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Dear Parents, Carers and Governors,

Healthy Mind, Healthy Body

Next week is a focus week for Healthy Mind, Healthy Body. We will, weather permitting, start each day with a whole-school workout on the playground. Children will not need to change into their PE kits, just a change of shoes and the aim of getting the body moving! Different classes will be leading these sessions each morning, therefore please ensure that your child is in school on time so that everyone can benefit from these workouts.

There are different Healthy Mind, Healthy Body activities happening each day that we will update you on next week and as the week goes on. However, one of these activities is open for **parents and carers to attend too if you are able. Please read on for more details...**

Mindfulness Assembly - Parents Welcome

On Wednesday 26th June at 9.05am we have a visitor in school leading an assembly on mindfulness in the hall. Mindfulness is something that we hope to introduce throughout the **school; in it's literal sense, mindfulness is defined as the mental state achieved by focusing awareness on the present moment, while calmly acknowledging and accepting feelings, thoughts and sensations.** It is often used as a therapeutic technique and is gaining popularity **as a tool in reminding us to just "be" and take five minutes to calm and recharge which in turn is proven to keep us less stressed and feeling happier.** This assembly is part of a series of mindfulness sessions and workshops that will be taking place throughout the school next week as part of our Healthy Mind, Healthy Body week. Please do come along, there is no need to book - many of us could often benefit from taking a moment out of our busy lives to recharge. Just be prepared to remove your shoes to join in with the activities!

Music Festival



I am sure you will agree that the Music Festival was a hit! As I shared on the actual day, it is through fundraising activities, that you all attend, which allows the school to purchase **resources such as a music specialist's time and the use of a professional stage and sound crew.**

The staff from Triple A Events, the company that supplied the stage and sound, were **fantastic with the children and provided an experience of what it is like to be on a 'real' stage** - a huge thanks to them for supporting our event with both their equipment and expertise. A big thank you also to Mrs Holland who has been an inspiration for the children, and who has encouraged them to access and try out new areas of the music curriculum as a result of her tuition. It has been a fabulous experience all round, and for the children to know they have this voice within them! It has certainly fed their confidence too, which is great.

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Recycling



You child will have come home today with a small box for recycling batteries at home. Please do support this, and return the boxes to school when they are full so that we can add any batteries collected to our larger container on site to recycle them.

On a similar note, the school has also recently signed up to take part in the Terracycle crisp packet recycling scheme. Any brand of crisp packet can be recycled through this scheme; **Terracycle's goal is to focus on hard-to-recycle materials**, developing circular solutions for otherwise linear systems and diverting as much as possible from our landfills and incinerators. Crisp packets are still not widely recycled in the UK and so the school has signed up to this initiative in an effort to continue to recycle as much of what is used on site as possible. There is now a bright yellow dustbin in our lunch hall for the recycling of all crisp packets, so please do encourage your child to participate and remember to put their empty crisp packets in the yellow bin!



School Class Photographs

If you are wanting to place an order for class photographs these need to be returned to the school office, along with payment if you wish to pay by cash or cheque, by Tuesday 25th June in order to ensure that they are received back in time for the end of term.

If you would prefer to order online, the deadline is midnight on Monday 24th June so that these can be grouped with orders received through the school office and also delivered to the school.

Any orders received after the deadlines stated above can still be placed but will incur an additional charge of £4 to cover the cost of late administration and postage costs - these late orders will be delivered to your home address and not to the school.

Attendance Ted

For the second time this term, Attendance Ted has been awarded to Saturn class for 99.35% attendance this week. Well done to all in Saturn class - and keep it up!



Punctuality Pup

Punctuality Pup will be spending time with Jupiter class next week as a result of all pupils having 100% punctuality this week; no recorded lates at all! Well done!



Used Postage Stamps

If you are a new parent or carer to our school, you may not be aware that there is a box in the school reception area where we collect used postage stamps in order to raise funds for

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the UK Air Ambulance Services. These are charities that receive no government funding and rely entirely on charitable donations to continue flying and responding to life threatening medical emergencies. Please do keep your used postage stamps, which can be British or from overseas, and bring them into school. This is a national scheme that raises funds through the recycling of stamps, all you need to do is cut or carefully tear the stamped corner from any envelope or parcel that you receive in the post and, once you have a large bundle, bring them in to us and we'll do the rest! Thank you.

