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Next half term our school value is Celebrating Success

Dear Parents & Carers,

This week really has been very hot, and I think that next week is due to be hotter. The Friends of Ashtree have been thinking about ways to keep the children cool in the disco later today. They will be planned calmer breaks in the dancing and there will be plenty of water will be available. It also helps for the children to wear looser lightweight clothing and there will be PTA and staff available to keep an eye on the children.

Please do remember hats, water and suntan cream next week, we have received government guidance which mentions spending less time outside and we will therefore be looking at reducing the amount of time out for lunch and break on the hottest days. At the moment there is no suggestion that schools will close and unless this changes we will remain open.

On Monday Y4 welcomed a visitor, Mrs Steadman a Science teacher from Thomas Alleyne's School. They spent the day investigating and exploring as scientists. When I visited them they were enjoying testing liquids to see if they were acid and alkaline. There are some pictures on Facebook and twitter if you want to see what they got up to.

Tuesday brought us sports day where the change to the morning gave us a breeze and almost perfect conditions. There was a lovely atmosphere and I know that the children really enjoyed the morning. Well done to everyone that took part and to Green Oak who scored the most points overall.



On Wednesday Nursery held their sports day, running races, throwing beanbags and jumping through hoops. The Nursery staff would like to thank the Y6 helpers for setting things up and encouraging the children.

We also had the biggest delivery of books I think I've ever seen! Ms Ruprai has ordered books using the sponsorship money from my bungee jump. We are very excited to be able to share the books with the children next term and that one of the authors now follows us on Twitter!



I had the pleasure this week of attending the Year 6 leavers' assembly, it really doesn't seem possible that this year group are leaving us for the next step of their school adventure. It is lovely to see how they grown and matured in the time that they have been with us and I am looking forward to hearing all about their future successes in secondary school. I hope that those of you that could make the assembly enjoyed it as much as I did.

Stay sun safe this weekend and enjoy the weather.

Mrs M. Janes



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Transition Day

On Thursday the children visited their new class for a stay and play session. They look around the setting, played games with their friends and said hello to their new teachers.

Summer Holiday Food Vouchers

Herts County Council are once again providing supermarket vouchers for eligible pupils. These should arrive in your inbox this weekend (12-13 July). Please check your inbox and junk mail to see if you have received yours. If you have not, please e-mail the office and we will look into it for you. If your child is in Nursery, they are eligible for to receive the Household Support Fund. This is separate from the supermarket voucher scheme. You will be contacted directly from Herts County Council regarding this. It is not something that the school manages.

Eat for £1 at Asda Cafes

Children can eat for just £1 at Asda Cafés across England and Wales this Summer – with no minimum adult spend:

<https://corporate.asda.com/newsroom/2022/07/05/children-can-eat-for-just-1-at-asda-cafes-across-england-and-wales-this-summer-with-no-minimum-adult-spend>

Asda has announced its next move in bids to help feed children this summer, meaning kids across England and Wales can eat for just £1 at any time of day in Asda Cafés, seven days a week, with no minimum adult spend required.

Are You Interested in Joining the Governing Body?

There is a vacancy on the Governing Body for a parent to join us.

Governors have to oversee the work of the school, with special emphasis on financial matters and Pupil Progress and Well-being. We check on lots of things, including Safeguarding and Curriculum. We are involved in interviewing applicants for job vacancies at the school. We monitor Health and Safety issues. Sometimes we deal with complaints.

Perhaps most important of all, we set the vision and aims for the school in conjunction with other stakeholders. If you think you'd like to be involved in any of those areas, please let the school office know and leave me contact details. I will get in touch and give you more details.

Bill Spicer - Chair of Governors

We have 2 filing cabinets looking for a good home. If you are interested, please call the school office before Wednesday next week. They do not lock. Also a computer desk/table



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Monday 18 July	Tuesday 19 July	Wednesday 20 July	Thursday 21 July	Friday 22 July
Menu 1				Last Day of Term 2.15pm Finish

Term Dates Academic Year 2022 / 2023



Summer Term 2022



Friday 22 July

- Last day of term – finish at 2.15pm



2022/2023



Thursday 1 September 2022

- **INSET Day 1** - school closed to children

Friday 2 September 2022

- **INSET Day 2** - school closed to children

Monday 5 September 2022

- First day of term for pupils

24 October 2022 - 28 October 2022

- Half term holiday

Friday 25 November 2022

- **INSET Day 3** - school closed to children

Monday 28 November 2022

- Occasional Day - school closed to children

21 December 2022

- Last day of term

22 December 2022 - 4 January 2023

- Christmas holiday

Thursday 5 January 2023

- First day of term for pupils

13 February 2023 - 17 February 2023

- Half term holiday

Monday 20 February 2023

- **INSET Day 4** - school closed to children

3 April 2023 - 14 April 2023

- Easter holiday

Friday 26 May 2023

- **INSET Day 5** - school closed to children

29 May 2023 – 2 June 2023

- Half term holiday

Friday 21 July 2023

- Last day of term

24 July 2023 - 31 August 2023

- Summer holiday