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KEY INFORMATION FOR THE WEEK

As another term draws to an end, on behalf of the staff I would like to thank you for your support over the last few weeks and wish you a very happy Easter holiday. I do hope that you find time to enjoy the holiday which your children certainly deserve. This week they have continued to work hard while supporting each other. We have had a wonderful time enjoying all the things Easter brings.

Church Service:

If you were able to come to yesterday's church service, I hope you enjoyed hearing the children lead our worship. They were delighted to receive a crème egg from Father Stephen who is keen to see you at the Easter Egg Hunt in church on Easter Sunday, 5th April. The event starts at 10am and all are welcome. Do go along if you can. A flyer containing the details of this and all that is going on during Holy Week has been sent out to you today.

Celebrating the End of Term with our PTA:

Today the children enjoyed an event coordinated by our PTA Junior Ambassadors, 'Make the Rules Day'. They were successful in raising £206.90 for a project they will be deciding upon in the new term.

The children also enjoyed following an Easter Trail which involved them working in teams to locate clues and find answers to a range of questions. All were successful in winning a prize. Our thanks go to Mrs King and Mrs Winrow-Davies for coordinating these two events.

Rock Steady Concert:

Our termly Rock Steady Concert was a huge success on Wednesday. It was wonderful to see the progress the children have made. If your child is interested in becoming a band member, the details of how to register them are below under extra-curricular activities.

Supporting Comic Relief:

Thank you again for helping us supporting Comic Relief last week. Some additional donations have meant the total amount we raised has risen from £238.44 to £285.44. Thank you for your generosity.

The Great Big Dance Off 2026:

If you have a child in Year 4, on Tuesday you were sent a letter about an event that the class will be participating in immediately after the holiday. We are excited that for the first time Holy Trinity will be competing in 'The Great Big Dance Off', a national dance competition open to schools across England and Wales. It is the only dance competition aimed solely at schools with a vision of bringing together children of all ages to perform. On Tuesday 14th April Year 4 will be heading off to Cadogan Hall in Chelsea, London for a heat which they hope will see them through to the main event in Cheltenham later in the term.

Music Events Coming Up:

When we return after Easter, we will be looking ahead to the Cookham Festival which our choirs will be performing in. Mrs Brown will be sharing details in due course. We also have our Summer Music Concert on 20th May, auditions for which will take place on 23rd April. As a reminder, if your child plays a musical instrument or is a talented singer, they are welcome to put themselves forward. They should speak to their music teacher to decide on a suitable piece and keep practicing to ensure they hit the required standard.

Test Season:

One of the things to be mindful of when we return after the holiday is that we move into the season when national tests take place. To remind you of what your child may be experiencing, the letter sent to you originally in October has been shared again. This, along with DfE leaflets (EYFS Reception Baseline, Y1 Phonics Screening, Y2 Optional Tests, Y4 Multiplication Check, Year 6 SATs), will help you understand what is required of your child.

Extra- Curricular Activities:

For news of clubs running again next term, see below for details. Please refer also to the various flyers which have been sent to you over the last couple of weeks. Next term Friday's Maths Club is open to Year 4 children. Names have already been shared with Mrs Neal and her team who continue to do a marvellous job inspiring the children in all things maths related. Our thanks go to the maths team as well as Mrs Thomas and Mr Lucas who run our netball clubs. We are proud of the range of activities we are able to offer through them and our outside club providers.

Extra-Curricular Activities running next term: Please contact club providers directly to enquire about availability. Thank you