Dad's Day

Thank you to all the Dads that visited us last Friday, it was certainly a noisy day in school! The children continue to love the days that a family member is on site and learning alongside them. It is a challenging day with all of the changes to our daily routines that need to happen, however we continue to believe that days such as this are worth the effort and hope that you do too.

Sports Morning

Don't forget that it is Sports Morning next week on Thursday between 9.30am and 11.00am.

We have been asked by some parents if there is to be a picnic following the sporting events but this is not the case and it is a normal school lunch menu for the children. We do this in the morning, over a couple of hours, so that the children are not sitting on the grass during the hottest part of the day. Afterwards, they will return to school and enjoy an ice pop!

Evacuation Exercise at Sutton Valence School

On Friday 28th June, Sutton Valence School across the road will be carrying out an evacuation procedure at 9.00am. This involves the evacuation of all staff and pupils from the school site and to signal the start of the procedure, they will sound an evacuation alarm which bears resemblance to a Second World War air raid siren. It is very loud in order to reach all buildings across their large site, and therefore the local community are being warned about the **exercise. Please don't be alarmed if you hear the alarm, and do help to remind your children that it will be taking place so that they are prepared for the siren!**

PTFA Corner

Non-Uniform Day, 5th July

Please can KS1 pupils bring cakes or biscuits for the cake stall, and KS2 pupils bring a bottle for the bottle tombola. Thank you for supporting our Summer Fair.



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Summer Fair Raffle, 6th July

Raffle tickets went out in book bags last week. Please do try and sell the tickets you have to friends and family, there are more available from the school office if required. Prizes include a Headcorn Aerodrome flight for two over Leeds Castle, Kent and East Sussex Railway family travelcard, John Starns Photography Family Location mini shoot including a choice of five digital files, The Ridge round of golf for four with two buggies, plus lots more vouchers and prizes. Thank you!

100 Club

We have a few numbers available to buy for the next school year. If you are interested in joining the 100 Club for £12 a year, giving you 12 chances throughout the year to win £50, please register your interest via svprimaryptfa@hotmail.co.uk giving your name and a contact number. We will then contact you as numbers become available. Please be aware that you can have a maximum of only two numbers at any one address.

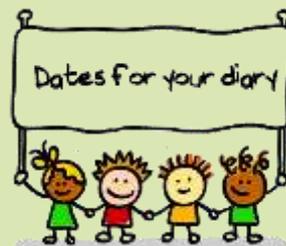
Welcome Back Camping, 14th and 15th September

Fliers will be going out in book bags next week. Arrive at 2pm on 14th September to pitch your tent, with games and activities starting at 3pm. This is an all-inclusive event - price includes BBQ, tea, coffee, squash, breakfast, festival glitter, kites and a camp fire with marshmallows. There will be a cash bar on the Saturday evening and there is the option of coming just for the Saturday afternoon/evening or for the whole weekend. £4 per person if booked by the end of the summer term, £5 thereafter. Tickets available via the PTFA post box.



School Diary Dates

24th-28th June	Healthy Mind, Health Body week
24th June	Fire Safety talk, all year groups
25th June	Fantastic Fred Mental Health workshops
27th June	Sports Morning
27th June	Drop In Thursday
28th June	Year 6 trip to Police Headquarters
1st July	Year R and 1, trip to Port Lympe
9th July	Guitar Assembly, 2.30pm



