked. Access to the bottom playground and the footpath by the Pads will be via the front field and then walk through the Hub – this helps with co-ordination of people as well as being an incentive to go to at least a few things at the summer fayre. Toilets will be available straight after Sports Day and during the summer fayre. The WCs to be used are located at the end of the front offices (near where the new grass has been seeded). The accessible WC by the front field is strictly for people who need to use an accessible WC.

At the end of Sports Day you collect your children from where their final event is. If you have more than one child please pick up the younger child first. Any children not picked up straight away will slowly be led to the big tree in the corner of the big field which will be fenced off to form a pen. They will be supervised there by a member of the After School Club staff until all parents have left the field and then they will automatically join the ASC. This system will mean that most staff can quickly get to the stalls and bouncy castles. If you get muddled or worry where your child is just find me or a member of staff.

The costs of different events at the summer fayre vary but **cash** and coins are the way to pay so please make sure you have some **coins** in preparation (and if you are super organised a carrier bag ready for any cake buys etc). Whilst we just have enough volunteers many would love to share their role for half an hour so that they can go around with their own children, so any last minute volunteers are very welcomed to help. Please see a member of the PFA team or myself if you would like to know how you could help.

Lots of Trips

York and London Residentials – just remember that it is important to set off on time and so if your child has some medicine to hand over / explain come ten minutes earlier than the proposed meet time. Parking for drop off will be on the infant playground. For both trips we meet in the dining room.

Y3 have a day trip to Chester on Wednesday 5th July to study the Romans.

News Flash! : Y2 will be going to the Southport ECO Centre on Tuesday 18th July 😊.

Teachers and Classes for September (children will have a transition lesson with their new teacher on Monday 17th July)

Current RC children will be taught by Mrs R Wadsworth and the class will be called 1W

Current RR children will be taught by Mrs E Bull and the class will be called 1B

Current 1RH children will be taught downstairs by Mrs C Monks and will be called 2M

Current 1G children will be taught upstairs by Mrs Redfearn and will be called 2R

Current 2S children will be taught downstairs by Miss Greenall and will be called 3G

Current 2B children will be taught upstairs by Miss Swain and will be called 3S



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Current 3S children will be taught upstairs by Mr Peetoom and Miss Clark and will be called 4PC

Current 3C children will be taught downstairs by Mr Wilkinson and will be called 4W

Current 4WP children will be taught upstairs by Miss Forshaw and will be called 5F

Current 4W children will be taught downstairs by Mrs Illingworth and will be called 5I

Current 5F children will be taught upstairs by Mrs Sheppey and will be called 6S

Current 5I children will be taught downstairs by Mrs Hardman and will be called 6H

We are fortunate to be able to keep having plenty of teacher specialism in school, so Mr Bullen and Miss Blake will be teaching ICT and Spanish respectably to virtually all the classes. In addition, we have planned to have three teachers in the Reception Year group, with Mrs McBride joining Miss Cocks and Mrs Reeves. When Miss Clarke returns from her secondment at Twinkle House (just after October half term) she will be teaching the majority of the week in 4PC, releasing Mr Peetoom to teach different junior classes Science in our Science Laboratory. The Science Lab will soon have many new features which were set out in our 2020 Vision, these include: more telescopes, microscopes, fish tanks (we have been wanting to do this for ages, so it is very exciting!).

Three Farewells

After teaching at school for 32 years (!), Mrs Sutton is retiring this summer. She has consistently been an outstanding teacher and been passionate about the progress of every child in her care. Mrs Sutton was also on the school's management team for many years and more recently has been in charge of student teachers.

Mrs Simmons is also retiring this term, after working at the school for 25years. Mrs Simmons has been a teaching assistant who has a speciality in helping plug gaps in children's learning. She has led numerous intervention groups and also been our chief medical expert on trips, including to York and London.

Finally, Miss Comerford is leaving for a new position (and promotion) in a local school working in the office. Whilst in the last few years Miss Comerford has been working on finance, human resources and staff & students' mental wellbeing, most of you will know her for when she worked in the nursery – her '*real*' name being Tracy.

We would like to thank all three of these staff for their dedication and commitment to helping the children on their own journeys. Together these three staff have worked at school/ nursery for a staggering 66 years!

Summer Holiday Club

There will be an update on the holiday club, availability and times etc on Monday. No newsletter this week (this is it!).

It is still a few weeks until the end of term. End of year reports are going out at the beginning of the last week of the term. Throughout the holidays I will be catching up with emails and all nursery payments etc. Please don't hesitate to email if you have a question as emails are far more manageable than in term time.

The first day of the new school year is Monday 4th September.

Mr Storch

Inspire

Aim High

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Shine