Club	Year Group	Day/Time	Contact Details	Arrangements for drop-off/pick-up
Early Bird Club	All	Start time 8am each day of the week	No requirement to book, simply drop off anytime between 8am and 8:30am. Payment of £2.50 per session should be made through your ScoPay account	Arrive through the back door of the hall
After School Provision	All	From 3:15pm	Book directly: holytrinity@wraparoundcare4u.com	See WrapAroundCare4U for details: information sent out via email
Spanish Club	Year 4	Monday before school at 8.20am	Book directly by contacting Mrs Pow: 07939 045722 francesca@the-pows.co.uk	Arrive at the front entrance of school by 8:20am
Ukulele Club	Year 4, 5 and 6	Monday lunchtime	No need to book; Mrs Lucas is looking forward to starting up her band	N/A
Art Club	Year 3 & 4	Monday after school, finish time: 5pm	Book directly by contacting Mrs Hyslop: Nickyw1@hotmail.co.uk	Collect from the front entrance of school
Playball	EYFS & Year 1	Monday, finish time: 4pm	Book online: http://www.playballkids.com/f/southbucks	Collect from the back door of the school hall.
Junior Choir	Years 3 & 4	Tuesday before school, start time: 8am	Book directly by contacting Mrs Brown larainebrownbda@gmail.com	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Netball	Years 5 & 6	Tuesday before school, start time: 8am	Book directly by contacting Mr Lucas	Arrive at the side gate promptly at 8am ready to be let in by Mr Lucas
Spanish Club	Year 2	Tuesday before school at 8.20am	Book directly by contacting Mrs Pow: 07939 045722 francesca@the-pows.co.uk	Arrive at the front entrance of school by 8:20am
Spanish Club	Year 3	Tuesday after school, finish time 3:50pm	Book directly by contacting Mrs Pow: 07939 045722 francesca@the-pows.co.uk	Collect from the front entrance of school
Football Club	Year 5 & 6 girls & boys	Tuesday after school, finish time 4:30pm	Please refer to Mr Whittle's email sent this week for dates	Collect from the back gate – do not walk through school at the end of the session!
Art Club	Year 5 & 6	Tuesday after school, finish time: 5pm	Book directly by contacting Mrs Hyslop: Nickyw1@hotmail.co.uk	Collect from the front entrance of school
Cooking Club	Year 1 - 6	Tuesday after school, finish time 4:30pm	Refer to flyer for booking details	Collect from the front entrance of school
Little Samurai	EYFS, Y1 & Y2	Tuesday, finish time: 4:15pm	Book directly: 07828 534817 www.SamuraiKickboxing.com info@SamuraiKickboxing.com	Collect from the back door of the school hall
Hand Chime Music Club	Y3 & Y4	Tuesday, finish time 4:00pm	Led by Miss Smith Limited spaces – please email the office to confirm a space	Collect from the front entrance of school
Rock Steady	EYFS – Y6	Wednesday morning	Book directly: 0330 113 0330 Rocksteadymusicschool.com	N/A lessons take place during the school day
Spanish Club	Year 1	Wednesday before school at 8.20am	Book directly by contacting Mrs Pow: 07939 045722 francesca@the-pows.co.uk	Arrive at the front entrance of school by 8:20am
Mad Science Club	Year 1-6	Wednesday after school, finish time 4:30pm	Refer to flyer for booking details	Collect from the front entrance of school
Yoga & Mindfulness	Year 1 - 6	Wednesday, finish time 4:30pm	Book directly by contacting Sallie Windsor: 07846 992824 sallie.windsor@nurturekidsyoga.com	Collect from the back door of the school hall
Senior Choir	Years 5 & 6	Thursday before school, start time: 8am	Book directly by contacting Mrs Brown larainebrownbda@gmail.com	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Computer Xplorers	Years 4, 5 & 6	Thursday after school, finish time 4.30pm	Book directly Computer Xplorers Booking Page	Collect from front entrance of school
Young Samurai	Years 3 - 6	Thursday after school, finish time: 4:15pm	Book directly: 07828 534817 www.SamuraiKickboxing.com or info@SamuraiKickboxing.com	Collect from the back door of the school hall
Cooking Club	Year 1 - 6	Thursday after school, finish time 4:30pm	Refer to flyer for booking details	Collect from the front entrance of school
Netball Club	Year 2, 3 & 4 (numbers limited)	Thursday after school, finish time: 4:15pm	Book directly by contacting Mrs Thomas	Collect from the back gate
Maths Club	Year 5 & 6 (by invitation)	Friday before school at 8:15am	Organised by Mrs Neal with a rota of children invited to attend every few weeks	Arrive at the front entrance of school by 8:10am ready for an 8:15am start
Spanish Club	Year 5	Friday before school at 8.20am	Book directly by contacting Mrs Pow: 07939 045722 francesca@the-pows.co.uk	Arrive at the front entrance of school by 8:20am
Sewing Club	Year 1 – 6	Friday after school, finish time: 4:30pm	Book directly: 07782 253565 anita@dhaaga-sewing.co.uk	Collect from the front entrance of school
IPro Football	Years 1 - 6	Friday after school, finish time: 4:30pm (See flyer sent out again today.)	Book directly: Office 07908 172175 Email: office@iprofootballcoaching.co.uk Children attending this club are permitted to come to school wearing their school P.E. kit with a football shirt to change into at the end of the day if they wish.	Collect from the back gate – do not walk through school at the end of the session!
Maestro Music Lessons	EYFS – Y6	Various days during the week	To find out more, go to: Homepage - Berkshire Music Trust (berksmusictrust.org.uk)	Times of lessons determined by Maestros

