

# June Newsletter

### MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD

With only three week to go before the end of term there seems to be so much to do! In case we have some more summer weather could I please ask that you make sure your child has a sun hat, water and sun cream.

#### **GOODBYE**

Today we have said goodbye to Louise Youngman, our teaching assistant in year 2. Louise has worked here for 18 years. We wish her happiness in her retirement.

#### **ABSENCE**

As I expect many of you will know, the government is very keen that schools monitor attendance at school very closely. Our attendance and punctuality figures could be improved upon. If your child is away from school for any reason it is absolutely essential that you let us know (thank you to those who do). If we haven't heard from you (by phone on 01263 513296 or note) by 10.00, it is likely that you will get a telephone call either from the school office or from the Education Welfare Service. A fixed penalty of £60 for each parent for each child will be issued should there are unauthorised absences, so please remember

- Children should attend school to the last day of term and return on the first day of a new term
- Any absences before or after a holiday or school day closure will be recorded as unauthorised
- Time off for travelling cannot be authorised!
- Time off to extend a holiday cannot be authorised!
- Time off to visit relatives as part of a long holiday cannot be authorised!

We have already begun to accumulate a collection of hats, shoes and jumpers, some of which were obviously new earlier on this term. We do try to reunite various items with their owners but as most of the items are not named this makes the task very difficult. Please make sure that ALL your children's clothes, lunchboxes, bottles etc are named clearly. Current lost property will be put out before the term finishes and any lost property remaining will be given to FOSPINS for their second-hand uniform sales.

#### SNAPCHAT WARNING

It has been brought to our attention that a new feature on the messaging app 'Snapchat' might be leaving children at risk from strangers. The new feature posts a child's exact location whenever a photo is posted meaning a stranger would know a child's exact location (even pin-pointing a specific house or which part of the park they are in). We would advise that parents don't let under 12's use Snapchat but we are aware that older children do use it so want to make parents aware of how to protect your children. The location feature can be disabled and has to be first enabled by the user (it doesn't come on automatically). However, many children are likely to have enabled this feature to find out what it does. The feature can be set to 'Ghost mode' which means only the child can see their location or they can set it so that only specific friends can see where they are; which could be useful if you as a parent use the app as you can see where your child is when they are out with their friends! We would advise that, if you think that your child might use this app, that you discuss this issue with them.

#### **NURSERY NEWS**



If you need child care during the summer holidays for anything ranging from work commitments to special occasions then please see Kerry in the Nursery office or ring 01263 513296

#### YEAR 2 SAT'S

Well done to all the Year 2 children who worked exceptionally hard during the last half term.

### YEAR 2 LEAVER'S ASSEMBLY

We will be having year 2 leaver's assemblies again this year. We will be inviting parents and carers of year 2 children only and admittance will be strictly by ticket. The children are starting to prepare for this and it seems as though there are going to be lots of surprises including acting and singing with a traditional tear jerker. PS Don't forget to bring the tissues!

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

3rd July Healthy living week

3<sup>rd</sup> July Year 2 Dance Off competition

4th July Year 1 walk to Church

5th July Nursery to Wroxham Barns

6th July Meet Teacher

7th July Meet Teacher

10th July Water Safety Assembly

12th July Nursery to Wroxham Barns

13th July Sports day

14th July Sports day - running events

19<sup>th</sup> July Leaver's assembly (2pm)

20<sup>th</sup> July Leaver's assembly (10 am)

20<sup>th</sup> July School Fair (3:30 - 5:30)

21st July Leaver's celebration - Nursery

21st July Leaver's Disco (6pm-8pm)

4th - 5th September INSET days

6th September School Opens

#### CLASSES FOR SEPTEMBER

Yellow Class - Mrs Phillips Violet Class - Mrs Borthwick/Miss Coope Indigo Class - Mrs Miles Red Class - Mr Neenan Green Class - Mrs Rider Silver Class - Miss Cornwell Gold Class - Mrs Stewart/Mrs Marsden Rainbow Class - Mrs Cooper/Mrs Hele

#### **SCHOOL REPORTS**

At the end of every school year children receive a report detailing their successes during the year. The report may also contain any aspects of learning their class teacher thinks they need to develop further. The reports will be sent home on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June with your child. We hope you will enjoy reading them! Included with your child's report will be a questionnaire. I wondered if you could complete these as we would like to celebrate what we do well and respond to the things that we don't do so well.

## NUT FREE SCHOOL



Please remember that we are a nut-free school as some of our children have serious allergies. Please check all food that comes in to school to ensure that it is nut-free. Many thanks.

## TERM DATES

## Autumn Term

6<sup>th</sup> September - 19<sup>th</sup> December Half Term 20<sup>th</sup> October - 27<sup>th</sup> October

## Spring Term

4<sup>th</sup> January - 28<sup>th</sup> March Half Term 12<sup>th</sup> February - 16<sup>th</sup> February

Summer Term

16<sup>th</sup> April - 24<sup>th</sup> July Half Term 28<sup>th</sup> May - 1<sup>st</sup> June

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