

Dear Parents and Carers

 **Attendance**

Letters will be sent home over the next few days for any pupils below 90% attendance. Our Attendance Officer has reviewed all attendance below 90% and will contact families directly if a pupil's attendance does not improve. Please may I remind you all that we do not automatically authorise attendance and may request extra information before deciding to authorise.

 **Pets/Animals**

We plan to have some animals in school. If your child has significant allergies to any animals please make sure that you have shared this with the School Office by 31<sup>st</sup> January 2018.

 **6<sup>th</sup> February**

We have a busy day on the 6th February. Over 60 children will be at the O2, a large number at the Watford School of Music for the Junior Singing Day and 24 Year 4 children at athletics. As a result we will have over a third of the school out. The timetables may change slightly for lunch and breaks on that day.

 **E-Safety**

Please see the Spring 2018 Herts for Learning attachment.

 **First Aid**

Mrs Kint joined as a Teaching Assistant in the latter part of the Autumn Term. Part of her role is to develop our first aid systems for the school. She has ordered new first aid records and we now have head bump wrist bands to alert you and other staff to a head bump. If your child does come home with one of these then please monitor them according to the guidance on the slip and remove the wristband before school the following day, or it could cause confusion!

 **Lost Property**

The lost property box has now moved to the porch area near to the School Office. Please check this regularly for items you are missing.

 **Music**

We are looking forward to Year 3 starting recorder lessons and Year 5 ukulele lessons over the next couple of weeks. If you would like to purchase a recorder for your child, please pay £6 via the School Gateway. I do hope that the children enjoy this opportunity and that it will encourage more interest in music. Year 4 have already begun rehearsals for 'Cinderella Rockafella'. The majority of Year 6 are preparing for their performance at the O2 in February.

 **Calendar Dates**

Please see the term dates for 2018/2019. The dates have been agreed with both the Infants and Junior School.



### **School Dinners**

Please make sure you check your "View Bookings" on the School Gateway system with your child to ensure that your child has meals booked and they know what meal they are having.



### **Young Voices – 02 Arena**

A final letter will be emailed soon regarding our Year 6 children visiting the 02 Arena for the Young Voices on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2018. We have not received the audience tickets yet however, when we do, we will let you know so these can be collected from the School Office.



### **Junior Singing Day – Watford School of Music**

Please see separate correspondence regarding this event at Watford School of Music on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2018. If your child has been authorised to attend by Miss Sherry and you have booked a school meal on this day, please let Mrs Harrison, in the School Office, know so this can be cancelled. A credit will be issued on your account.



### **Music Invoices**

The music invoices for the Spring Term 2018 will be accessible to pay on the School Gateway very soon. An email will be sent to inform you when this is available. Band practice payment will also be on the School Gateway in the next week.



### **Golden Pupils**

This week we celebrated the following children for their achievements:

Year 3: Daisy B, Nina B, Chloe H, Mya L, Alex Y, Ellie S

Year 4: Aryan S, Liam S, Kian P, Safira L

Year 5: Jamie M, Harvey W, Theo C, Luna P, Nathan W, Samir F

Year 6: Alex G, Amelie M, Sam S, Francesca P, Nihal B, Zoha N



### **Special Mentions also go to:**

Jazz Dance Trophy – Charlotte C, Megan P, Sophie R

Alexandra B - Grade 1 Trombone

William R – Grade 2 Trumpet

Stanley T – Grade 2 Trombone

Thomas W – Grade 2 Trombone

Joel S – Grade 2 Cornet

Amit P – Grade 2 Trombone

Eleanor W – Grade 2 Cornet

Lola M – Grade 2 Cornet

Daniel C – Grade 3 Cornet

This week the **Golden Broom** has been awarded to **6 Beech**. Well done!

