



Newsletter Summer 1 2023

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome back to Summer term. I hope everyone has enjoyed a safe and happy Easter break and lots of chocolate! Thank you to all who have submitted/handed in their home challenge, 'safer parking' poster – the top three of these will be made into banners to hang on the railings in front of the yellow lines - watch this space!

The summer term is always extremely busy, please familiarise yourself with some reminders below and also some important dates for the term in the attached calendar.

Over the holidays we held a very successful Easter holiday club delivered by LASP (photos on Class Dojo/school Facebook page). We are hoping to run this again for a few weeks during the summer break and will be sending some information out soon to get an idea of interested numbers.

Punctuality

Alongside attendance, we closely monitor punctuality in school. Last half term saw an increase of some children consistently arriving late to school.

As a reminder, school starts at 8:45am every morning. From 8.50am children are marked as late on their register. It is important that children arrive in school on time as it supports them to learn good timekeeping and also reduces classroom disruption for the other children and themselves. **A child who is late by 5 minutes each day loses 3 days of education across a full school year.**

Important SATs/ Screening Check Dates

Year 2 will be completing their SATs in small groups throughout the month of May. These are marked by our school staff and are used to help inform the teacher's end of Key Stage One assessment.

Year 6 SATs take place from **Tuesday 9th - Friday 12th May**. These are externally marked and school will receive their results in early July. Results will be shared with parents within the children's annual reports.

Year 1 will be taking their Phonics screening check **WB 12th June**.

Year 4 will be taking their Multiplication check **WB 5th June - Friday 16th June**.

School assessment week **WB 19th June 2023 - REC/Year 1/Year 3/Year 4/Year 5**

Attendance and punctuality is vital on these dates.

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Parking - Local Residents and Yellow Lines

Please continue to be mindful of our local residents when parking outside school and **remember the yellow lines should not be parked on at any times**. Despite numerous communications and reminders from school, it is disappointing that these issues are still ongoing.

We need to rely on parents/carers to help keep all our children safe outside of our school.

Long Hair

For health and safety reasons, we request all long hair be tied back when the children are in school. Thank you for your support with this.



Coronation Celebration/Summer Fayre

On Friday 5th May from 1.30pm -3.30pm we will be having a joint Coronation celebration/ summer fayre. Weather permitting, parents are invited to bring a picnic and blanket for a picnic on our school field. Children are invited to attend school in non-uniform that day with an optional red, white, blue or coronation theme. There will be our usual summer fayre attractions, stalls and refreshments available. Please look out for our fayre poster soon.

As always, we will be looking for any donations towards our cake stall on the day.



E-Safety Parent Workshop

On Monday 5th June we will be hosting an Online Safety workshop for parents from 1.30pm - 3pm in the school hall. This will be delivered by Gem Education.

Course content includes:

- Raising awareness of online risks under 4 main themes: Commerce, Content, Conduct and Contact.
- Examples include: websites, social networking, mobile phones gaming, cyberbullying.
- Parental controls.
- Further advice.
- How to report.

Parents will be able to sign up nearer the date via ParentPay.

Water bottles/Hats/Sun lotion



Hopefully the weather will start to get warmer soon. Please remember that children should have a water bottle in school each day and as per school policy, this should contain **plain water only**.

On the hotter days, we recommend children bring a sun hat as we will be outside a lot and children should arrive to school wearing sun lotion. Children can bring a named bottle of sun lotion to keep in their drawer or school bag but they must be able to reapply this themselves.

Places
available

We currently have places in all year groups if you know of any families who were not given their chosen school or any families new to the area looking for school places.

