

# Newsletter



Newsletter 20

8<sup>th</sup> July 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I cannot believe how close we are to the end of term! It has been fantastic to be able to enjoy so many events again – Class Assemblies, the *Summer Do!* and the Sponsored Walk and we have enjoyed lots of sporting success too. We still have lots more events to pack in before the end of term, and look forward to seeing you there! I have included details below. As our term ends on a Thursday this year, the last newsletter of the school year will be published on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July.



## **Dance Festival at The Gordon Craig Theatre**

Last night, we had the pleasure of watching our amazing Year 5 and 6 Dance Club children perform at the Gordon Craig Theatre. They gave it their all, and danced with passion, energy and enthusiasm; we could not be prouder of them! Thanks go to our families for being such enthusiastic audience members, and to our staff – so many current and former staff members gave up their evening to support the children. Huge thanks go to Miss Clark, Mel and Miss Grainger as well, who have all worked really hard in leading this club; I really appreciate their commitment and talent!



## **Music Club**

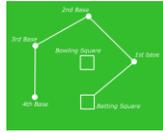
Our Music Club will perform *Peter Pan* on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July at 2pm & 7pm.

The production is free and tickets can be collected from the school office from Monday afternoon. Unfortunately, due to an evening meeting being held for the children going to Hitchin Girls School, we have had to cancel the production on Thursday evening. All parents of children involved should have received an email to explain this and we apologise for any inconvenience. The rest of the children in the school, and any parents unable to make the Friday performances, will be able to watch the dress rehearsal on Wednesday afternoon at 1.30 p.m.



## **Year 6 Leavers**

The Year 6 Leavers' Service will take place on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July, at 10.00 a.m. at St.Giles Church. Year 6 families are most welcome.



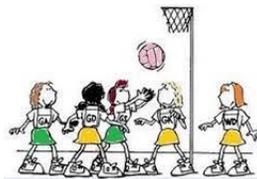
### **Rounders**

Congratulations to our amazing Rounder Team who have won silver medals in two recent Rounders' Tournament. The children had a great time and played really well. Thank you to Mrs Abrahams for coaching the team and taking them to the event.



### **Athletics**

Huge congratulations too, to the children from Years 2 to 6 who represented us at the area Athletics meet. This is a very challenging competition, made up of track and field events, with points from each year group added together. Our team finished as Gold medallists – by one point! Well done to all of the children, and to Mrs Broad and Mel, the team coaches.



### **Netball**

More congratulations go to our fantastic netball team, who have played brilliantly all season. We only have 8 girls in our Year 6 class and all of them have played throughout the season, assisted by Year 5. Last week they took part in the Netball tournament, finishing in silver position, and also coming second in the league. They have been a very harmonious team, supporting each other throughout the year. Thank you too, to Mrs Mason and Mel for coaching the team.



### **Dancing at Poynder's Meadow**

As mentioned in a previous newsletter, I will be taking the Maypole, Country and Sword dancing teams to perform at Poynders Meadow next week. We will be walking there and back, returning in time for lunch, and do not need permission slips returned for your child to be able to go.



### **Sports Day reminder – Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July**

Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Sports will start at 9.30 a.m., with Years 3-6 competing from 1.15 p.m. We usually go ahead with the event whatever the weather, as long as the track is not dangerous for the children, and there is no thunder or lightning. We would therefore recommend having sun cream, hats and raincoats to hand. Due to the challenges of moving chairs to the far side of the field, we suggest parents bring a rug or camping seats to sit on. Children can wear a t-shirt or sticker in their house colours if they wish.



### Village Day – Kids TV through the decades!

We are all looking forward to Village day. Congratulations go to Hazel and Max – our Village Day Queen and King, and Phoebe and Lyla who are their attendants.

We will meet the children taking part in the parade with us, and the king, queen and attendants at The Opening, at 12.30.

The Maypole, Country and Sword dancing children will be performing at 2.50 p.m. – I will meet the children at 2.30, by the maypole in costume. Sword dancers will need to wear jeans, or dark trousers or shorts. Costumes will be sent home with the children next week. We will not have any spares with us on the day.



### Countdown to the Summer Holidays End of term events

Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup>
Year 3 & Year 4 to Kew Gardens	11 – 12.15: Maypole, Country and Sword Dancers to Poynders Meadow.  6.30pm: Stevenage Sporting Futures Awards	1.30 p.m. Music Club Dress Rehearsal	Year 6 visiting New Schools – Moving up Morning for other Year groups.  Years 1 & 2 Beach Day	2 p.m. Music Club Matinee performance  7 p.m. Music Club Evening Performance	<i>Village Day</i> 12.30 - Parade assembles in 'The Opening'  2.30 p.m. Maypole, country and sword dancers to meet Mrs Pollard by maypole
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	
	Festival of Education and Fun – celebrating Mrs Abrahams and Mrs Mesher's time at Codicote  3.30 p.m. Afternoon Tea for Mrs Abrahams and Mrs Mesher	9.30am Nursery, Reception & KS1 Sports Day  1.15pm KS 2 Sports Day	10.00am Leavers' Service at St Giles – Year 6 parents warmly welcomed  1.15pm Farewell to Year 6 on bottom playground  <b>1.45pm</b> <b>Term ends</b>	INSET Day	.



### **Green Flag**

Huge congratulations to our Eco Team who have been awarded their 5<sup>th</sup> Green Eco Schools Flag! Led by Miss Grainger, the team have been working really hard to implement an action plan to reduce waste, increase biodiversity, look after our environment and establish new areas for learning. The Eco team assessors were particularly impressed with the Forest School area we have planted, and also to see how involved the children are in the all aspects of the work and decision making in the school. This is a great achievement!

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

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