Wishing everyone a restful weekend - Miss Terry, Headteacher

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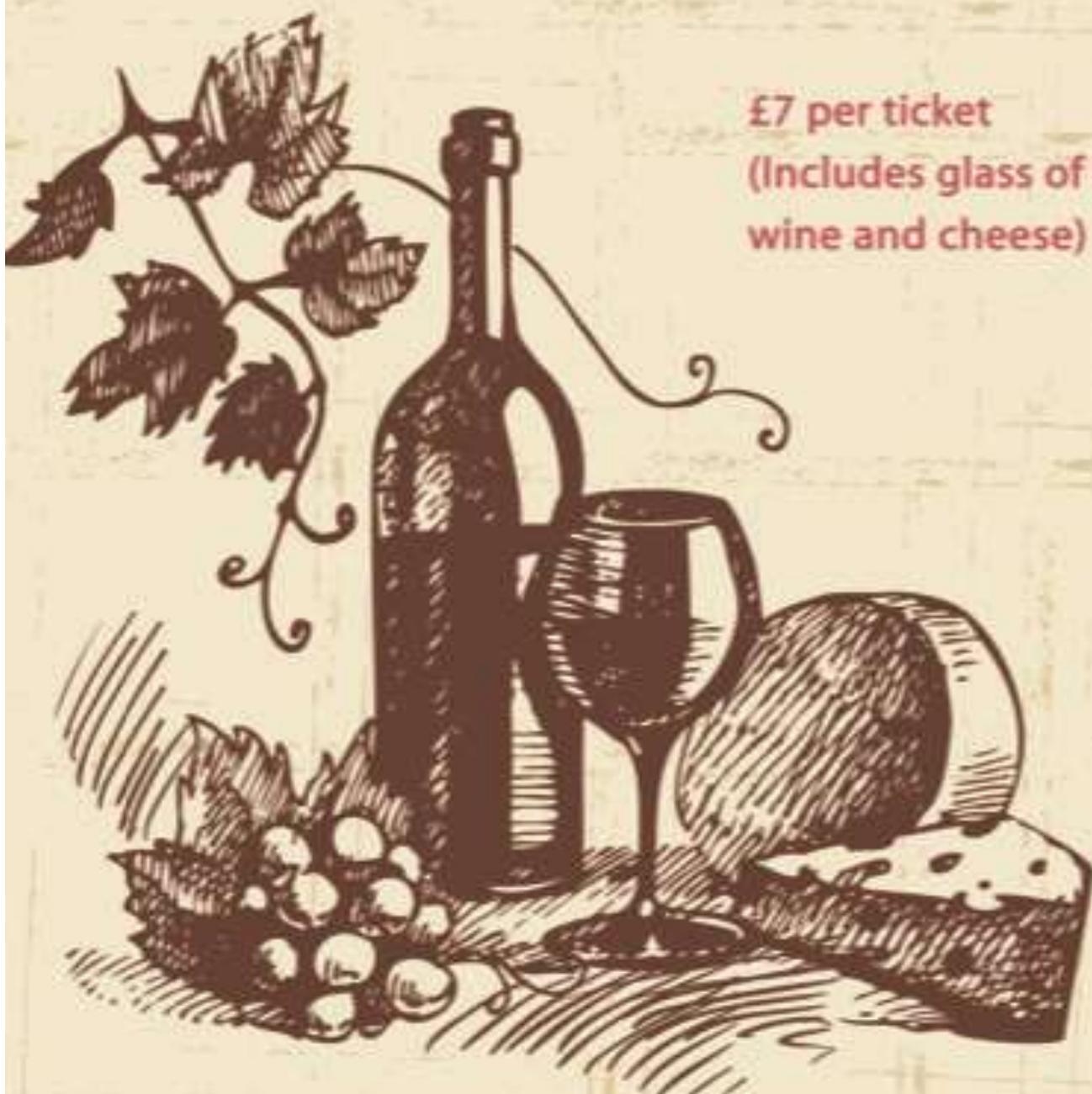
WINE AND CHEESE NIGHT

Sat 22nd June @ 7.30pm

Queens Head pub (In the barn and courtyard)

£7 per ticket

(Includes glass of house
wine and cheese)



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SUMMER FAIR

Saturday 6th July

12-3pm



Live Music

Bar, BBQ, Tea & Cakes

Nerf Challenge, Penalty Shootout

Bouncy Castle, Inflatable MEGA Slide

Face Painting & Glitter Tattoos, Coconut Shy

Bowling, Plants, Class Stalls, Dance and Guitar Performances