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KS2 SATs

Next week, alongside their peers around the country our Yr 6 pupils will be assessed using the national end of KS2 SATs tests.

The tests have an agreed format with specific tests timetabled for specific days:

Monday 14 May – Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation

Tuesday 15 May – Reading

Wednesday 16 May – Maths Paper 1 and Maths Paper 2

Thursday 17 May – Maths Paper 3

These tests will be taking place in the 60's block. Parents are politely asked to leave the school site promptly next week to enable the children to have a calm and quiet environment in which to do their tests.

FOSS Events

Over the past couple of weeks there have been several FOSS Events held.

At the beginning of term the **Bags 2 School** collection raised £112.00

On Saturday 28 April 2018, the concert held by **Iron Fist** raised a total

of £418.20 – this included a magnificent £107.16 collected on the night from people's spare change.

On Wednesday 2 May we had a magnificent Cake Break with the FS/KSI parents donating lots of cakes

The total amount raised was £170.07

I'm sure you will agree these events have raised a significant amount for FOSS. Thank you for all your support with these events.

Yr 1 Parents – Phonics Workshop

Thank you to all the parents who attended the recent Yr 1 Phonics Workshops.

We are pleased that you found the session useful. If you missed the opportunity to attend one of the workshops we will be running a third and final workshop at 7:00pm on **Tuesday 22 May 2018** in Jade classroom.

A separate letter will be sent to the Yr 1 parents who didn't attend the previous workshops.

Grafham Water Information Evening

On Tuesday 22 May 2018 we will be hosting an information evening for the parents of the Yr 6 pupils who will be attending our annual Yr 6 residential trip to Grafham Water. This meeting will take place in Citrine Class and will start at 7:00pm.

Bikeability

Parents of our current Yr 5 pupils are reminded that the reply slip for their child's participating in the Bikeability training course being held in November need to be returned to the main office by **Tuesday 22 May 2018**.

Art Week – week beginning Monday 21 May

We are all beginning to look forward to our annual Art Week which will be held during the week beginning Monday 21 May.

This year our theme will be People. During the week the children will have the opportunity to learn about the following artists and create 'people' using a variety of media:

Monday 21 May – LS Lowry

Tuesday 22 May – Barbara Hepworth

Wednesday 23 May – Weaving as a creative media

Thursday 24 May – Looking at drawing and painting portraits with local artist Kevin Moore

There are some resources that we are hoping the children can bring in from home for Art Week. These include:

- A small single use plastic bottle with a small drinking top
- Odd balls of wool for our weaving activity on Wednesday
- A large shirt that can act as an art apron to protect their school uniforms

There will be opportunities for parents to come into school and get involved with the various activities eg on Tuesday 22 May during our study of the work of the artist Barbara Hepworth the children will be working with their buddies or in small groups to create a series of bumps and curves like those of the Barbapapas. This will involve working with balloons and plaster of paris and we'll need help with the blowing up of the balloons and the pouring of the plaster of paris.

We are hoping for some parents to get involved with the activities. If you'd like to join us for Art Week please go directly to your child's class teacher or email the school office.

Sun Cream

With the arrival of the warmer weather we would like to take this opportunity to remind parents that we encourage the children to come into school each day with their sun hats (named) and a water bottle.

Sun protection cream should be applied before school. Children are able to bring their own bottle of sun protection cream into school (ensuring that the bottle is clearly named) and this can be re-applied by the child at lunchtime. It's helpful if you can show your child how to apply the sun cream as some of our children are very heavy handed and end up applying nearly a whole bottle in one application.

Please do remind your child that they should not be sharing their sun cream with other children.

School Meals

Many of you may have heard that the contractor the school uses to provide our school meals, CCS Catering will cease trading at the end of the calendar year.

Our school is one of five schools within the WASP Partnership to use CCS Catering for the supply of school meals. I am currently working with the other local schools to source another provider of school meals.

An invitation to tender has been produced in consultation with an independent adviser and we are currently having interested companies visit the school.

Each of the short listed companies will be invited to speak to members of all five schools on Monday 25 June. The hope is that a new company will take over the provision of the school meals from 15 October 2018.

I will keep parents informed of the progress made.

Yr 4 Swimming

Our Yr 4 children are currently going to The Ivo swimming pool in St Ives for some swimming lessons.

Whilst they are at the pool our Yr 3 children are enjoying being taught tennis by a qualified tennis coach. Parents of Yr 3 children are reminded that their children should come to school in their PE kit on Monday mornings to ensure they have

the maximum time with the tennis coach.

