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## MAY NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents,

At last the sun has decided to make an appearance and it really does feel now that summer is truly upon us. For safety reasons, children should bring a hat to school to wear and wear sunscreen to protect them at break times. If playtimes become too hot then the studio is used for the children to cool off.

### Manchester Terrorist Attack

Inevitably, following the incident at Manchester earlier this week, there has been some discussion and questions asked by the children around the terrible events - this has been mainly in junior classes - which teachers have attempted to answer as factually and honestly as possible. Following these discussions, part of this morning's assembly was dedicated to reassuring children and supporting children's worries about possible future terrorist attacks. Children were shown information on this website: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/13865002> which some of you may also feel helpful in supporting your children. And this website also contains helpful advice: <https://www.winstonswish.org.uk/responding-children-young-people-affected-media-coverage-incident-manchester/>

### KS1 & 2 SATs

Our year 6 pupils took their SATs earlier this month, the results of which will be published sometime in July. All of the children made a huge effort to do their very best during the week and Mr Kinnear, Mrs Jones and I were really pleased with the mature way that the children approached the tests.

The Year 2 children have also completed their assessments and these will be used to inform teacher assessments for the end of KS1.

### The Scotts Mile

As part of our Healthy School's initiative, lots of children have been joining in the daily mile initiative at lunchtimes and many have already completed either half a marathon or a whole marathon so well done to these children and keep up the good work! Please see the list of names of these children on the school website sports section: <http://www.scotts.havering.sch.uk/news>

## **Scotts Sports Crew**

This Year's Scotts Sports Crew have undergone training and will be delivering a day of fun activities for the infant children later on in the term. Marion Tucker, Havering's schools sports advisor, sent an email into school, complimenting the children on their fantastic behaviour:

*"Just to let you now that your sports crew on Friday gave 100%. They listened well, answered questions and worked as a 'team'. They gave their very best effort in the 'circuit competition'...Some were on their knees...not because they were unfit, but because they gave their all! They are going to be a great team to work with!"*

## **West Ham Day**

West Ham visited the school last week and took over our school! Years 1-6 did a practical session, which involved them completing challenges set by different West Ham players. This was then followed by a classroom-based session to test the children's knowledge, and in the juniors, their match report writing skills. Finally, throughout the day, all classes got creative with lots of different artwork, including mosaics, paintings and stick craft! Thank you to Mrs White for organising this fantastic event.

## **Sports events**

Please continue to see the school's website re results of competitions etc. that the children have participated in. <http://www.scotts.havering.sch.uk/news/scotts-sports-stars>

## **Year R Mini- beast mornings**

Thank you to Year R parents and grandparents who attended the mini-beast mornings. The children had a lovely time and the teachers hope that parents and grandparents did too.

## **New Reception Parent meeting**

It was so lovely to see so many parents at yesterday's meeting - existing parents and new parents too. This is always an anxious time for parents so I would like to reinforce the message that was given yesterday about parents contacting the school as soon as possible if they have any concerns or worries about the transition.

## **Safety & Behaviour:**

Please remember that our open door sessions continue to run on the first day of every month.

## **Upcoming events this term to do with safeguarding include:**

- Deaf Awareness assembly on Thursday 8th June
- Termly fire drill will take place
- Gangs presentation for Years 4- 5 (Community Police) on Friday 9th June. Further details will be sent out about this
- Malicious Communication workshop for children in Years 5 & 6 will take place on Friday 16th June (Community police). This workshop will include issues around texting and sexting. Further details will be sent out to parents about this event.

- The school nurse will be talking with children in Years 5 & 6 about body changes and puberty on Friday 16th June. A further communication will also be sent out about this.

## **Other upcoming events**

### **JTAs at the Transport Museum**

As part of their work around travel, our four Junior Travel Ambassadors: Maddie Bailey, Ted Rovai, Tianna Barber and Joe Wright have been invited to the Transport Museum on Wednesday 7th June.

### **Linda Galloway Football Tournament**

This football tournament is taking place at Wykeham School on the morning of Saturday 10th June. I am sure that Mrs Knapp and the girls' football team would appreciate your support and we wish them the best of luck!

### **Music assembly**

Children who have been learning to play a musical instrument will have the opportunity to show off their skills on Tuesday 13th June. Parents of our musicians will be receiving an invitation shortly.

### **Scotts Extended Opportunities project**

Our next writers' workshop is taking place on Thursday 15th June for selected pupils in Years 4 and 5.

### **Year 5 secondary transfer meeting**

There will be a meeting for Year 5 parents on Thursday 15th June at 6pm. This will give the opportunity for parents to learn more about the secondary transfer process. We will also be talking about next year's PGL trip. Mr McEachem Head Teacher from Sanders School will also be attending.

