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May Newsletter

Dear Parents

The weather has been glorious at the start of our summer term! Hopefully it'll be a lovely May Bank Holiday weekend and we can get the barbeques out. Have a great time whatever you're doing.

May is a very important month for our Y6 children. The week beginning 12 May, the children will start their SATs tests. They will sit spelling, grammar and punctuation tests on the Monday, a reading test on the Tuesday and maths papers on Wednesday and Thursday. Mr Whitcombe has already been in touch with Y6 parents explaining some of our practical arrangements for SATS week, breakfast club etc. I am so proud of all our pupils for how hard they have worked and the effort they have put in over the last 4 years – but especially this year as they've approached their tests. Of course, tests are only a snapshot of the child and do not reveal the amazing strengths and special talents they have in so many other important areas of life which we as parents and teachers know about, and which we will be very keen to share with high schools as we approach July.

Enriching the cultural capital of our pupils is always a priority of ours. On Thursday 8 May, we are marking the 80th anniversary of VE Day by allowing our children to come in dressed in the colours of the Union Jack. Our Cook, Mrs Galloway, is taking orders for a very special picnic lunch that day which (weather permitting) we will all be able to enjoy sitting outside in the manner of the victory street parties. Y2 have their trip to Safety Central on 14 May; Y6 have their amazing trip to London on Friday 16 May as a celebration of their hard work. Mr Gambles is planning on taking his class to visit the River Dee in Chester for geography fieldwork on Monday 19 and Tuesday 20 May. And Y5 will be receiving a very important visit in school from the Fire Service on 22 May.

Our Year 3 class are looking forward to presenting their first Class Assembly since joining Key Stage 2 which will be held on Friday 23 May at 9:15am in the school hall. We look forward to seeing our Y3 parents and families there!

A reminder that we break up for the Whit Holiday later this month on Friday 23 May at 3:15pm (3pm for Nursery). Staff will be on INSET on Monday 2 and Tuesday 3 June and the **children return to school on Wednesday 4 June**. All our holiday dates are of course on the school website for you.

Yours sincerely,

Mr D Orme Headteacher



















