

NEWSLETTER

Breakfast Club

Following on from the questionnaire that we sent home about a Breakfast Club I would like to update you all. We are hoping to be able to offer care in the morning for children at the school from 7.30am until 8.30am (when school starts). Please keep an eye on the newsletter for updates throughout this term. Once we have finalised plans we will write to all parents with our full offer for before school.

Parental Behaviour

I would like to thank parents for all of their support in relation to the letter we sent home earlier this week. We have had a lot of parents coming forward to speak to us. Thank you again for your support.

New Parents Meeting

I would like to thank all of the parents who attended the new parent meetings yesterday evening for children starting Nursery or Reception in September. If you missed the meeting please can you pick up your pack from the school office.

Volunteers needed to organise our Summer Fair

I would like to thank the team who have put on some fantastic events for the school this year. They are needing more helpers to organise our Summer Fair. We have provisionally set a date of Friday 10th July. If anyone would like to help organise this event and future events please leave your details with the school office or email foch@hotmail.com. Without more helpers unfortunately the Summer Fair will not be able to go ahead.

Assemblies

5JS took the audience back in time to 900 AD to visit the Ancient Kingdom of Benin. They put on a wonderful drama to show their knowledge of this term's topic and produced a human timeline to help us picture where Benin belongs in history. As a finale, the children treated the audience to a performance of Djembe drumming to show off the skills they have learnt in Music. Well done 5JS.

This morning 1KW performed their assembly which gave us all an insight into their recent topic, 'When I Grow Up'. The children enjoyed talking about life cycles and how we change as we get older. They then performed 'The Circle of Life' beautifully using lots of actions. All of the children read their lines clearly and shared their hopes for the future. Well done to all of the children in 1KW!

Sponsored Wildlife Hunt

We need your help! As a school we are lucky to have lots of outdoor environments to enhance children's learning, we are currently trying to redevelop our school pond to create a great space for the children to learn.

To raise money to develop the pond, we will be hosting a sponsored wildlife hunt on Monday 8th and Tuesday 9th June for all the children at Cowley Hill.

There are prizes on offer for children who raise the money, including tickets to Paradise Wildlife Park, a family ticket to Willows Farm and vouchers for garden centres, among many more! For more information about the event and sponsorship, please refer to the letter sent home or speak to the Office.

Class Attendance

The classes with the best attendance from last Friday to yesterday in Reception/KS1 is 1YN 100% attendance and in KS2 4JB with 98.5%... WELL DONE 1YN and 4JB.

Group - Reception/KS1	% Possible	% Attend
Year 1 - Soniya Dass	100	100
Reception - Kimberley Gurrey	100	99.3
Year 1 - Katie Witham	100	97
Year 2 - Tara Sassoon	100	96.2
Year 2 - Jenny Gilbert	100	95
Reception - Andrea Fullman	100	89.3

Group - KS2	% Possible	% Attend
Year 4 - June Boother/Elizabeth Langridge	100	98.5
Year 3 - Melissa Newberry	100	97.7
Year 4 - Ed Farrell	100	96.5
Year 6 - Andrew Penn	100	95
Year 3 - Toyin Opidipe	100	94.5
Year 6 - Yesim Soyel	100	93
Year 5 - Sarah Day	100	92.5
Year 5 - Nadia Parker	100	90.9

Walk to School

Well done to all of the children who have travelled actively to school in May.

We have awarded 262 badges this month!

6AP have won the class of the month for May with a mighty 95% of journeys travelled actively. Let's have more badges in June.

Message for Year 5 Parents from SW Herts Consortium Schools

The website and postal facility for parents to register their children to sit tests for any of the SW Herts Consortium schools are now available. The schools are: Parmiter's, Bushey Meads, St Clement Danes, Rickmansworth, Queens', Watford Grammar School for Boys and Watford Grammar School for Girls.

The test registration website address is: www.swhertsschools.org.uk There are links to each school's website, and a frequently asked questions section.

Term Dates for 2015/16

AUTUMN TERM 2015

Thursday 3rd September to Friday 18th December
 Half-Term Week - Monday 26th to Friday 30th
 October
School Closed on 6th November

SPRING TERM 2016

Tuesday 5th January to Friday 1st April
 Half-Term Week - Monday 15th to Friday 19th
 February
 Bank Holiday - Friday 25th March
 Bank Holiday - Monday 28th March

SUMMER TERM 2016

Tuesday 19th April to Friday 22nd July
 Half-Term Week - Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd
 June
 Bank Holiday - Monday 2nd May
School Closed 27th June

Please note - the additional dates in italics.

Class Assemblies

Date	9.15am Start	9.45am Start
Friday 12 th June	4JB	R-SD
Friday 19 th June	3CM	R-KG
Thursday 25 th June	2JG	Nursery AM
Friday 3 rd July		2TS

Friday 3 rd July @ 2.30pm	Nursery PM at 2.30pm
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7 th July	Year 6 Induction Evening at Hertswood
8 th July	Governors Meeting
9 th July	Year 6 - moving up day
9 th July	Meet the Teacher
13 th July	Open Evening - Collect your childs report
15 th July	Sports Presentation
17 th July	End of Term - 2pm finish

Summer Term Dates

8 th June	Assessment Week
	KS1 Sats
9 th June	Year 5/6 Kwik Cricket Tournament at Hertswood
12 th June	U11 Athletics at Hertswood
17 th June	School Photographer in Class Groups
19 th June	Schools Art Show
19 th June	Year 5/6 Football Tournament at Hertswood
22 nd June	Pedestrian Skills
22 nd June	Reception Stay & Play Session
23 rd June	Pedestrian Skills
23 rd June	Year 2 Dance Festival at Queens
23 rd June	Performing Arts Concert at Allum Hall
24 th June	Year 5 taster day at Hertswood
24 th June	Reception trip to Shepreth Wildlife Park
25 th June	Year 3 to The British Museum
29 th June	Governor Day
30 th June	Year 6 Setpoint Giant Tetrahedrons
30 th June	Year 4 trip to Affinity Water Education Centre
30 th June	Year 5 Athletics at Queens
1 st July	Reception & Nursery Sports Day
1 st July	Year 2 trip to the Natural History Museum
3 rd July	Year 1 to 6 Sports Day
6 th July	Year 6 Performances - dates to be confirmed
6 th July	No more Clubs for the rest of term

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