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Message from Mrs Peart

We are now in the final few weeks of this academic year – it is a busy but exciting time in school! There are still lots of important things to complete before the end of the term, and much preparation to be done ready for September. Once again, the year has passed very quickly!

We have now finalised our teacher assessments for all children and these will be shared with you in your child's record of achievement which will be sent home on Friday. We have lots of lovely plans with the children over the next few weeks; ranging from special assemblies, celebration events and special events, so please make sure you send your child to school every day. We don't want them to miss a thing!

As last year, you are more than welcome to give cards and gifts to staff this year, should you want to do this. Many parents chose to make a donation to school or a charity instead last year. If you would like to make a donation to school, please get in touch with the office. Thank you!

Staffing & organisation update

We are very happy to welcome Mrs Smith back to school next week, as she returns from maternity leave. She will be back in time for transition for her new class. Sadly, this does mean that Miss Hollowood will be leaving us as she moves onto pastures new. I am sure the parents in Class 2 will agree that Miss Hollowood has done a fantastic job teaching Class 2 in Mrs Smith's absence. She has been an asset to the school for the last 12 months and we are very sad to see her leave! I hope you will join us in wishing

her all the best in her future teaching career, which we know will be fantastic! We will all miss her! We are now able to confirm the school day timings for September – **the school day will begin at 8.45am and will end at 3.15pm each day.**

Your children may have told you that we have decided to change the class names for next year, and they have voted for their favourites! We wanted to make the class names more exciting so we have decided to name them after common flowers. Please find below the names and staff in each class from September:

Roses – Mrs Razaq & Mrs Amin

Tulips – Mrs Smith & Ms David

Mrs Rodgers will be the HLT A covering in Class 1 & 2

Bluebells – Miss Wadsworth, Mr Marshall & Mrs Burrows

Poppies – Mrs Lilley, Mrs Green & Mrs Hussain

Snowdrops – Miss Griffiths & Mrs Cowan

Mrs Blackburn will be the HLT A covering in Classes 3, 4 & 5

Sunflowers – Miss Todd, Mrs Kinch & Miss Winstanley

Buttercups – Mrs Hague, Miss Hopkins & Mrs O'Brien

Daisies – Miss Hainsworth, Mrs Wasilewski & Mrs O'Brien

Mrs Khan will be the HLT A covering in Classes 6, 7 & 8

Records of Achievements

We will be sharing your child's record of achievement with you on Friday 8th July. Children will come home with them at the end of the school day. Their record of achievement has been written by their class teacher to inform you of their attainment and progress across the curriculum, as well as to share any areas where children need to improve or continue to work on. With the record of achievement, children will also receive a certificate with their end of year assessment results. Children in Year 2 will have their Year 2 results and their Phonics Screening score, children in Year 1 will have their Phonics Screening score and children in EYFS will have their Foundation Stage Profile results. We also include

some further information about the expectations for the end of the next year group, their attendance certificate, as well as a pen portrait for their new class so you know who the key members of staff are in that class. If you have any questions at all about your child's record of achievement, please speak to their class teacher. All parents are welcome to our Parent Walkabout after school on Wednesday 13th July to chat with their child's existing teacher. You can also visit their new classroom if they are staying with us in the infant school next year.

Transition

Once children know which class they will be moving to next year, we will then be able to provide them with three full days of transition to their new class. We are really pleased to be able to go back to our usual transition arrangements – we feel this gives the children a good understanding of their new classroom and staff they will be working with next year before we finish for the summer holidays. On those three days, you will drop off and collect your children as normal in their current class. If your child is moving to a new school next year, they will remain in their normal class and support the new children with their activities.

Tea towel orders

Thank you to everyone who has ordered a special jubilee tea towel. The closing date for orders is tomorrow at the end of the school day. We will distribute them in September when we return.

Uniform update

Thank you to everyone for following our uniform guidelines. In September, for PE lessons, every child will need a school hoodie and this will be provided by school again. Children will still need a t-shirt, shorts/leggings and joggers for PE (we have now moved to white t-shirts). All other uniform expectations will stay the same. If you require new uniform for your child for September, you can order this now and we will send it home before the end of term

(subject to stock levels). Please note that due to the first two weeks being very busy with our new starters, we will be unable to process orders for uniform in this time. Please order it before the end of this term if your child needs it for September.

Hearts of Gold Celebration

As usual, we are so proud of our children's behaviour and attitudes to learning. We have given out so many Bronze, Silver & Gold awards throughout the year. We are planning a very special event for our Hearts of Gold children and this will be held on the afternoon of Monday 11th July. All children who have won a Gold badge will attend the event as a thank you for their hard work.

If you are able to come with us to Clifton Park for the event, please meet us at school at 12pm and we will walk to Clifton Park together. Your child will need a costume and towel in a rucksack for the afternoon. We will then walk back to school at approx. 2.20pm so we are back in time for the end of the school day.

End of year assemblies

We are very much looking forward to our special assemblies over the next two weeks. The children are working hard to put together an event you will all remember! The times are below:

Classes 3, 4 & 5 – Tuesday 12th July @ 2.15pm

Classes 6, 7 & 8 – Monday 18th July @ 9am

Classes 1, 2 & 3 – Tuesday 19th July @ 9am

If you have not done so already, please send back your reply slip to let us know if you are able to attend the assembly as we need to know numbers to organise seating etc. Thank you.

Term Dates & INSET Days

We have now set our term dates and added our INSET days for the next academic year. These can be viewed on the app or on our website [here](#). We have worked with the Junior School to ensure the days that both schools are closed are the same to make things easier for our families.