School Calendar for Summer Term 2023

Monday 17 th April 2023	Training day – school closed to children
Wednesday 19 th April 2023 – Friday 21 st April 2023	Year 3 and 4 Residential visit to Ford Castle
Thursday 20 th April 2023	BE YOU Well-Being assembly
Friday 21 st April 2023	Reception/ Year 6 - Height and weights. House winners non-uniform – Fire House
Tuesday 25 th April 2023	NSPCC - Speak out, stay safe assembly LKS2 Boys football at Mowbray 3.45pm-4.30pm
Thursday 27 th April 2023	Industrial Action Playgroup/ Year 3 and Year 5
Friday 28 th April 2023	Year 5 and 6 Forest School
Monday 1 st May 2023	Bank Holiday – school closed
Tuesday 2 nd May 2023	Industrial Action Playgroup/ Year 3 and Year 5 Year 4 Visit to Woodhorn Museum Year 2 SATs begin
Friday 5 th May 2023	Coronation celebration/Summer fayre
Friday 5 th May 2023	Year 3 and 4 Forest School
Monday 8 th May 2023	Bank Holiday – school closed
Tuesday 9 th May 2023	Year 6 SATs
Wednesday 10 th May 2023	Year 6 SATs
Thursday 11 th May 2023	Year 6 SATs
Friday 12 th May 2023	Year 6 SATs
Friday 12 th May 2023	Year 1 and 2 Forest School
Monday 15 th May 2023	Road safety assembly
Tuesday 16 th May 2023	LKS2 Girls football 3.45pm-4.30pm Ringway
Friday 19 th May 2023	Reception Forest School
Wednesday 24 th May 2023	Reception trip to the Hancock Museum
Friday 26 th May 2023	Training day – school closed to children
	Half term
Monday 5 th June 2023	Children return
Monday 5 th June 2023	Online Safety Parent Workshop in school 1.30pm
WB 5 th June 2023-Friday 16 th June 2023	Year 4 Multiplication Check
Friday 9 th June 2023	House winners non-uniform
WB 12 th June 2023	Year 1 Phonics screening check.
WB 19 th June 2023	Assessment Week – Rec/Year 1/Year 3/Year 4/ Year 5.
26-28 th June 2023	Year 6 Residential visit to Ford Castle
Tuesday 4 th July	Transition Morning
Wed 12 th July 2023	Sports day: Nursery/Reception and KS1 AM KS2 PM Sponsor week
Thurs 13 th July 2023	Reports go out to parents
Fri 14 th July 2023	Year 6 leaver's party 5.30pm-7.30pm (Formal Invitation to follow).
Monday 17 th July 2023	Year 6 leavers assembly 2pm
Tuesday 18 th July 2023	Nursery Graduation 9.30am (for those moving into Reception in September)
Wed 19 th July 2023	House winner's celebration
Friday 21 st July 2023	School finishes 1.30pm

TERM DATES 2022/2023

HOLIDAY OR OCCASION OF CLOSURE	DATE ON WHICH SCHOOL WILL CLOSE	DATE ON WHICH SCHOOL WILL REASSEMBLE
TEACHER TRAINING DAY	MONDAY 5 SEPTEMBER 2022	
Summer 2022	Thursday 21 July 2022	Tuesday 6 September 2022
October Mid Term 2022	Friday 21 October 2022	Monday 31 October 2022
TEACHER TRAINING DAY	Monday 9 JANUARY 2023	
Christmas/New Year 22/23	Friday 23 December 2022	Tuesday 10 January 2023
TEACHER TRAINING DAY	FRIDAY 24 FEBRUARY 2023	
Spring Mid Term 2023	Friday 17 February 2023	Monday 27 February 2023
	Monday 17 APRIL 2023	
Easter 2023	Friday 31 March 2023	Tuesday 18 April 2023
MAY DAY	MONDAY 1 MAY 2023	
TEACHER TRAINING DAY	FRIDAY 26 MAY 2023	
Summer Mid Term 2023	Thursday 25 May 2023	Monday 5 June 2023
Summer 2023	Friday 21 July 2023	Monday 4 September 2023

TERM DATES 2023/2024

Term and Holiday dates for 2023 - 2024

SEPTEMBER 2023 (20 days)	OCTOBER 2023 (20 days)	NOVEMBER 2023 (19 days)
Mon 4 11 18 25	Mon 2 9 16 23 30	Mon 6 13 20 27
Tues 5 12 19 26	Tues 3 10 17 24 31	Tues 7 14 21 28
Wed 6 13 20 27	Wed 4 11 18 25	Wed 1 8 15 22 29
Thur 7 14 21 28	Thur 5 12 19 26	Thur 2 9 16 23 30
Fri 8 15 22 29	Fri 6 13 20 27	Fri 3 10 17 24
Sat 2 9 16 23 30	Sat 7 14 21 28	Sat 4 11 18 25
Sun 3 10 17 24	Sun 1 8 15 22 29	Sun 5 12 19 26
DECEMBER 2023 (16 days)	JANUARY 2024 (18 days)	FEBRUARY 2024 (16 days)
Mon 4 11 18 25	Mon 8 15 22 29	Mon 5 12 19 26
Tues 5 12 19 26	Tues 2 9 16 23 30	Tues 6 13 20 27
Wed 6 13 20 27	Wed 3 10 17 24 31	Wed 7 14 21 28
Thur 7 14 21 28	Thur 4 11 18 25	Thur 1 8 15 22 29
Fri 1 8 15 22 29	Fri 5 12 19 26	Fri 2 9 16 23 30
Sat 2 9 16 23 30	Sat 6 13 20 27	Sat 3 10 17 24
Sun 3 10 17 24 31	Sun 7 14 21 28	Sun 4 11 18 25
MARCH 2024 (20 days)	APRIL 2024 (12 days)	MAY 2024 (17 days)
Mon 4 11 18 25	Mon 8 15 22 29	Mon 13 20 27
Tues 5 12 19 26	Tues 2 9 16 23 30	Tues 7 14 21 28
Wed 6 13 20 27	Wed 3 10 17 24 31	Wed 1 8 15 22 29
Thur 7 14 21 28	Thur 4 11 18 25	Thur 2 9 16 23 30
Fri 1 8 15 22 29	Fri 5 12 19 26	Fri 3 10 17 24 31
Sat 2 9 16 23 30	Sat 6 13 20 27	Sat 4 11 18 25
Sun 3 10 17 24 31	Sun 7 14 21 28	Sun 5 12 19 26
JUNE 2024 (20 days)	JULY 2024 (15 days)	AUGUST 2024
Mon 3 10 17 24	Mon 1 8 15 22 29	Mon 5 12 19 26
Tues 4 11 18 25	Tues 2 9 16 23 30	Tues 6 13 20 27
Wed 5 12 19 26	Wed 3 10 17 24 31	Wed 7 14 21 28
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Autumn Term Spring Term Summer Term Bank Holiday School Holiday

