

Newsletter



Newsletter 18

6th June, 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We have enjoyed a great start to the second half of the Summer Term. The children have really enjoyed being able to use the field again, and next week, work is expected to start on the Sensory Garden at the top of the field. We just have one more week to go before the new field will be ready for us to use too.

There a number of events taking place over the next few weeks; I have included an updated calendar at the bottom of the newsletter. We hope you enjoy the long weekend and look forward to seeing everyone back on Monday.



PTFA

Thank you very much for supporting The Big Breakfast and Sponsored Walk. Please could we ask for any remaining sponsorship money to be returned by Friday 21st June. We are delighted that we have raised enough money to fund the Sensory Garden, and are now working toward replacing the hall stage lights. These have been in place since the 1970s, and an upgrade is urgently required to make sure we can all see the children in the Christmas plays!

Our next big event is the Summer Do! This is always a great event for everyone – come along as a group, family or on your own. There will be food, live entertainment and a licensed bar. It starts at 6.30 p.m. and goes on until late. This year, we expect to be back on the School Field – weather permitting. Tickets cost £15 for adults and £7 for children, and are available from the School Office and via the School Gateway.



Tennis Tournament

Our Year 4 Tennis team: William, Will, Amber and Phoebe played some fantastic tennis at the Stevenage Tennis Tournament this week, and came away with silver medals! Well done to the team and thank you very much to Mrs White for accompanying the children.



Football Tournament

Our Senior Football team have worked really hard throughout the season and have been very supportive and encouraging of each other. We are delighted to share the news that they have won the Stevenage Schools Football League and finished the season unbeaten. We are very grateful to Miss Doran for coaching and training the team, and for the fantastic support we have received from parents.



Assemblies

We apologise that it has been necessary for the assemblies to be moved for Year 4 and Year 6 due to other events taking place. Unfortunately, there was an error in Schoolcomms which resulted in the Year 6 message not being sent out at the same time as the one for Year 4 in May.



Health Guidance

We have been notified by Public Health that there has been a rise in cases of measles across the UK as well as in Hertfordshire, and have been given this link to share with parents.

<https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2024/01/22/what-to-do-if-you-think-your-child-has-measles-and-when-to-keep-them-off-school/>

If you are ever unsure as to whether your child is able to attend school, please do not hesitate to contact the School Office and we will be happy to provide further advice. There is also a link on the school website on the useful websites tab which answers many questions regarding ill health: [Should my child go to school/nursery today? :: Hertfordshire and West Essex Healthier Together \(hwehealthiertogether.nhs.uk\)](#)



Café church 7th July

St Giles Café Church has invited us to take part in their service on Sunday 7th July. We will be singing a couple of songs learnt in school, and there will be craft activities available, as well as refreshments. We will be meeting the children at 10.00a.m. for a 10.30 start.

If your child is able to come along to be part of the singing group, please could you [let me know](#), so that I have an idea of numbers? Thank you in advance.



Village Day – 20th July

After the disappointment with the weather forcing the cancellation of Village Day last year, we are really looking forward to this year! As well as taking part in the Parade, we will also be performing Country and Maypole dances. Please could you let us know if your child will be taking part by returning the slip at the foot of the newsletter, or by [messaging school](#) by Monday 1st July? Thank you in advance.

Please remember that I am always happy to discuss any issues with you. Thank you for reading this newsletter.

Yours sincerely,

Liz Pollard
HEADTEACHER



Summer Term 2024 - Dates

Date	Time	Event	People involved
6.6.24	10-3	Year 5/6 mixed Cricket	Selected team from Years 5 & 6
7.6.24	All Day	INSET Day – holiday for children	Staff
10.6.24	All Day	Year 1 phonics screening check week	Children & Staff
13.6.24	9-3	Athletics 4/5/6 Competition	Athletics team
14.6.24	a.m.	Year 6 visit to Poynders Meadow – joint wildlife project	Children & Staff
17.6.24 – 21.6.24	All Day	Year 6 to Isle Of Wight	Year 6 children & Staff
18.6.24	All Day	Reception to Standalone Farm	Children and staff
18.6.24	9-12	Years 2-6 Rural Schools Athletics	Athletics team
18.6.24	7.00	Governors' Meeting	Governors
20.6.24	10.30	New to Reception – Sept 2024 Meeting	Staff & Parents
24.6.24 – 28.6.24	All Day	STEM week	Children, Staff and volunteers
25.6.24	2.30 - 6	Netball Festival	Netball team
26.6.24	All Day	House of Maths visit	Children & Staff
29.6.24	6.30	PTFA Summer Do!	Everyone!
2.7.24	2-5	Year 5/6 Rounders	Selected team from Years 5 & 6
2.7.24	2.00 p.m.	New to Nursery - Sept 2024 Meeting	Children, Parents & Staff
3.7.24	2-5	Year 3/4 Rounders	Selected team from Years 3 & 4
3.7.24	2-3	Year 6 Girls to HGS Gym & Dance Display	Year 6 Girls and staff
4.7.24	9.05	Musical Performance Club Assembly	Children, Staff and Parents
5.7.24	p.m.	Visiting Theatre Company – Performing the BFG	Children & Staff
7.7.24	10.30 a.m.	Children singing at Café Church	Children volunteers & families
9.7.24	4.30 – 6.30	Codicote School Open Evening	Everyone!
11.7.24		Moving up day – Year 6 to new schools	Children & Staff
12.7.24	3.20 – 4.00	Twenty buys Plenty – Eco Team Children's clothes sale – 20p an item	Everyone
16.7.24	a.m.	Maypole and Country Dancers performing at Poynders Meadow	Children and Staff
19.7.24	9.15	Early Years Sports Day	Children, Staff & Families
20.7.24	TBC	Village Day	Everyone
22.7.24	9.30 & 1.30	Sports Day	Children, Staff & Families
23.7.24	10.00	Leavers' Service	Children, Staff & Year 6 Parents
23.7.24	1.10	Courtyard Farewell to Year 6	Everyone
23.7.24	1.45	Term Ends	Everyone

Village day Parade and Dancing

My child:

Class:

Would like to take part in the parade:

(Years 4-6) Will be taking part in Maypole/Country dancing:

Signed:

Date: