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'Growing & Learning Together'

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Dear Parent or Carer

I hope that everyone has enjoyed the Spring Fair this afternoon. Thank you to the PTA members for their hard work in organising this now annual event.

Next term sees our Sports Day (16th June – 22nd Reserve) as well as many other varied opportunities for the children including some musical opportunities to perform at the King's Lynn Corn Exchange. The diary is quite full with school trips and visits and therefore it is unlikely we will be able to rearrange Sports Day if it is rained off on both the original and reserve days. Let us hope for good weather then!

Yours sincerely

R McGlone
Headteacher

Calendar for 2016-2017

The calendar for next year is attached. Please note that there are some changes from the Norfolk Model Calendar – we are open on Friday 27th October 2017 and closed on Monday 26th February 2018.

Warm Weather

Please remember to pack suntan cream and a hat for your children now that the weather is getting warmer. Children should be able to put sun cream on themselves, so please make sure it is named.

Teaching Staff 2017-18

Unfortunately we will be saying goodbye to Miss Heath at the end of this term. Miss Heath has to return to New Zealand for personal reasons. We thank her for all the hard work she has done this year, particularly with the SEN children. We will be announcing who your new class teacher will be shortly after half term.

Sports Day

Sports Day has been set for Friday 16th June, with a reserve date of Thursday 22nd 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.

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.

Reminder – Supervision of Children

Please remember to keep your children supervised at all times at the beginning or end of the school day. Once we have handed them over to you please do not allow them to use the equipment or climb the trees as we are not covered for insurance purposes if they fall. This also applies to the railings and the ramp outside the front entrance of the school.

Sainsbury's Vouchers

Thank you to everyone who is collecting Sainsbury's vouchers. The collection unit is in the foyer by the front door. The final date for collection in school will be 27 June 2017

Uniform Policy

Please remind yourselves of our uniform policy on our website when you are buying school uniform for the summer term or September. Please note that "Jelly Shoes" are not safe footwear to wear in school as they do not provide enough support or grip for the children in their playtimes. Can parents also familiarise themselves with our current uniform policy with regards to haircuts if they are due to get their child's haircut over the next few weeks. .

Attendance

Please continue sending your child into school every day. This may be the last half term of school but vital assessments are still taking place in every class but also Phonics screening for Years 1 and 2 and Key Stage 1 and 2 writing assessments continue until mid-June. Year 6 also are required to complete a transition project.

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. Headteachers are unable to authorise absence for holidays. Therefore if you do book a holiday in term time, it is likely you will be referred to the County Council. It is up to the County Council to decide whether they will fine parents on referral, not the school.

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/Friday 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 Mrs Haylock know of the alteration? If you do not book a meal, then there 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.

Please find a list of diary dates attached

DATE		EVENT
<i>29 May -2 June</i>		Spring ½ term holiday
<i>June</i>	5	Back to school Swimming lessons Year 5 & Year 6 Non-swimmers (5)
	6	New Parents evening 6.00 pm
	7	Parent Lunches – Year 2 (Please order & pay for meals the week before). Cost £2.76 per adult
	9	Achievement Assembly – Year 3
	12	Swimming lessons Year 5 & Year 6 Non-swimmers (6)
	15	Year 6 Family Café – Tea & Coffee @ 1.45 pm Start @ 2.00 pm
	16	Sports Day No Assembly Ice Lolly sale @ 3.15 pm
	19	Swimming lessons Year 5 & Year 6 Non-swimmers (7) Year 6 cycling training - playground
	20	Year 6 cycling training – on the road Afternoon & evening Years 3 & 4 Musical Landscapes performance – King’s Lynn Corn Exchange
	21	Year 5 visit to West Stowe Parent Lunches – Year 3 (Please order & pay for meals the week before). Cost £2.76 per adult
	22	Reserve Sports Day
	23	No Assembly
	26	No swimming Year 5 – Heritage Project –all day (rehearsal and performance @ King’s Lynn Corn Exchange
	27	Year R visit to Gressenhall Farm & Workhouse Year 6 cycling training – on the road
	28	Years 1 & 2 visit to Banham Zoo Parent Lunches – Year R (Please order & pay for meals the week before). Cost £2.76 per adult
	29	Year 6 cycling training – written test & on the road
	30	Disco – KS1 5.00 – 6.00 pm Years 3 – 5 - 6.30 – 8.00 pm Year 6 - 6.30 – 9.00 pm
<i>July</i>	3	Swimming lessons Year 5 & Year 6 Non-swimmers (8)
	4	Year 6 visit to Go Ape Thetford
	5	Parent Lunches – Year 6 (Please order & pay for meals the week before). Cost £2.76 per adult Leavers Assembly @ 2.30 pm
	6	Year 6 - Cycling test
	7	No Assembly Ice lolly sale @ 3.15 pm
	10	Year 6 Transition to DMA Years R – 5 - Class move up a year Swimming lessons Year 5 Non-swimmers (9)
	14	No Assembly
	17	Swimming lessons Year 5 Non-swimmers (10)
	21	Final Assembly starting @ 2.30 pm End of Term
<i>24 July – 5 Sept</i>		Summer Holidays
<i>September</i>	6	Back to School

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This is a list of diary dates confirmed on 26 May 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.