



## KEY INFORMATION FOR THE WEEK

Welcome back to the start of a new term. We do hope your child has enjoyed the return to school and has spoken excitedly about some of the new topics they are embarking on. Don't forget to refer the class newsletter which was sent to you at the start of the Summer Term to see what these topics are.

It has been, as you can imagine, an incredibly busy week. We received notification from Ofsted mid-morning on Monday that a team of inspectors would be visiting our school. They arrived on Tuesday and spent two days carrying out a graded inspection. We now wait for the report to be written which we hope we will have in time to share with you before the summer holiday.

On behalf of all the staff, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for taking the time to complete the Ofsted Parent Survey and for your messages of support throughout the week. We are incredibly grateful to you all.

### **Wild Cookham Arts Festival:**

This weekend you can be part of the Wild Cookham Arts Festival at the Odney Club where a wall hanging created by Year 3 and Year 5 will be displayed. Do go along to see our creation. For more details go to <https://ourchangingearth.co.uk> and see below:

*Entrance: free*

*Date: 10/11<sup>th</sup> June 10 – 5pm*

*Place: Sir Bernard Miller Centre, Odney Club, Cookham*

*Come and join WildCookham to learn about our global wildlife with fun, interactive activities, music and hear the powerful stories behind the art from over 90 artists in the stunning grounds of the John Lewis Partnership Club.*

*Free workshops.*

*For a timetable visit: <https://tinyurl.com/festival-timetable>*

*To book a workshop: <https://tinyurl.com/OCEattendees-workshopbookings>.*

### **Royal Windsor Flower Show:**

Tomorrow you might be interested in going along to The Royal Windsor Flower Show in Windsor Great Park where you will also see work created by our children on display. Look out for the potatoes Year 2 have grown and the wheelbarrow they are exhibiting and go along to the children's marquee to see the Australian Commonwealth Coronation Robe Year 6 have made. You can see their project by following this link: <https://www.instagram.com/p/CtFbRuUrxq2/?hl=en>

To book tickets for the flower show which will be held tomorrow, 10<sup>th</sup> June, go to:

[Royal Windsor Flower Show – The Royal Windsor Rose & Horticultural Society \(rwrhs.com\)](https://www.rwrhs.com)

### **Arts and Culture Week:**

You will be aware that our Arts and Culture Week is scheduled for next week. As you will have seen on previous newsletters, on the afternoon of Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June, you are invited to come into school to see our performance in celebration of the arts. Each class will be presenting a routine and our show will end with a whole school number. We do hope you will be able to come along. Your child will need a basic costume consisting of a plain black t-shirt and plain black shorts with specific costume embellishments which you will find posted on Google Classroom. Mrs Lucas has been working incredibly hard with almost every class in the school choreographing some amazing dances and we have enjoyed welcoming the borough's dance specialist, Jane Douglass, to Holy Trinity. Mrs Douglass, who has had input into the Year 3 and Year 6 dances, was in school again this week perfecting their routines.

**On Friday your child should come to school wearing their costume which they will stay in for the whole day. You are invited to arrive from 1:30pm ready to make your way down to the field where our performance will take place starting at 1:45pm. After our show, the children will return to class from where you will be able to sign them out before taking them home. KS1 & KS2 children will leave with you as normal via the back gate, EYFS will exit via the front entrance.**

**If you are unable to come and if our performance ends a little before 3:15pm, your child will be supervised by staff until usual pick up time when you should arrive as normal at the back gate (KS1 & KS2) or the front entrance (EYFS) to collect them.**

**Next week the children will be practising their dance performance outside so it would be ever so helpful if you could ensure they come to school wearing sunscreen every day. It looks as if the weather will be on our side! They should also come in each day wearing smart school P.E. kit regardless of whether they have a P.E. lesson.**

In celebration of Arts and Culture, on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June we will launch the week with 'Rogue Opera', a profession music company who will perform a range of pieces all with the intention of inspiring the children through live music. For the rest of the week a number of workshops, including some delivered by Norden Farm, have been planned but we would still welcome your input! If you have an interest in music, art or performance and would be willing to run a workshop for a specific class or classes, we would love to hear from you. Do get in touch with Mrs Lucas and Mrs Nicol who are putting the final timetable together. Thank you to those of you who have already offered sessions.

