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May Newsletter

Dear Parents

The weather is improving and not before time! Hopefully we'll all have a lovely May Bank Holiday weekend and the barbeques can come out. Have a great time whatever you're doing.

May is a very important month for our Y6 children. The week beginning 13 May the children will start their SATs tests. They will sit a reading paper on the Monday, spelling, grammar and punctuation tests on the Tuesday and maths papers on Wednesday and Thursday. Mr Whitcombe will be writing to Y6 parents this week informing them 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 – during some obviously really challenging times - but especially this year as they've approached their tests. Of course, tests are only a snapshot of the child and do not reveal their amazing strengths and special talents in so many other important areas of life which we as parents and teachers know about, and which we will share with their high schools in the forthcoming transition process.

Tomorrow will be polling day when part of our school estate will be used as a polling station. This will not affect the children and their lessons, and school will be open as usual. The voting will be taking place as it has done for many years in the Sandie Lawrence Learning Centre (the mobile building) between 7am and 10pm and not in the main school building.

On Friday this week (3rd), we have the school photographer in to take the annual class photos. Can we ask that those children who usually have PE on a Friday come to school dressed smartly in their uniform with their PE kit in a bag. They can change into their kits ready for PE later in the day.

Our Year 3 class are looking forward to their first Class Assembly since joining Key Stage 2 and this will be held on Friday 24 May at 9:15 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 24 May. Staff will be on INSET on Monday 3 and Tuesday 4 June so the children return to school on Wednesday 5 June. All our holiday dates are of course on the school website for you.

Yours sincerely,

Mr D Orme
Headteacher

