

Airwaves 12 May 2017

No. 29

Dear Parents and Carers

We have been very proud of our Year 6 children this week. They have remained cheerful and hardworking throughout SATs week and approached the tests calmly and conscientiously. I am sure they will have done their best and can now enjoy the remainder of the term with the tests behind them.

Walk to School week - 15th to 19th May

Next week is Walk to School week so we hope all families will try to walk to and from school if at all possible. See the attached 'persuasive letter' from one of our Year 5 children! Scooting and cycling count too (although please make sure you all push your vehicles in the school grounds). We are very pleased that the Wheatsheaf pub in Duxford have kindly agreed to let parents use their car park during that week so that families who have to drive in can leave their cars there and walk the short trip up the footpaths to school. When we have had walking weeks in the past, some adventurous families have even walked in across the fields from Ickleton!

Growth Mindset workshop for parents/carers - cancelled

This workshop has been cancelled as there was not enough interest expressed.

Census Day - Thursday 18th May

Next Thursday is census day for schools. This is when the Government collects data from all the schools in the area. One of the pieces of information they will be collecting this time is the take-up of school meals in Reception and KS1 and some of our school funding is based on this information.

With this in mind we are asking that every child in Reception and KS1 requests a hot school dinner on Thursday 18^{th} May to try but can also bring a packed lunch if they normally do. It really makes a difference and means we won't have to pay back any of our allocated funds.

Air Days, Saturday 27 and Sunday 28 May and message from FoDS

The FoDs are putting together a rota of helpers for the next Air Days, which are coming up very soon. Please do offer to help if you can, whether with teas, the car park or the BBQ. Lots of cakes needed too! Please either speak to Victoria Roper or Zoe Burns or contact the office and we will pass your offer on. Air Days raise lots and lots of money for the children and we really need everyone's help to make the most of them.

Please check the attached FoDs newsletter for a fundraising review and reminder of upcoming events.

Key Stage 1 entrance

As we mentioned in a recent Airwaves, this door has to be shut at 8.55 am for the safety of the children who have come into school. We are finding that parents are asking to leave by that door after that time. By this stage in the school year, there should not be any need for parents to come into school with their child - we all need to encourage the children to be independent. If you do find yourself still in school once the Key Stage 1 entrance door is shut, please leave via the main school entrance.

Class assemblies

Next Thursday is the turn of 3DO to show you what they have been learning. We hope many of you will be able to join us at 9.00 for the assembly, a look around the classroom and a cup of tea.

Yours sincerely

Debbie Gould Headteacher

Lunches for week beginning 15 May 2017

	Red Option	Green Option (usually Vegetarian)	Blue Option (Light bite)
Monday	Pork grill in bun	Quorn grill in bun	Jacket potato with beans
Tuesday	Beef bolognaise	Cauliflower & broccoli bake	Tuna & cucumber roll
Wednesday	BBQ chicken with rice	Bean & vegetable bake	Ham salad baguette
Thursday	Roast turkey	Quorn fillet	Cheese salad wrap
Friday	Fish fingers & chips	Pasta neopolitan	Jacket potato with cheese

School meal survey - a message from Cambridgeshire Catering Service
In light of the Childhood Obesity Strategy published last summer, Cambridgeshire
Catering Service would like to support schools and encourage pupils to make
informed choices about the foods they eat every day. Eating habits are formed in
childhood, and as adults, these long-held habits can be very hard to break.
Therefore, to start children on the right track and to reflect Public Health
England Healthy Eating Guidelines, we would like your views on healthy food
options and the continued provision of sweet puddings every day.
If you would like to help shape future school meal provision, please complete the
questionnaire by following the link https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/HQW5J5C.

Thank you.

Patricia Herbert Lesley McFarlane CCS Registered Dietitian CCS Nutritionist

Swimming groups change - Years 5 and 6, Friday 26 May & Friday 30 June Please note there is a change to the swimming timetable. As Year 6 children will be visiting St John's College in Cambridge on Friday 26 May, Year 5 will now swim on that day instead of Year 6. Year 6 will have a double session of swimming on Friday 30 June and Year 5 will not swim that day.

Gym club change - Tuesday 13 June

Gym club sessions will each start half an hour earlier on Tuesday 13 June, so 1^{st} session will be 2.50-3.30 pm, 2^{nd} session 3.30-4.30 pm and 3^{rd} session 4.30-5.30 pm. If your child attends gym please note this for your diaries.

Hinxton Fete, Saturday 10th June, 2.00 pm Recreation Ground and Village Hall. Lots of stalls including the Hinxton Homemade stall with fantastic cakes, pastries and preserves, a Pimms Tent, delicious teas, coconut shy, hot dogs, plants, books, bric-a-brac, raffle and much more. We will also be entertained by the Saffron Walden Wind Ensemble!

Diary Dates

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Tuesday 16 and Wednesday 17 May	Year 5 to Eaton Vale	
Thursday 18 May, 9.05 am	3DO class assembly	
Friday 19 May	Swimming - 3BM, 3DO, 6	
Monday 22 to Wednesday 24 May	Year 6 to Manor Adventure	
Thursday 25 May, 9.05 am	Year 5 class assembly	
Friday 26 May	Swimming – 3BM, 3DO, 5. NB change	
Saturday 27 & Sunday 28 May	Air Days	
Monday 29 May to Friday 2 June	Half-term	
Monday 5 June	Professional day - school closed to pupils	
Thursday 8 June, 9.05 am	Year 4 class assembly	
Friday 9 June	Swimming - 4,5,6	
Tuesday 13 June, 6.00 pm	Evening for parents of children starting	
	school in September 2017	
Thursday 15 June, 9.05 am	Buttercups class assembly	
Friday 16 June	Swimming - 4, 5, 6	
Thursday 22 June, 9.05 am	Bluebells class assembly	
Friday 23 June	Swimming - 4, 5, 6	

Friday 23 June	Summer Fete, 3.30-6.00 pm	
Friday 30 June	Swimming - 4, 6 NB Change	
Wednesday 5 July	Induction day at SVC (year 6)	
Thursday 6 July, 9.05 am	Sunflowers class assembly	
Saturday 8 and Sunday 9 July	Air Days	
Friday 14 July	Sports Day (reserve date Monday 17 th)	
Tuesday 18 July	Years 4 and 5 to London Stadium	
Wednesday 19** July, 2.00 pm	Year 6 production	
Wednesday 19** July, 4.00 pm	Year 6 BBQ	
Friday 21 July	Summer term ends. Leavers' assembly	
	2.00 pm	
Monday 4 September	Professional day - school closed to pupils	
Tuesday 5 September	Autumn term starts	
Monday 23 to Friday 27 October	Half-term	
Tuesday 19 December	Autumn term closes	

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^{**}NB change of date from original Dates for your Diary