Kind regards

Jenny Sherry and the Office Team

**Calendar dates for your diary.....to be updated next week**

<b>JANUARY 2018</b>	
19 <sup>th</sup>	School Orchestra starts back for Spring Term 2018
26 <sup>th</sup>	4 Hawthorn Class Assembly – 9am School Hall
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	5 Pine Class Assembly – time to be confirmed
6 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 – Young Voices – 02 Arena – see separate correspondence
6 <sup>th</sup>	Junior Singing Day – Watford School of Music – see separate correspondence
9 <sup>th</sup>	4 Hazel Class Assembly – 9am School Hall
12 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup>	<b>HALF TERM</b>
21 <sup>st</sup>	Gardening Club starts – see separate correspondence
23 <sup>rd</sup>	5 Pear Class Assembly – time to be confirmed
26 <sup>th</sup> Feb to 1 <sup>st</sup> March	World Book Week
<b>MARCH</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup>	World Book Day
2 <sup>nd</sup>	4 Holly Class Assembly – 9am School Hall
9 <sup>th</sup>	6 Maple Class Assembly – 9am School Hall
14 <sup>th</sup>	Non-uniform day
14 <sup>th</sup>	Paediatric First Aid Evening - Infant and Junior School parents/carers
16 <sup>th</sup>	6 Beech Class Assembly – 9am School Hall
21 <sup>st</sup>	Year 4 Easter Production – Afternoon performance – times to be confirmed
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Year 4 Easter Production – Evening performance – times to be confirmed
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Sport Relief
23 <sup>rd</sup>	6 Oak Class Assembly – 9am School Hall
26 <sup>th</sup> – 29 <sup>th</sup>	Autism Awareness Week
29 <sup>th</sup>	<b>SPRING TERM ENDS 1.30pm</b>
29 <sup>th</sup>	Non-uniform Day
<b>APRIL</b>	
16 <sup>th</sup>	<b>SUMMER TERM BEGINS</b> – pupils return to school
<b>MAY</b>	
2 <sup>nd</sup> – 4 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5 Residential – Woodrow High House – more details to follow
7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Bank Holiday Monday</b>
21 <sup>st</sup> – 25 <sup>th</sup>	Outdoor Learning Week
28 <sup>th</sup> – 1 <sup>st</sup> June	<b>HALF TERM</b>
<b>JUNE</b>	
4 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup>	Street Smart Week
29 <sup>th</sup>	Inset Day
<b>JULY</b>	
2 <sup>nd</sup> – 6 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Isle of Wight Trip
12 <sup>th</sup>	Transition Day
17 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Production – PM and EVENING performances
19 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Leavers Assembly and tea/coffee with Year 6 parents
19 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Party - TBC

20 <sup>th</sup>	Non-uniform Day
20 <sup>th</sup>	<b>SUMMER TERM ENDS 1.30pm</b>
23 <sup>rd</sup> – 27 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Occasional Days</b>
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Inset Day
4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Back to school for Autumn Term 2018</b>
<b>OCTOBER</b>	
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Parent/Carer Consultation evening – TBC
24 <sup>th</sup>	Parent/Carer Consultation evening - TBC
26 <sup>th</sup>	Inset Day
29 <sup>th</sup> - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	<b>HALF TERM</b>
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	
5 <sup>th</sup>	Back to school
30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Occasional Day</b>
<b>DECEMBER</b>	
21 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Term Ends</b>
<b>JANUARY 2019</b>	
7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Back to school for Spring Term 2018</b>
<b>FEBRUARY 2019</b>	
18 <sup>th</sup> – 22 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>HALF TERM</b>
25 <sup>th</sup>	Back to school
<b>MARCH 2019</b>	
<b>APRIL 2019</b>	
5 <sup>th</sup>	Term Ends 1.30pm
8 <sup>th</sup> to 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Easter Holiday
23 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Back to school for Summer Term 2018</b>
<b>MAY 2019</b>	
6 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Bank Holiday</b>
27 <sup>th</sup> – 31 <sup>st</sup>	<b>HALF TERM</b>
<b>JUNE 2019</b>	
<b>JULY 2019</b>	
19 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Term Ends 1.30pm</b>
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