

Newsletter



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Dear Parents and Carers,

The term is continuing to go well with lots of events happening. Today, we will be having a visit from the Image Musical Theatre Company; this is being funded by school, so there is no cost to families. Our move into the new building has sadly been delayed again, but we have been given a definite moving date for next week, and we have been able to move most of the furniture out of the hall now.

The children have been enjoying the sunshine. Thank you for sending them into school in sun cream, and with hats and water bottles. I am hoping that the good weather continues; next Tuesday and Wednesday, I will be on a residential trip with Year 5. Whilst I am away, Mr Browne, Mrs Martin and Miss Grainger will be happy to help you with any queries or concerns.

I hope to see many of you at the Summer Do on Saturday – tickets are available via the school gateway, from the school office, and a limited number will be available on the night. At the end of the evening, the raffle will be drawn.



STEM Week

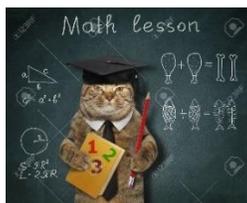
The children have thoroughly enjoyed STEM week – we have had a number of sessions led by visitors including colleagues from our secondary schools and parents who work in the world of STEM. We were very excited to link up with Rebecca Murray-Watson via Zoom, to share her experiences undertaking polar fieldwork in the Antarctic.

As well as focusing on practical experiments and activities, the children were challenged to make an animal out of a single sheet of paper – look out for these on Open Evening! We are also compiling a bar chart in the hall, showing the number of steps it takes families to get to school, and the children have been following a treasure trail around the school to locate information points with details of famous scientists and mathematicians. We are very grateful to Mrs Foster and Mrs Broad for planning and leading the week for us.



Village Day

This year, the theme of Village Day is adverts; we hope lots of children will be able to take part in our walking float. We are going to be M&Ms – we will be providing the children with large coloured spots and will also make some props for the children to carry. We will also be performing country, maypole and sword dancing – as soon as we know the timing of this, we will let you know. Next week, we will send out a letter with further details and a slip to return, so that we know how many children will be taking part.



Classes for next year

I am pleased to share further information regarding the teachers for each class, from September. The children will be able to spend time with their new teachers before the end of term, and there will be the opportunity for you to visit their new classrooms and teachers with them at the open evening on Tuesday 11th July. Where there are two classes in a year group, the children will be working with both teachers, and different groupings of children throughout the week.

Class	Teacher
Nursery	Mrs Foster
Reception	Mrs Ogle
Year 1	Mrs Wood (Mrs Ogle's current class)
Year 1	Miss Churchill (Mrs Wood's current class)
Year 2	Miss Grainger & Mrs Pyle
Year 3	Mr Pyle
Year 4	Miss Clark
Year 5	Mrs Gloyn & Mrs Mason (Miss Clark's current class)
Year 5	Miss Doran (Mrs Broad's current Class)
Year 6	Mr Browne
G & T Maths Years 4-6	Mrs Broad
PPA teachers	Mr Massey, Mrs Broad, Mrs Mason, Mrs Eaton, and Mrs Pollard
French	Mrs Gloyn, Mr Browne & Mrs Brett-Lavelle
SENCO	Mrs Gloyn

Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will stay in the existing building. Years 3 to 6 will be in the new building.



Year 4 Golf

Congratulations to the Year 4 Golf Team who represented the school at a recent tournament, winning the Honesty Award and a mascot teddy bear. We are very proud of them.



News from St. Giles

Some of you reading this Newsletter will have younger children not yet at school. You are welcome to take them to St.Giles Church for its fortnightly **Toddler Tales** gathering. The next one is on **Tuesday 27 June, 9.30-10.30am** in the Church. Toys, chat, refreshments, a short Bible story, song and prayer - no charge.

Attached to the newsletter are posters for two interesting events – firstly, an exhibition knitted of Bible stories at St Peter's Church, Tewin, and secondly, a holiday club at St. Mary's Church Welwyn.

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 Dates Reminder 2023

Date	Time	Event	People involved
23.6.23	p.m.	Image Theatre Production	Children & Staff
24.6.23	6.30pm	PTFA Summer Do!	Everyone
27.6.23	a.m.	Rural Schools Athletics	Children & Staff
27.6.23	2.30 – 6pm	Year 6 Netball Tournament	Children & Staff
27.6.23 – 28.6.23	All Day	Year 5 Residential trip to Tolmers Camp	Children & Staff
4.7.23	2-5pm	Year 5 & 6 Rounders	Children & Staff
5.7.23	3-5pm	Year 4 Rounders Tournament	Children & Staff
11.7.23	All day	Year 6 Rowing (in school hall)	Children & Staff
11.7.23	4.30 – 6pm	Open Evening	Everyone
12.7.23	a.m.	Music Club Dress Rehearsal	Children & Staff
13.7.23	All day	Moving up day	Children & Staff
14.7.23	7.00pm	Music Club Production	Everyone
15.7.23	12.45p.m.	Village Day	Everyone
18.7.23	a.m.	Maypole & Country dancing at Poynder's Meadow	Dancers & staff
20.7.23	9.30am	Sports Day: Reception – Year 2	Everyone
20.7.23	1.30pm	Sports Day: Year 3 – Year 6	Everyone
21.7.23	10.00am	Leavers' Service	Children, Staff & Year 6 parents
21.7.23	1.15p.m.	Leavers' Farewell	Everyone
21.7.23	1.45pm	Term Ends	Everyone