



# Newsletter

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## Key Stage 2 Production

This year's KS2 production will be *Romeo & Juliet* and will take place at **6pm on Monday 16th July in the Village Hall**. Classes 3 and 4 are working hard to put on a great show for you all: the version performed is shorter than the original (you won't need to keep 2½ hours free!) and has some catchy songs added to keep you entertained...

As only half the school is involved you won't need to book tickets to come and watch. Simply turn up. However, if you, or any of your party have particular needs, it would be helpful to let the school office know beforehand so that we can make any necessary arrangements. Performers should arrive at 5.45pm already in their costume for a prompt 6pm start.

Any families wishing to take photographs on the night will need to sign to say that they understand the school's expectations about the use of photographs involving other people's children: primarily that these are for personal family use and not for sharing on social media.

We are looking forward to a fantastic evening's entertainment...

## Summer Heat

We have had such a long run of warm, dry and sunny weather, I almost think that our weather is broken! Please continue to provide sun hats and cover your children in sun cream in the morning.

## Autumn Term

This week in school we have mapped out the key dates for the 2018/19 school year. Some of the most important Autumn and Spring Term dates are overleaf.

We think that many of you will have been to so many curriculum evenings, you may be able to give the teachers' presentations yourselves, and much of the same information is already in our Curriculum letters, so we've decided on a little revamp.

There will still be an opportunity to meet and talk to your child's class

teacher, but we will also present on specific themes. For example, those of you with children in Class 1 will be familiar with *Tapestry*, the online learning journey where we can all share photos of your child's learning in a secure way. We plan to expand the use of this tool to Class 2 next year (albeit in a slightly different way) and so there is a need to introduce this to new Reception and Year 2 parents.

Two talks that we have decided on already are:

- A presentation about the Year 5/6 residential to Eaton Vale
- An introduction to *Tapestry* for parents of children in Reception and Year 2.

We will send a finalised timetable for the evening at the start of next term. In the interim, please keep the date free.

## Make-Do-and-Mend

Last summer, we worked really hard to improve our school environment with some decorating, clearing, planting and tidying. This year, we'd really like your help.

If you can spare some time on Saturday 14th July between 9am and 1pm to do a little gardening, fence painting or clearing around the school pond, we'd be very grateful. We have a few tools, but if you can bring some from home to use that would be great.

## Congratulations to...

- Harrison (Class 2) for his 5k run medal.
- Thomas (Class 3) for his two Honours gradings in dance: Modern Ballroom and Disco/Freestyle

## Reminders

- The PTFA Summer Disco and Barbecue is today.
- NHS Vision Screening for pupils in Reception is on Tuesday 10th July.
- There is a cake sale on Friday 13th July at 3pm.
- The Make-Do-and-Mend Day is on Saturday 14th July.
- Key Stage 2 Production is on Monday 16th July at 6pm.
- Year 6 Leavers' Assembly is on Tuesday 24th July at 8.50am.

Best wishes,  
Mr Philip Atkin  
**Headteacher**

## End-of-Year Reports

This year's reports will go home on Wednesday 11th July. Please look out for them...

Changes to the statutory assessment frameworks for Year 2 and Year 6 means that one area of assessment (eg handwriting) should not affect an overall judgement of meeting the expected standard, and so we have made a parallel change to our in-school system so that a single missed criteria does not stop a child achieving the expected standard. I will include more information on this with the reports.

This year the school has taken part in local authority moderation for Reception assessments and has had a moderation visit for Year 2. These visits are on a cycle. We were last moderated for Year 6 in 2016 and visited to verify Year 6 SATs in 2017.

## Kwik Cricket

Ten children from Class 3 took part in the Year 3/4 Kwik Cricket competition at Caldecote Cricket Club yesterday. We played four matches in our pool, beating Guilden Morden, but losing to Swavesey A, Jeavons Wood and Elsworth. The team (Joshua – captain, Jake, Theo, Elke, Loui, Megan, Raffy, Douglas, Rose and Logan) represented the school well.

Following the Chance to Shine coaching that classes received last half-term there were noticeable improvements in the way our Year 3s and 4s played. So well done everyone.

## Snack Reminder

Please can all families remember that snacks sent in for breaktime should be supporting children's understanding of healthy eating.

## Dates for Your Diary

<b>Wednesday 11th July</b>	End of Year Reports to parents
<b>Monday 16th July</b>	Key Stage 2 Production, 6pm
<b>Tuesday 24th July</b>	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly, 8.50am

## Autumn Term 2018

<b>Tuesday 4th September</b>	School Closed – INSET Day
<b>Wednesday 5th September</b>	First Day of Term for Children
<b>Tuesday 11th September</b>	Meet-the-teacher / Curriculum Evening
<b>Monday 24th September – Thursday 27th September</b>	Year 6 Bikeability
<b>Friday 28th September</b>	Macmillan Coffee Morning
<b>Tuesday 2nd October</b>	Y2 and Y6 SATs information evenings
<b>Friday 5th October</b>	PTFA AGM
<b>Monday 15th October</b>	Parent & Child Consultations
<b>Wednesday 17th October</b>	Parent & Child Consultations
<b>Monday 22 October – Friday 26th October</b>	Half-Term
<b>Monday 29th October</b>	School Closed – INSET Day
<b>Friday 9th November</b>	Remembrance Assembly, 10.30am
<b>Friday 23rd November</b>	Open Morning, 9am – 10am
<b>Tuesday 11th December</b>	Class 1/2 Production, 9am
<b>Wednesday 12th December</b>	Class 1/2 Production, 2.15pm
<b>Friday 14th December</b>	Parent & Child Christmas Crafts, 2pm
<b>Wednesday 19th December</b>	Carols at St Mary's, 9am
<b>Wednesday 19th December</b>	Last Day of Term

## Spring Term 2018

<b>Thursday 3rd January &amp; Wednesday 4th January</b>	School Closed – INSET Day
<b>Monday 7th January</b>	First Day of Term for Children
<b>Monday 14th January</b>	Values Day
<b>Tuesday 22nd January</b>	Young Voices (KS2)
<b>Monday 11th February</b>	Parent & Child Consultations
<b>Wednesday 13th February</b>	Parent & Child Consultations
<b>Monday 18th February – Friday 22nd February</b>	Half-Term
<b>Monday 11th March – Friday 15th March</b>	Science Week
<b>Friday 5th April</b>	Open Morning, 9am – 10am
<b>Friday 5th April</b>	Last Day of Term