



**'Growing & Learning Together'**

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Dear Parent or Carer

This term seems to be going very quickly. We have had a successful World Book Day and we are looking forward to Red Nose Day next week. Thank you to all our parents who help and support their children with their learning. The next few weeks will go just as quickly I am sure. Parent Meetings are being held on 21 and 22 March and I hope to see as many of you as possible over the 2 days. Slots have been filling up fast so please get online if you wish to make an appointment. We close for Easter on Friday 31 March and are back in school on 18 April.

I hope you all have a very Happy Easter.

Yours sincerely

*R McGlone*

Headteacher

**End of term**

**School closes Friday 31 March at 3.15pm  
and reopens at 8.40am on  
Tuesday 18 April 2017**

**After School – Care of Siblings**

In the last few weeks we have noticed that younger siblings have been running around the car park and have been seen around our store for netball posts and the staffroom door.

Parents are reminded to keep their children **WITH THEM** at the end of the day as younger children may get lost or hurt in places that are out of bounds to all children.

**Swimming – Year 5 & Year 6  
Non swimmers**

Next term Year 5 will be swimming – on a MONDAY, starting 24 April 2017 – please remember your swimming kit.

Any Year 6 Non-swimmer will take part in lessons as from 15 May 2017.

**Sports Day**

Sports day has been set for Friday 16 June, with a reserve date of Thursday 22 June. If both of those dates are rained off we will not be able to set another date due to other commitments in the school and the Year 6 leaving date of 7 July.

### Attendance

We recognise that there have been a significant number of illnesses this term, particularly with chickenpox in Year R and Year 1. Now that the weather is getting brighter and warmer we hope that the children's attendance will start to rise. This is a vital term for many children and we would encourage you to ensure your child is in school and on time wherever possible.

### Parent Lunches

Parents are welcome to join their children for lunch on their class allotted day. However, if you are coming for lunch, both parent and child are expected to purchase a meal or jacket potato from the kitchen.

### Sainsbury's Vouchers

Thank you to everyone who is collecting Sainsbury's vouchers. The collection unit is in the foyer by the front door.

**Confirmation of Parent lunches and Achievement Assemblies will be sent out to parents shortly**

## Reminders:

### Absence in school term time

Please be aware the school cannot authorise any absence in term time unless it is for an exceptional circumstance. Holidays are not usually accepted as exceptional circumstance; therefore if you do book a holiday in term time, you may be referred to the County Council and could be fined.

### Infant School Meals (Years R-2)

Reminder – your child is offered a free hot school meal or jacket potato every day. However, lunches are cooked to order and therefore **must** be booked in advance. A form is sent home on the Thursday to help you with your booking and this should be returned on Monday morning. If you haven't got a form – please write it on a piece of paper. Also, if there is any change to your order, please can you let us know. If you do not book a meal, then they may not be enough for your child.

### Photographs and use of mobile phones

Reminder – please turn off your mobile phones whilst in school. We do not allow photographs to be taken in assemblies by individuals as we do not have permission from all parents to allow others to take photos of their children.

### Bicycles and Scooters

Children and adults **should not cycle anywhere** inside the school grounds before or after school. This includes on the other side of the roundabout to get to the bicycle sheds. You will notice that the school council have made posters on display to remind you of these rules.

**Please find a list of diary dates attached**

DATE		EVENT
<i>March</i>	<b>20</b>	Swimming lessons Year 4 (9)
	<b>21</b>	Parent Consultations – bookings to be made online
	<b>22</b>	Parent Lunches – Year 4 ( <b>Please order &amp; pay for meals the week before</b> ). <b>Cost £2.76 per adult</b> Parent Consultations – bookings to be made online
	<b>24</b>	Achievement Assembly – Year 5 Ukulele demonstration PTA Cake Stall
	<b>27</b>	Swimming lessons Year 4 (10)
	<b>31</b>	Achievement Assembly – to be arranged School closes for Easter Holidays
<i>April</i>	<b>1 -17</b>	Easter Holidays
	<b>24</b>	Swimming lessons Year 5 (1)
	<b>25</b>	PTA meeting 7 pm
<i>May</i>	<b>1</b>	Bank holiday
	<b>8-12</b>	KS2 SATs week
	<b>8</b>	Swimming lessons Year 5 (2)
	<b>15</b>	Swimming lessons Year 5 & Year 6 Non-swimmers (3)
	<b>18</b>	Year 4 Family Café – Tea & Coffee @ 1.30 pm Start @ 1.45 pm
	<b>22</b>	Swimming lessons Year 5 & Year 6 Non-swimmers (4)
	<b>26</b>	PTA Spring Fayre & Lolly sale @ 3.30 pm
	<b>29 May -2 June</b>	Spring ½ term holiday
<i>June</i>	<b>5</b>	Back to school Swimming lessons Year 5 & Year 6 Non-swimmers (5)

This is a list of diary dates confirmed on 15 March 2017 subject to amendments.  
**Please note** – we do not text reminders for regular events, such as Parent lunches.  
Please see the electronic board for any changes.