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Dear Parent/ Carer,

There is a lot going on in the final week of term. Today is Safer Internet Day and Mr Gillard, our Computing Lead led a special assembly on internet safety to the school. Further down in the weekly update, I will also provide you with some useful links regarding internet safety. We also have spelling bee finals taking place on Wednesday and Thursday.

This week is also Children's Mental Health Week and the theme this year is My Voice Matters. Yesterday, we launched this with a special assembly and today there has been a parent coffee morning. Children in years 3-6 have recently completed a pupil survey about school and the school council looked at the results and discussed these yesterday. They will then share the results with their classes. As a leadership team, we will also review the outcomes and incorporate feedback into our own self-evaluation and development plans moving forward. A reminder that on Friday, the PTA will be running 'Express Yourself' break the rules non-uniform day providing the children with an opportunity to dress to express.

I hope that all families have an enjoyable half-term when it comes.

NSPCC Number Day

Thank you for all of you that donated online for this. In addition to this, we raised £188 at the cake sale on Friday afternoon. Well done to all involved!

We have also been able to book some workshops run by the NSPCC for children in Y2, Y5 and Y6 in June. The Speak Out, Stay Safe workshop programme is one of the initiatives that is directly funded by the NSPCC.

Playground Climbing Frames

Please could families ensure that their children do not access the playground equipment after they have been dismissed from school. Thank you in advance for your support.

Staying Safe Online

Today is Safer Internet Day and this was highlighted to the children today in assembly. Full details about the day can be found via the link below:

https://www.saferinternetday.org/

Online Safety is taught in an age appropriate way to children as part of the computing curriculum. Children are taught about the four C's:

- Content
- Contact
- Conduct
- Commerce















There are also some useful links for families that you may want to read up on. I am attaching them for your reference below:

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/

https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/

https://saferinternet.org.uk/

https://www.virginmedia.com/blog/online-safety/childrens-internet-safety-test/

Sports Update

Well done to all of the children that represented the school last week in the various events taking place.

I have also been made aware of the following events that are happening locally that may be of interest to families:

Wokingham Mini Mile

This is taking place on Sunday 25th February and there will be medals for all finishers. There will be also be awards in the following age groups: 4/5,6/7,8/9 and 10/11. Please note that the deadline for entries is the 10th February. Further details reading the event can be found via the link below:

https://wokinghamhalfmarathon.com/mini-mile/

Reading Green Park Challenge

This has proven to be a popular event for Aldryngton families in the past and last year a large number of children received a number of awards. This year, the event is taking place on the 14th April. Full details about the event this year can be accessed via the link below:

https://www.readinghalfmarathon.com/products/2024-green-park-challenge-age-11-and-over

Events Update

Events List: Spring

Date (Time)	Event
Week beginning 5 th February	Mental Health Week
Week beginning 5 th February	Spelling Bee Finals
Tuesday 6 th February	Safer Internet Day
Week beginning 12th February	Half Term
Week 19th February	Bike-ability week
Thursday 22 nd February	RE Inspired Foundation Stage
Thursday 22 nd February	PTA Disco

Tuesday 27 th February	AM/PM visits to Reading Museum (Upper School)
Wednesday 28 th February	AM visit to Reading Museum (Upper School)
Wednesday 28 th February (2:30pm)	Lower School Toy Museum
Wednesday 6 th March	Year 1 Scooter Training
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day (Children can come in dressed as a book character)
Week beginning 11 th March	Neuro-Diversity Celebration Week
Thursday 14 th March	R.E. Inspired Lower School
Week beginning 11th March	Parents evening
Tuesday 26 th March (3:30pm-4pm)	Y1-Y6 Topic Celebrations
Wednesday 27 th March	Foundation Stage Easter Performance
Thursday 28 th March	Last Day of Term
	Progress reports to parents

Events List: Summer

Date (Time)	Event
Monday 15 th April	Children Return to School
Week beginning 22 nd April	Team newsletters out alongside knowledge organisers
Monday 22 nd April	R.E. Inspired Foundation Stage
Monday 6 th May	Bank Holiday
Friday 10 th May	Middle School Maypole Dancing
Week beginning 13 th May	Key Stage 2 SATS Week
Monday 20 th May	Class Photographs
Week beginning 20 th May	Multiplication Championship
Thursday 23 rd May	R.E. Inspired Upper School
Thursday 23 rd May	PTA Disco
Friday 24 th May	Cultural Diversity Day
Week beginning 27 th May	Half Term
Monday 3 rd June	INSET Day

Week beginning 3 rd June	Y6 at Little Canada
Monday 3 rd to Friday 14 th	Y4 Times Table Check Window
Monday 10 th to Friday 14 th June	Y1 Phonics and Y2 Phonics Retakes Window
Wednesday 12 th June	New EYFS Parent Meeting
Friday 14 th June (9:45am)	Middle and Upper School Sports Day at Palmer Park
Saturday 15 th June	PTA Try a Tri
Wednesday 19 th June	FS Summer Trip
Thursday 20 th June	R.E. Inspired Upper School
Friday 28 th June	Middle School Eid Assembly
Week beginning 1st July	Sports Week
Monday 1st July (AM)	Middle School Cross Country
Monday 1st July (1:45pm)	Upper School Swimming Gala
Tuesday 2 nd July	District Sports (selected children)
Wednesday 3 rd July (9:15am)	Foundation Stage and Lower School Sports Day
Wednesday 3 rd July (11am)	Upper School Cross Country
Wednesday 3 rd July (1:45pm)	Middle School Swimming Gala
Thursday 4 th July (11am)	Middle School Cross Country
Monday 8 th July	Transition Morning (whole morning)
Monday 8 th July (2pm)	Upper School Production to Foundation and Lower School- dress rehearsal
Tuesday 9 th July (2pm)	Upper School Production to Middle School - technical performance
Wednesday 10 th July (3:30-4pm)	Y1-Y6 Topic Celebrations
Wednesday 10 th July (7pm)	Upper School Production to Families
Thursday 11 th July (7pm)	Upper School Production to Families
Friday 12 th July	PTA Happy Circus
Monday 15 th July	Reports Out to Parents
Tuesday 16 th July	Curriculum and Safeguarding Committee
Monday 22 nd July	Y6 Leavers Celebration-Pool Party

Tuesday 23 rd July (AM)	Y6 Leavers Assembly to Children
Tuesday 23 rd July (PM)	Y6 Leavers Assembly to Parents
Tuesday 23rd July	Last Day of Term

Yours Sincerely,

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