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Dear families,

Around school this week: Year R using the outside spaces in the fine weather, Year 1 finding out more about aliens, Year 2 learning about London, Year 3 painting watercolours, Year 4 receiving a visitor from China, Year 5 and 6 developing their athletics skills. All classes have enjoyed being outside more as the weather has improved. Let's hope for more of the same. Also, weather permitting, we hope to re-show the brilliant Dance Umbrella performances next Friday at 2:45 on the KS2 playground so please come along to watch if you are able. We will keep you updated next week in case of poor weather.

1. **SUN CREAM, HATS AND WATER BOTTLES** ~ Please can we remind all parents to apply suncream before school (there are some very good 24hr Sun Creams available) and not bring Suncream into school (unless prescribed by a Doctor) as we have children who have allergies; also please have a hat (please name it) and a water bottle in school. Thank you.
2. **Year 6 continue to work really hard on preparing for their SATS- remember to remind them that it is important to do their best, but please not to worry about them. No Year 6 should be stressed by a test- they are too young! If parents would like further information, there are helpful guides at:**
SATS: leaflet for parents:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/694765/information_for_parents_-_2018_national_curriculum_tests_at_the_end_of_key_stages_1_and_2.pdf

Videos for parents:

<https://registration.livegroup.co.uk/sta/ContentTabs/?ctid=1345>

3. **BIG PEDAL 2018** ~. We're taking part in Sustrans Big Pedal 2018, the UK's largest inter-school cycling and scooting challenge that inspires pupils, and parents to choose two wheels for their journey to school. **challenge runs from 23rd April to 4th May.** It's a great way to get more of our pupils travelling to school on their bikes and scooters. We will be competing to become one of the UK's top schools for two-wheeled journeys and will be in with a chance to win prizes (parent and sibling journeys count too!) You and your family can also **win prizes** during Sustrans Big Pedal. Simply **post a photo of you and your child cycling or scooting to school** on social media during the challenge using #BigPedalWin (don't forget to tag @HeadSMGP in any Tweet). To be in with a chance of winning follow Sustrans on Instagram [instagram.com/sustrans](https://www.instagram.com/sustrans), Twitter twitter.com/sustrans or Facebook [facebook.com/Sustrans](https://www.facebook.com/Sustrans). Be sure to check the terms and conditions found on the Big Pedal website prior to entering the competition.
3. **BATH CITY FC INVITATION.** We were visited by Bladud the Pig, Bath City FC's mascot on Tuesday who invited all of us to Twerton Park. Our pupils have **FREE** entry to the **Home Match on Saturday 28th April** (v St Albans City) **KO at 3pm.** Accompanying adults pays only £6. Please do go along, enjoy, meet Bladud and make lots of noise!!
4. **UNIFORM** ~ We have a selection of sweatshirts from Michael Hope, in the school o try for sizing purposes before you order on-line. Thank you. www.michaelhope.co.uk
5. **DOGS ON SITE:** Please can we remind parents that dogs are not permitted on the School Site at anytime.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

- **Year 6 Camp** ~ Reminder that the balance is due by **27th April 2018.**
- **Saturday 28th April** ~ **FREE admission for all pupils** to Twerton Park for Bath City FC v St Albans City FC.
- **Tuesday 8th May** ~ School Photographer in to do class photos and Individual photos for Year 6.
- **SATS week** ~14th to 18th May 2018
- **Friday 25th May** ~ Term five ends
- **May Half-term** ~ **Monday 28th May to Friday 1st June**
- **Monday 4th June** ~ Term six begins

Wishing you all a lovely weekend from all the staff at St Martin's Garden Primary.