#### **Collective Worship:**

Again, this week, we enjoyed welcoming Lay Minister, Richard Simmonds, in to deliver Collective Worship. It was also lovely to welcome former pupil Charlie Myall to school today to talk about his success in being chosen for the England Rugby U18 Men's Squad. We are thrilled to hear of his success and his willingness to come in and talk to the children about his journey.

#### **Extra-Curricular Activities:**

For details of what activities are happening, before, during and after school next term please refer to the newsletter published on 28<sup>th</sup> April. Please note that there are some changes to when choir will be meeting so please refer to the email sent out by Mrs. Laraine Brown last term.

#### **Year 6 Residential Trip to CRS Adventures, Devon:**

We now only have three weeks until we head off to Devon. I trust those of you with children in Year 6 have now followed the link sent to you a while ago in order to complete the relevant form for CRS. The deadline for the final payment is today, 9<sup>th</sup> June, so with all in place we will almost be ready to depart. In the next couple of weeks you will be sent information about how to send in medical equipment for your child which will be accompanied by some important details about departure etc. Do look out for this.

#### **PTA News:**

I do hope to see you later at the PTA's Race Night. This event will be followed by a Popcorn and Pyjama party for the children on 23<sup>rd</sup> June. On the 22<sup>nd</sup> June the team have their next Zoom meeting to which everyone is welcome. Do come along if you can. Information about it will be circulated closer to the time.

#### **Supporting Children and Young People's Mental Wellbeing:**

If you missed the information from the borough on how to support your child with mental health and wellbeing, I encourage you to refer back to the newsletter published at the end of last term. There was a wealth of information which you are sure to find helpful.

#### **Furze Platt Senior School Open Day:**

Furze Platt Senior School will be holding an open morning for children currently in Year 5 on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June. Although further details are yet to be circulated, you may wish to add this date to your diary.

Unlike request for absence for holidays, visits to senior schools are permitted and will be authorised. This is an important part of helping you select the right school for your child to ensure their next stage of transition is smooth.

We will be organising a week of internal transition beginning on 26<sup>th</sup> June when Year 6 are away on their residential trip. This will mean your child will spend a week in their new classroom with the staff they will be working with from September. The experience allows them to become accustomed to a new environment and get to know maybe less familiar teachers and teaching assistants who will establish rules and routines. It is always a positive experience for the children and staff.

Thank you again for your support this week. Have a wonderful weekend and enjoy the Royal Windsor Flower Show and Wild Cookham Arts Festival if you choose to go along.

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.

5 <sup>th</sup> June – 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Window for Y4 Multiplication Check
9 <sup>th</sup> June	PTA Race Night – school hall, 7:30pm arrival (please refer to flyer)
10 <sup>th</sup> June	Royal Windsor Flower Show – Year 2 participation
12 <sup>th</sup> June – 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Arts & Culture Week – children to wear school P.E. kit and sun screen every day except Friday when they should come to school wearing their costume and sun screen
16 <sup>th</sup> June	Arts and Culture Week Performance: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <b>start time 1:45pm</b></li> <li>➤ <b>children come to school wearing costumes</b></li> </ul>
12 <sup>th</sup> June – 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Window for Y1 Phonics Screening
13 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5/6 Quad Kids Athletics event 3:45 – 5:45pm Newlands Girls School (selected children informed by letter)
21 <sup>st</sup> June	Arthur Burgin Science Exhibition afternoon – Year 6 parents invited
22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Brownlee Foundation Mini-Triathlon event at Bracknell Leisure Centre (selected children to be informed)
22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Deadline for children submitting design ideas for The Gravity Grand Prix (see flyer sent today)
22 <sup>nd</sup> June	PTA Meeting – all welcome
23 <sup>rd</sup> June	PTA Pyjama and Popcorn Party
26 <sup>th</sup> June – 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Devon Trip – Year 6
26 <sup>th</sup> June – 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Transition Week: Rec – Y5 (tbc)
26 <sup>th</sup> June – 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Sport Fortnight
27 <sup>th</sup> June	Junior Music Festival at The Hexagon, Reading (Year 3)
1 <sup>st</sup> July	HT Fest
7 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day
11 <sup>th</sup> July	Spanish Assembly (time tbc)
17 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Leavers' service (tbc)
17 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of Summer Term
18 <sup>th</sup> July	First Day of summer holiday
2 <sup>nd</sup> September	Cookham Regatta – PTA Dragon Boating
10 <sup>th</sup> September	The Gravity Grand Prix (see flyer sent today)
30 <sup>th</sup> September	Inter-PTA Football Tournament (see flyer sent today)