School Lunches:

The new menu for the Summer Term can be found on our website. Please ensure you spend a moment over the holiday ordering your child's lunch for the first day back so our catering team can be sure to cook the right number of meals.

Uniform:

It was lovely to see the children wearing a variety of outfits for today's Make the Rules Day. When we return after the holiday, its back to regular school uniform. Please ensure your child comes in looking smart whether it's a normal school uniform day or PE kit day. As a reminder, nail varnish is not permitted and hair should be tied back. If you could find a little time to check that all items are clearly named, we would be most grateful. Thank you.

Smartphone Free:

I trust you saw my email on Monday reminding you that we are a Smartphone Free school that doesn't allow GPS trackers or Smart watches (or devices on which photographs can be taken) in school either. If your child is in Year 6, 'brick phones' (without camera capabilities) can be brought in. However, they must be handed in as soon as school begins. We lock devices away and only return them at the end of the day. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Dogs:

Thank you for taking note of the fact that dogs are no allowed on our site for safeguarding reasons. If you have to bring your dog to school when dropping off or picking up your child, please can we ask that dogs are not tied to railings close to entrance points particularly where our youngest children come onto the site. I appreciate the possible inconvenience of this but I write in response to concerns from a couple of parents.

Earth Hour – Saturday 28th March:

Tomorrow is Earth Hour, an event organised by WWF (World Wide Fund for Nature). Everyone from across the world is invited to switch off non-essential lights for one hour at 8:30pm, in order to raise awareness about climate change, energy consumption, and the need for environmental action. Our Eco-Council who, led by Mrs Weller, do a fantastic job steering us in matters related to the environment would be grateful if you would consider marking this event in your house tomorrow.

Meningitis:

Finally, sent out to you today is a letter from RBWM about the meningococcal disease outbreak in Kent. Have a wonderful Easter and we shall look forward to seeing you on Monday 13th April.

Anna Smith

CALENDAR DATES

While some key dates appear below, please continue to refer to this section in our newsletter throughout the year as new dates will be added on a regular basis as events come up. **Any new additions (or any changes and deadlines) are highlighted in blue.**

30th March – 10th April

EASTER HOLIDAY

13 th April	Start of the Summer Term
14 th April	Year 4 Great Big Dance Off in Chelsea
21 st April	Boys and Girls away football matches vs Holyport (selected children informed by letter)
22 nd April	Away Netball Match v Furze Platt Junior School (selected children informed by letter)
23 rd April	Auditions for the Musical Evening Concert
27 th April	PTA meeting 8pm Kings Arms
28 th April	Open House
29 th April	Open House
1 st May	Window for Applying for the Buckinghamshire Transfer Tests Opens
5 th May	Junior Music Festival Rehearsal for Year 3 (please refer to letter)
6 th May	Year 4 trip to 'The Lion King' (details to follow)
8 th May	Cookham Festival Schools' Event (tbc)
11 th – 14 th May	KS2 SATs
19 th May	Start of Walk to School Week
20 th May	Musical Evening Concert
22 nd May	Mufti Day (non-uniform day in exchange for an HT Fest tombola prize)

25th – 29th May

HALF TERM BREAK

2 nd June	Window for Applying for the Buckinghamshire Transfer Tests Closes
5 th June	PTA Disco
8 th – 12 th June	Arts and Culture Week
12 th June	Arts and Culture Week Performance pm
17 th June	Arthur Burgin Exhibition (Year 6)
19 th June	Junior Music Festival Rehearsal & Concert for Year 3 (please refer to letter)
22 nd – 26 th June	Y6 Residential Trip
22 nd – 2 nd July	Sports Fortnight
3 rd July	Sports Day
4 th July	HT Fest
10 th July	Spanish Assembly
16 th July	Last Day of Term – Leavers' Assembly (details tbc)