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Dear Parent/ Carer,

It was great to share the OFSTED report with you all following the receipt of the final report on Thursday. Thank you to all of you that have either written in, spoken to the members of the team or commented on the Facebook page. Your positive messages are appreciated!

I would like to draw attention to Mrs Boba's Wellbeing Update at the end of the letter to highlight the Children's Mental Health Week Parent Coffee Morning. This is taking place between 8:50 and 10am on Tuesday 4th February in the hall with entrance being via the front office.

School Meals Catering Contract Update

A reminder that the school will need to negotiate a new contract with Caterlink or to choose a different catering provider from September 2025. Wokingham will be arranging a supplier event in early February and after this point we will need to decide to go with one of the suppliers with either our own contract or join a group of schools making the same decision. To support with our decision-making process, I have added a quick survey below, where you will be able to feedback directly to me whether or not you are happy with our existing supplier. You will also be able to feedback anything that you would like us to consider ahead of attending the supplier event in early February. The deadline for completing the form is the 31st January. As of Monday 20th January, we have received 12 responses. Thank you in advance for anyone taking the time to feedback their thoughts.

<https://forms.office.com/e/0nAV75Bdq7>

PTA Non-Uniform Day: Dress a Decade (Friday 24th January)

As part of the celebrations for our 60th anniversary year, children and staff are invited to dress in clothing that relates to the decade of their choice on Friday 24th January. For those you with little time to prepare, this is essentially a non-uniform day wearing current clothing from this decade! For the more creative, it will be a chance to visit the loft, dig out some old clothes and celebrate 60 years of Aldrynton! Please support the PTA by donating £1 on this day.

Wellbeing Update

Children's Mental Health Week - 3 -9 February 2025

Further to last week's update on this year's Children's Mental Health Week, I'm pleased to be able to share our plans with you all. Below is a breakdown of all the exciting things planned for our school community across the week:

- Mr Wieder will be starting off the week with an assembly to introduce the week to the whole school on Monday
- Throughout Monday Middle school will be taking part in an interactive Sport in Mind workshop in the hall. Sport in Mind aim to improve the lives of people experiencing mental health problems through sport and physical activity, and this workshop will be linked to Children's Mental Health Week.



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- We will be hosting our usual Children’s Mental Health Week coffee morning in the hall on Tuesday morning. This is open to all parents and will be hosted by myself and Mrs Blakely. We will also be sharing a presentation as normal. The hall will be open to parents from 8.50 - 10am and we’d love you to join us. Entry will be via the front office as normal for these events.
- On Tuesday and Wednesday FIRST Wokingham will be delivering their interactive “Engage the Rage” workshop to Upper School children over the course of the two days. This classroom-based workshop covers different emotions, how they make you feel, emotional regulation and why it is important, activities which help you feel calm and how to make a calm box.
- Across the school, classes will also be participating in activities where timings allow.

We hope you can join us for the coffee morning!

Events List

Please find the latest version of events for the year below.

Date (Time)	Event
Friday 24 th January	PTA Non-Uniform Day: Dress a Decade
Monday 27 th January	Chinese New Year Assembly
Wednesday 29 th January	Lower School Trip to Brooklands Museum
Week beginning 3 rd February	Children’s Mental Health Week
Tuesday 4 th February (8:50am-10am)	Mental Health Week Parent Coffee Morning
Friday 7 th February	NSPCC Number Day (dress as a number in return for £1 donation to NSPCC)
Week beginning 10 th February	Spelling Bee Finals
Tuesday 11 th and Wednesday 12 th February	Upper School trips to Kew Gardens
Tuesday 11 th February	Safer Internet Day
Thursday 13 th February	PTA Disco
Week beginning 17 th February	Half Term
Week beginning 24 th February	Bike-ability week
Thursday 6 th March	World Book Day (Children can come in dressed as a book character)
Week beginning 17 th March	Neuro-Diversity Celebration Week
Week beginning 17 th March	EYFS Parents’ Evenings Week
Week beginning 24 th March	Parents’ Evening Y1-6 Week
Wednesday 26 th and Thursday 27 th March	PTA Easter Egg Hunt
Friday 28 th March	Junior Music Festival
Monday 31 st March	Topic Celebrations

Wednesday 2 nd April	Foundation Stage Easter Performance
Thursday 3 rd April (2:30pm)	Lower School Eid Assembly
Thursday 3 rd April	PTA Cake Sale
Friday 4 th April	Last Day of Term Progress reports to parents
Tuesday 22 nd April	Children Return to School
Thursday 24 th April	R.E. Inspired Upper School
Week beginning 28 th April	Team newsletters out alongside knowledge organisers
Monday 5 th May	Bank Holiday
Week beginning 12 th May	Key Stage 2 SATS Week
Thursday 15 th May	R.E. Inspired Lower School
Thursday 15 th May (6-8pm)	PTA Disco
Friday 16 th May	Middle School Maypole Dancing
Weeks beginning 19 th May	Y6 at Little Canada
Week beginning 19 th May	Multiplication Championship
Friday 23 rd May	Cultural Diversity Day
Week beginning 26 th May	Half Term
Monday 2 nd June	INSET Day
Monday 2 nd to Friday 3 rd June	Y4 Times Table Check Window
Monday 9 th to Friday 13 th June	Y1 Phonics and Y2 Phonics Retakes Window
Wednesday 11 th June (4pm)	New EYFS Parent Meeting
Friday 13 th June	KS2 Sports Day
Saturday 14 th June	PTA Try-a-Tri
Monday 16 th June	Middle School trip to Marwell Zoo
Thursday 19 th June	Lower School trip to Hawk Conservancy
Thursday 19 th June	R.E. Inspired Upper School
Friday 20 th June (PM)	60 th Anniversary Prom and Picnic
Wednesday 25 th June	EYFS trip to Wooley Firs

Week beginning 30 th June	Sports Week
Monday 30 th June (AM)	Inter-House Cross Country- Middle School
Monday 30 th June (1:30pm)	Upper School Swimming Gala
Tuesday 1 st July	District Sports (To be confirmed)
Wednesday 2 nd July (1:30pm)	Middle School Swimming Gala
Wednesday 2 rd July	Upper School Cross Country
Thursday 3 rd July (2pm)	Foundation Stage and Lower School Sports Day
Friday 4 th July	PTA Non-Uniform Make the Rules Day
Monday 7 th July	Upper School Production to Foundation and Lower - dress rehearsal
Tuesday 8 th July	Transition Morning
Tuesday 8 th July (2pm)	Upper School Production to Middle School - technical performance
Wednesday 9 th July (7pm)	Upper School Production to Families
Thursday 10 th July (7pm)	Upper School Production to Families
Monday 14 th July (2pm)	Upper School Production to Foundation and Lower - dress rehearsal
Monday 14 th July (3:30pm)	Topic Celebrations
Wednesday 23 rd July (AM)	Y6 Leavers Assembly to Children
Wednesday 23 rd July (PM)	Y6 Leavers Assembly to Parents
Wednesday 23 rd July	Last Day of Term

Yours Sincerely,



Mark Wieder
Headteacher