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New Classes

Today, the children spent the day in their new classrooms with their new teachers and Teaching Assistants. This is an important part of the children's transition to their new classes. Now they have visited their new classroom and teacher, they will hopefully be looking forward to September. (As you know, the current Osprey's will meet their new teacher next week). I encourage you to talk to your child about their new class and teacher so they don't worry about the change.

Values – Appreciation

This week was our last values assembly of the term. With the stage set up for the leavers performance, Mr Morris asked the children to show their appreciation by thanking the people who they were grateful for. One child stood out with his very eloquent response;

'I appreciate my friends because they inspire me to do great things and make great choices.' – William Y3

Wiltshire library summer reading challenge

Over the Summer, from Saturday 15th July to Saturday 9th September, Wiltshire libraries are going to be running a summer reading challenge. Please go to your local library to sign up and see the information below and attached. Happy reading! 📖

Ready, Set, Read!

- Go to your library this summer to join the FREE Challenge!
- Sign up to receive your Ready, Set, Read collector folder
- Choose books to read over the holidays
- Come back and tell us about your reading
- Collect stickers and other rewards for each book you read
- There are 6 sticker sets to collect
- Add the stickers to your folder to complete the Challenge!



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**SUMMER
READING
CHALLENGE**

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Safeguarding Update - PANTS!

As part of our PSHE lessons (Personal, Social and Health Education) we teach children about their bodies at an age-appropriate level. One important part of this is children understanding private parts of their bodies. Children also need to understand that as they grow up, they may feel differently about someone touching their body such as holding hands or giving a hug.

The NSPCC provide good resources for parents. For younger children there is the Pantosaurus, which helps introduce the **PANTS** rule which is for older children.

This is based on 5 key ideas:

P – Private Parts are Private

A – Always Remember your Body Belongs to You

N – No means No

T – Talk about Secrets that Upset You

S – Speak up to get help

More information about this can be found on the NSPCC website: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-childrensafe/support-for-parents/pants-underwear-rule>

Old Uniform

With the current cost of living crisis, we understand that families may be finding the rising costs is impacting their household finances. As a school we want to do all we can to support our local community. If you have any items of school uniform that your child has outgrown, please bring them into school on the morning of Monday 24th July and place them on the tables outside of school. We will then leave these out for parents to take what they need at the end of the school day.

Summer Deals

Attached to this email are details of deals running over the summer holiday, where children eat for free or for £1. We hope that they are of use over the summer. For more details go to: [Places where Kids Eat Free in School Half Terms & Holidays 2023 \(moneysavingcentral.co.uk\)](https://moneysavingcentral.co.uk)



Congratulations!

A huge well done to all of our children in Year 6 who have received their SATS results this week. The children have worked very hard and deserve the results that they got and we are all very proud of them. We celebrated our Year 6 children's achievements this morning in assembly. Although not every child passed their SATS, there was still lots of personal achievements and superb progress made. A big thank you to Mrs Gray, Mr Rogers and the Teaching Assistants in Year 6, along with the other staff who have supported the children throughout the school. We hope you are proud of your child's results and celebrate with them this weekend.

Taking books home.

Next week, the children will bring home their school books. To help with this, please send your child/ren into school with a strong plastic bag. Year 6 will be sending their books home on Wednesday 19th July and the rest of the school will go home on Friday 21st July. We do keep a selection of books for a year to help with in house moderation and as examples of learning. If your child's books are kept, you will receive a letter notifying you of this and can collect them at the end of the next academic year or if you leave the school before this.

Leaving Zouch Academy

If you are due to move away from the area and your child will be leaving Zouch Academy, please complete our leavers form available at the school office, as soon as possible. This will enable us to collate your child's books and class work for their new school, it also informs us of the school we need to contact to forward on your child's information.

Parent Pay Balances

Please may we ask all our families to check your Parent Pay balances and pay any outstanding amounts for meals, clubs, or other items before the end of term.

If your child is leaving Zouch Academy and you have money on your account, please contact us via the school admin email address and we can refund this for you. Thank you.

September 2023 Meal Bookings

The menu is now live for September. Please book on your parent pay accounts by **Friday 21st July**. **If your child does not have a meal booked by this date, your child must have a home packed lunch for the first week back.**

Tuesday 25th July – Early Finish

**On the last day of term, the children finish at 1.10pm
There is no after school club on this day. Walk-home permission is as usual.**

Safer Sleep Information

The local council have shared information with us that we thought may be useful as we head into the summer holiday. Please follow the links below for information on safe sleeping.

- [Baby summer safety - The Lullaby Trust](#)
- [Information for other carers - The Lullaby Trust](#)
- **Safer Sleep for babies video:** <https://youtu.be/gmxW8Ve3NR>

Future dates for your diary:

Monday 17th July – Sports Day (Weather permitting)

Tuesday 18th July – Year 4 Jungle Johnathan

Wednesday 19th July – Puffins Trip to Riverbourne Farm

Thursday 20th July – Year 3 Dance Performance 9.15AM

**Thursday 20th July – Year 6 Leavers Performance 2PM
Year 6 Leavers Disco 5PM**

Friday 21st July - Year 6 Leavers Assembly 2PM

Tuesday 25th July – End of Summer Term, Finish at 13.10pm

Friday 1st and Monday 4th September – Teacher Training Days, School closed to children

Tuesday 5th September – School Open for Children