Dear Parents and Carers



Weather

We had some fantastic weather over the Easter holidays but things have now changed. Please make sure that your child has a suitable amount of clothing for school. We also go outside in light rain, coats are essential.



Lego donation

Huge thanks to the Norris family for the donation of Lego for the school. This will be really useful for our Golden Time sessions.



CSA Meeting for the Summer Fair

Our lovely CSA are meeting next Wednesday evening (3rd May 2017) in the Infant Community Room. Please come along and see how you could help. All funds raised go toward the many improvement projects.



School Shoes

All children are expected to wear black school shoes in school. This is not a new rule. Black trainers are not school uniform. Please make sure that you provide your child with the correct uniform.



School hoodies

Many of Year 6 have bought school hoodies this year. Before organising any for next year please could parents speak to me? I was wondering about ordering them in a school blue so that they could be worn as part of the year 6 uniform? This might make them better value for parents, especially if bought earlier in the year?



Curriculum Newsletters

Curriculum newsletters will be sent out next week with dates for assemblies.



Nando's Visit – Thursday 4th May 2017

Year 4 (Class 4A) are due to visit Nando's next week. The trip is a great opportunity to see what happens behind the scenes at the restaurant, with a tour of the kitchen, a talk from the Chef along with a history of the brand. The children will also be treated to Nando's lunch before returning to school with a free goody bag! Needless to say the staff and children are very excited! Please make sure the children arrive at the School Office at 8.15am where Miss Asmat will meet them. They must leave promptly at 8.30am.



Year 5 Woodrow Trip

The staff will be catching up on their sleep this weekend in preparation for the action packed trip to Woodrow. I am sure that they will have a great time. Miss Ferguson will be attending the trip to ensure that we have a good balance of experienced staff. The weather forecast is getting better each day.



If you have been issued with a support plan for your child then please could you comment and sign on these plans so that we have them back in school. Please return to the School Office. Thank you!



The Gardening Club is up and running and the children were very busy planting on Wednesday. We are, however, looking for donations of gardening equipment such as rakes, pots, hosepipes, spades, forks, etc. If you are having a spring clean in your shed and you would like to donate these to the school please bring them to the School Office where they will be gratefully received.

Ramadan

Ramadan starts soon and it would be very helpful to know whether your child will be fasting or not. If they need a quiet place during the lunch break then we can make a room available. Please let us know by email and name the email 'Ramadan arrangements' so that they are dealt with correctly. Thank you!

Cartwheel Outfits

Many of the girls wear shorts under their skirts so that they can maintain some modesty. Please make sure that these are not visible below the hem of their skirts (when upright!)

SATs 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th May

The SATs are nearly upon us once again and Year 6 have been preparing well. During the week of SATs we need to operate under exam conditions. Please make sure that all children in school are in promptly and understand that there may be a few minor changes to the timetables to reduce disruption to the Year 6 pupils. TAs will be supporting Year 6 during this week.

Mrs Keating

The baggy dresses may have been a give-away but I am now allowed to share the news that Mr and Mrs Keating are expecting their baby at the start of September. I am sure that you will join me in congratulating them both.

Staffing

I am sure that this has made you question the staffing arrangements for next year. Mr Stanley and I are currently working on class allocations for next year. We will share this with you in June when arrangements are finalised.

Sarewell

We are sad to say goodbye today to Mrs Noble who has worked in our school kitchen for nine years. We wish her well in the future.

School Vision

The Governing Body are reviewing the school vision and aims and are requesting input from the whole school community. The school vision is fundamental in describing what the school is trying to achieve. This is your opportunity to have your voice heard! Please follow the link to participate in their survey.

https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/T6MRCDM

The survey closes on Sunday 30th April so that it can be discussed at the Full Governing Body meeting on Monday 8th May.



Golden Pupils

Our Golden Pupils this week are...

Year 6: Katie G, Miraj S, Isabella T, Dylan B, Eloise M, Rianna P Year 5: Robbie C, Rafay S, Mikayla M, Molly A, Aleena Z, Haseen F

Year 4: Maryam K, Jamie M, Issy G, Amit P, Isla S, Samuel R

Year 3: Harry C-M, Saffy L, Charlie T, Romaan A, Jacob C

The following pupils also received a mention:

Igra Khan, Maria Shah, Haniah Ilyas and Oliver Teale – for their commitment to learning.

Wishing you a lovely Bank Holiday weekend,

Jenny and the Office Team

Diary dates on next page......



Dates for your diary

APRIL	
MAY	
1 st	Bank Holiday – school closed
3 rd - 5 th	Year 5 Residential Trip to Woodrow High House
4 th	Class 4A – Nando's Visit
8 th - 11 th	SATS week
11 th	Class 4K – Nando's Visit
16 th	Autism Awareness Drop in and Coffee morning
16 th	Beginners String Day – Watford School of Music
18 th	Class 4V – Nando's Visit
18 th	Class Photos
18	Half term 29 th May to 2 nd June
HINE	Hall term 29 May to 2 June
JUNE 15 th	Van A Trin to KidZania
17 th	Year 4 Trip to KidZania
	Cassio Fest – Summer Fair - 12 noon
19 th – 23 rd	Year 6 Residential Trip to Little Canada, Isle of Wight
JULY	
3 rd	Open Evening for new and existing parents and carers
6 th	School Sports Day – starting at 1pm
7 th	Live Music Event – 7pm start (organised by CSA)
11 th	Year 3 Trip to Whipsnade – Letter to follow
13 th	Year 6 Secondary Transfer Day
20 th	Leavers Assembly – 9am
21 st	SUMMER TERM ENDS 1.30PM
AUGUST	30 th & 31 st Inset Days
SEPTEMBER	
1 st	Inset Day
4 th	Autumn Term begins – pupils return to school

OCTOBER	Autumn Half Term 23 rd Oct – 27 th Oct
DECEMBER	Christmas Holidays 20 th Dec to 1 st Jan 2018
JANUARY	4 th January 2018 – SCHOOL RETURNS
FEBRUARY	Half term 12 th Feb – 16 th Feb 2018