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Our Guiding Light

Jesus said

"I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my Disciples, if you have love for one another. (John 13-34-35)

KEY INFORMATION FOR THE WEEK

Thank you for sending your child in looking so smart on Monday when the photographer was here. Class photographs were taken and proofs should be with us shortly giving you the chance to order a copy before the end of term if you wish. More information about this will be circulated in due course.

Road Safety:

This week, Imogen Leonard, the borough's road safety officer has been in school delivering workshops to children in Year 3, Year 4 and Year 6. She delivered really interesting and informative sessions; do ask your child about the lessons they learnt.

Arthur Burgin Science Exhibition:

It was lovely to see so many of our Year 6 parents at the Arthur Burgin Science Exhibition on Wednesday afternoon. We were proud of all the children who had come up with really interesting science projects and had worked so hard to gather results and draw conclusions. They were very excited to share their findings with Year 5 who visited the exhibition and also with you. Now the judging is complete, the Arthur Burgin shield will be presented to the most promising scientist at the end of term.

Sporting Success:

On Tuesday evening a number of our netballers went along to Braywick Leisure Centre with their coach, Mr Lucas, first to train then to play the Magnet Netball Team in a number of matches. Against a very tough team they managed one win and can feel proud of how they performed.

Yesterday a selected number of Year 3 children travelled to Courthouse Junior School for a Footgolf Festival. They joined several other schools, learnt about the sport and participated in a number of activities. It was a fabulous morning for all who took part.

In the afternoon, thirty children from Year 5 and Year 6 went a little further afield, to Bracknell Leisure Centre to take part in the Browntree Foundation Mini-Triathlon. This involved swimming, cycling and running. Our children excelled!

Year 6 Residential Trip to CRS Adventures, Devon:

Thank you for meeting the deadline for handing in medical forms and medication for your child this week. As you refer to the kit list when packing with them this weekend, please note that mobile phones, cameras and other electrical devices are not permitted. You might, however, like to pack in your child's rucksack a light snack for the journey there and please remember to administer any travel sickness tablets before you arrive in school just before 7:30am. Please DO NOT pack sweets or chocolate. We will aim to leave as close to 7:30am as possible to ensure we get to camp in time to enjoy an afternoon of activities. The documents sent out to you this week and last contain all the information you should need about the trip.

While away, I will be in regular contact with the office staff who will send emails out to you informing you of how the week is going. They will also keep you posted on the expected time of arrival back at school next Friday.

Sports Week:

Next week when Moorhens are away in Devon, Sports Week begins for everyone else and then continues when Year 6 get back. The children can look forward to a number of sporting events which will take place over the fortnight. As you will have seen from the email sent earlier in the week, because of industrial action, we have chosen to move Sports Day to Thursday 13th July, a date we hope you can make. It will follow the same format as before; you will be invited to join us on the field after dropping your child off at school on 13th. Field events will take place from 9:30am immediately followed by track events. Once prizes have been awarded around 1pm, you are invited to stay and picnic before taking your child home. If you are unable to attend, your child will be supervised until you arrive to collect him/her at 3:15pm.

Next week also starts a week of transition. Please refer to last week's newsletter for details. **Your child should come to school every day next week wearing smart school P.E. kit. All the children should arrive through the back gate in the**

morning and you too should come to the back gate to pick up your child at the end of the day. You will find them in their new classroom where staff will hand them over to you.

Industrial Action:

Please refer to the email which was sent yesterday about the partial closure of school on Wednesday 5th and Friday 7th July.

Extra-Curricular Clubs:

As we approach the end of term, please look out for emails from club providers about variations to the timetable. Despite industrial action on 7th July, some clubs (iPro and Sewing Club) will be meeting as normal.

Junior Music Festival – Year 3:

Please refer to the letter sent out by Ms O'Reilly this week containing all the details about Tuesday's Junior Music Festival at The Hexagon. Year 3 are sure to shine!

PTA Events:

Thank you to those of you who came along to the PTA meeting last night. We hope you felt well informed about events coming up. The team were very grateful for your generosity today in donating items for the tombola ahead of our HT Fest. With the event just over a week away, there is still time to sign your child up for HT's Got Talent. If your child would like to take part, do contact the organisers and see the flyer containing more details. Sam Kay does a wonderful job steering the team but she is always looking for more hands to assist. If you can help in any way, in particular in setting up and clearing away, do get in touch. Many hands make light work! Thank you.

If your child is coming along to this evening's PTA Popcorn and Pyjama party for the children, we are looking forward to seeing them. The party starts at 4:45pm for children in EYFS and KS1 and finishes at 6pm. Please come to the back door of the hall to collect your child just before 6pm. KS2 children who have tickets should arrive at the front entrance at 6:15pm. There may be a slight delay before we allow them in while we ensure that all the younger children have been handed over safely to their parents at the back door. Thank you for your patience while we do this. Their party ends at 8pm when you should also arrive at the back door of the hall to collect your child.

Head Lice:

As you will have seen in an email, we have had more reports this week of head lice. Please take time this weekend to check and treat if necessary. Thank you.

Sunday Service at St John The Baptist, Cookham Dean – Sunday 25th June, 4pm:

I am thrilled that a selection of children are available to read on Sunday at St John The Baptist in Cookham Dean. The service starts at 4pm; all are welcome.

Staffing for September:

Please refer to the letter you have been sent today outlining staffing next year.

Enjoy your weekend and I shall look forward to seeing you in a week's time hopefully at our HT Fest.

Anna Smith

CALENDAR DATES

Please continue to refer to this section in our newsletter during the course of this term and next to keep ahead of what is happening in school. Dates will be posted on a regular basis.

26 th June – 30 th June	Devon Trip – Year 6 Departure Time: 7:30am
26 th June – 30 th June	Transition Week: Rec – Y5 (tbc) all to enter through the back gate
26 th June – 6 th July	Sport Fortnight
27 th June	Junior Music Festival at The Hexagon, Reading (Year 3)
1 st July	HT Fest
(7 th July	Sports Day – postponed)
11 th July	Spanish Assembly (time tbc)
12 th July	Rock Steady Concert 9:30am
13th July	Sports Day
14 th July	Annual Reports delivered
17 th July	Y6 Leavers' service (time to be confirmed)
17 th July	Last day of Summer Term
18 th July	First Day of summer holiday
2 nd September	Cookham Regatta – PTA Dragon Boating
10 th September	The Gravity Grand Prix (see flyer sent today)
30 th September	Inter-PTA Football Tournament (see flyer sent today)