SCHOOLS TO IDENTIFY 3 CLOSURES WITHIN TERM TIME AND 2 ADDITIONAL STAFF TRAINING DAYS FROM A HOLIDAY PERIOD OR AS TWILIGHT SESSIONS.

Tips for Encouraging Open Discussions about DIGITAL LIVES

The online world is an entirely familiar and commonplace part of life for today's children and young people, far more so than for previous generations. There are many positives to children being able to access online materials, so it's important not to demonise the internet, games and apps, and any the benefits of their positive aspects. At the same time, we do have a responsibility to educate children about the risks that they may encounter online. (Just as we would about road safety) and it's essential that we don't shy away from talking to them about the complex and often sensitive subject of what they do and what they see when they're online.

Here are some suggestions for kicking off conversations with your child about their digital life...

- MAKE YOUR INTEREST CLEAR**
Showing enthusiasm when you introduce the world of digital to your child that you are keen to learn about the positives of that online world. Most children enjoy exploring, so you will likely find yourself asking questions about their interests and what games and apps they're into and how they use them. Asking to see their favourite games and apps in certain cases could help you find any aspects that may need attention. Be clear on what you're looking for. Which might include as a starting point, to talk to them with interest. Keep listening even if your child pushes for a long time. There could be something new to you, or something specific, or they may be getting a real reaction.
- BE OPEN AND HONEST, APPROPRIATE TO YOUR AGE**
As someone whose children are young people become curious about puberty and how their body changes, they're likely to be curious about their digital life. Be open and honest about what you know and what you don't know. If your child asks you a question, be honest and answer it. If you're not sure, say so. If you're not sure, say so. If you're not sure, say so. If you're not sure, say so.
- REMINDE YOUR CHILD THEY CAN ALWAYS TALK TO YOU**
In my 100+ hours with many children and young people who could be struggling to find the right online space, it's clear that they're often looking for support. It's not always easy to find that support. You're always there to listen and help. You're always there to listen and help. You're always there to listen and help. You're always there to listen and help.
- KEEP TALKING!**
The most valuable advice we can give is to keep talking with your child about their digital life. You could try using everyday situations to ask questions about their online experiences.
- DISCUSS THAT NOT EVERYTHING WE SEE ONLINE IS REAL**
Help your child give examples from your own digital life of the online world versus real life. These examples could be anything from a video of a pet to a video of a pet. Discuss to your child that there are many things that are not real. Discuss to your child that there are many things that are not real. Discuss to your child that there are many things that are not real.
- TRY TO REMAIN CALM**
As much as possible, try to stay calm when your child tells you about an online experience that makes you feel angry or upset. Our children's lives are often influenced by the way we react to them. If you're a parent or a parent, it's important to stay calm. If you're a parent or a parent, it's important to stay calm.
- CREATE A FAMILY AGREEMENT**
Working with your child to create a family agreement about their digital life. This could include things like: (and for how long) It's OK to use phones, tablets, computers and so on, but what parental controls are for and why they're important. Discuss with your child to make other digital things an agreed part of their digital life. Discuss with your child to make other digital things an agreed part of their digital life.

Meet Our Expert
National Online Safety
#WakeUpWednesday

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E-Safety Guides

We have created a page on our school website to a link to lots of guides for Parents/Carers. Please let school know if there are any platforms your children are using that you would like some advice /guidance on and we can try and source this for you and add to the page.

[Fact Sheets and Guidance Link](#)

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