### **Enterprise at Scotts**

The children in Years 3 - 6 will be introduced to a new Enterprise Initiative at Scotts on Friday 16th June. We hope this will give budding entrepreneurs the opportunity to develop their enterprise skills!

### **Junior Music festival**

The choir will be singing at the Junior Music Festival at the Queens Theatre on Thursday 22nd June so we wish them well and hope they have a lovely evening. I can hear their rehearsals from my office and they sound fantastic!

### **Sports Day**

Please note that our Infant and Junior Sports Day is a little earlier in the term than in previous years and will be taking place on Wednesday 28th June (Reserve date is 12th July). A separate communication will be sent out about this.

### Multi-cultural week

The school is holding a multi-cultural week next half term. Each class has a designated country and are undertaking a range of activities to do with their chosen country. Parents will be invited in to school in the very near future to see what the children have been up to.

### Good to be Different Day

The school will be holding its termly 'Good to be Different' day where the focus is on children learning about acceptance and understanding of others and what makes us all special and unique.

### Junior Citizen Programme

The Year 6 children will be taking part in the Junior Citizen Programme held at Harold Hill on Friday 30th June.

### Year 6 Residential

The Year 6 pupils will be attending their residential trip to the Isle of Wight from the 3rd July. I am sure they will have a wonderful time. As always, the website will be updated with important information when the time arises.

### Chinese visit

Through the services provided by the British Council, Mrs Boardman has arranged for a class of pupils and their teachers to visit our school, during the week of 3rd - 7th July. Teachers will be undertaking some preparation work with the pupils so that they get the most out of this visit.

### Hall Mead Maths Quiz

A team of Year 5 pupils will again be competing in this year's maths quiz at Hall Mead on Friday 7th July. This is always a well-attended and competitive event.

### Parents' Evening and Art Exhibition

Please note that this year's parent evening will be on Tuesday 11th July.

### Meet the Teacher morning

Classes will be visiting their new classrooms and meeting their new teacher on the morning of Wednesday 19th July. Further details re classes and staff will be sent out after the half term holiday.

### Year 6 production

The Year 6 production will take place on the morning of Thursday 20th July @ 9:30am.

### Class assemblies

Please note the date for the class assemblies next half term are:

YR Ch on Friday 16th June

YR W on Friday 23rd June

## Trips/workshops for Years R-2

Trips for this term include:

Year 5 to Harry Potter Studio on 12<sup>th</sup> June

Year 1 to Colchester Zoo on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June

Infant activity day (in school) on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June

Year R visit to Tropical wings on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July

Year 2 to Mountfitchet Castle on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July

## FOSA

### FOSA Race Night

FOSA are holding a Race Night on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June so please get in touch with them if you would like to attend.

### Non-Uniform Day

Please note that this will be on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June. FOSA are requesting that instead of the usual £1, that donations be sent in to school to be used as raffle prizes during the summer fayre. More details to follow.

### FOSA Coffee morning

FOSA will be holding a coffee morning on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 9am. If you have an hour or so to spare then this is a good opportunity to meet other parents and share ideas about fundraising.

### Summer Fayre

A reminder that the school's summer fayre is taking place on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> July.

Please see the diary dates below for your information - extra information will be sent out as necessary.

Thank you for your continued support and have a lovely and relaxing half term break. Please remember that tomorrow, Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May, is INSET day.

## Additional Dates for Your Diary:

Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	INSET DAY -School closed.
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May-Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Half Term Holidays
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Junior Travel Ambassadors to the Transport Museum
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Linda Galloway Girls' Football Tournament.
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Y5 at Harry Potter Studios
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Y3 & Y4 Cricket Competition
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> June	Able Writers Day (visiting primary schools)
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> June	Y5 Secondary Transfer Meeting at 6pm
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Reception Chestnut class Assembly at 9:15am details to follow
	Y1H & Y1S visit to Colchester Zoo
	FoSA Non-uniform Day

Saturday 17th June  
Tuesday 20th June  
Friday 23rd June

Wednesday 28th June  
Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July  
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July  
Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July  
Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July  
Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July

FoSA Race Night  
Y3 & Y4 Quad Kids at Hornchurch Stadium  
Reception Willow Class Assembly at 9:15am - details to follow  
FoSA Coffee Morning  
Sports Day - details to follow  
Reception visit to Tropical Wings - details to follow  
Y2 visit to Mountfitchet Castle - details to follow  
Parents Evening & Art Exhibition  
Y6 Production at 9.30am  
Last day at school.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J Taylor  
(Head Teacher)