These sports sessions will continue for the rest of this term.

Football Coaching

Our Yr 3/4 pupils are also receiving coaching from a qualified football coach from the FA at the moment. This coaching is being funded by the FA as part of their campaign to get involved in sport at the grass roots.

The training will last until the end of this half term.

Yr 3/4 Sports Festivals

On Friday 4 May a group of eighteen Yr 3/4 pupils went to Witchford Village College for a Tri-Golf and Tennis Tournament.

A team of ten pupils were involved in a variety of different golf games, during these games they were able to use a range of skills and showed great team work.

We also took two teams of four pupils to play tennis as part of a tennis festival.

It was a very successful and sunny event, which all of the participating pupils enjoyed.

Family Worker Drop Ins

Do you have a concern or query about any of your children? Would you like advice around things such as

behaviour, anxiety, sleeping, sibling rivalry or self-esteem?

Come along to one of the Parent and Carer Support Drop-ins and chat to an experienced family worker.

To book an appointment please contact the school office or simply just turn up. The dates until the end of July 2018 are:

Tuesday 22 May	13.10–15.10
Tuesday 26 June	9.00–11.00
Wednesday 18 July	13.10–15.10

With these current dates and to help working parents to come along if they would like some of the sessions are being held in the afternoon.

School INSET Day

Our school will be closed on Friday 25 May for our final INSET Day of this academic year.

The school will reopen to pupils on Monday 4 June following the summer Half Term Holiday.

School Contact Details

You can contact the school in a number of ways:

1. By speaking to your child's classteacher
2. By telephone: 01353 778 351
3. By email:
office@sutton.cambs.sch.uk
4. If you just need to check out some information use our new website:
www.sutton.cambs.sch.uk

Summer Term 2018

Monday 14 May – KS2 SATs all week

Monday 21 May – Art Week begins

Tuesday 22 May – Deadline for placing school uniform orders for September 2018

Thursday 24 May – School closes for the Summer Half Term Holiday

Friday 25 May – School Closed for Staff Training

Monday 4 June – School reopens following the Summer Half Term Holiday

Tuesday 5 June – September 2018 Admissions Evening at 7pm

Wednesday 6 June – Cake Break – KS2 parents to bake please

Friday 8 June – Open Afternoon from 2:30pm

Saturday 9 June – FOSS Summer Fete

Monday 11 June – Yr 1 Phonics Screening Check – all week

Tuesday 12 – Thursday 14 June – Yr 6 pupil/parent meetings with staff from WVC

Monday 18 June – KS1 pupils to the Botanical Gardens in Cambridge.

Monday 18 June – Wednesday 20 June Yr 6 Residential Trip to Grafham Water

Friday 29 June – KS2 Sports Day at 9:15am

Monday 2 July – KS2 Reserve Sports Day at 9:15am

Wednesday 4 July – FS Sports Day at 9:15am

Wednesday 4 July – KS1 Sports Day at 10:30am

Wednesday 4 July – Yr 6 Transition Day at WVC

Thursday 5 July – Yr 6 Transition Day at WVC

Thursday 5 July – Jump Up! Day

Friday 6 July – Yr 2 Get Active Festival

Tuesday 10 July – FS/September Admissions Teddy Bears Picnic at 2:15pm

Wednesday 11 July – Cake Break – FS/KSI Parents to bake please

Friday 13 July – KS2 Dress Rehearsal

Monday 16 July – KS2 Performance at 1:30pm

Tuesday 17 July – KS2 Performance at 1:30pm

Wednesday 18 July – FS pupils to Wicken Fen

Wednesday 18 July – KS2

Performance at 9:30am

Thursday 19 July – KS2 Performance at 1:30pm

Monday 23 July – Leavers Service at St Andrew's Church

Monday 23 July – Yr 6 Leavers BBQ 4:00-6:00pm

Tuesday 24 July – Break Up for the Summer Holidays

Mr Smith and I are working with my successor, Mrs Gore-Rowe and the members of the Governing Body to fill the vacancies.

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And Finally...

At the end of this term we shall be saying good bye to the following members of staff:

Mrs Chappell has decided to retire from teaching.

Mr Thornley – he has secured a teaching position at a school in Ely.

Mrs Lasker – Mrs Laskar has decided to seek part time employment.

I'd like to wish all of these members of staff well as they embark on new adventures and to thank them for their hard work and support during the time they have been at our school.