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8th April, 2022.

Dear Parents / Carers,

Well the sun is shining on our last day of the spring term – long may it last! The children are very excited about the holiday – and of course being allowed to wear their own clothes and bunny ears!

Just a few notices before we break up:

Welcome

We are pleased to confirm that Mrs Muneyi – Cargill (known as Mrs MC to the children) will be carrying on her teaching role in Year 1 for the rest of the year. The children have really responded well to her and she is a great addition to the team.

Clubs

You should all now have received confirmation about clubs for the summer term. Don't forget that the clubs all begin in the first week back. If you have a child attending a club and their sibling is not in a club on that day, you **must** either collect them at normal time or book them into after school club with 24 hours notice.

Easter egg raffle and egg technology competition

We are all completely blown away by the enthusiasm for this competition this year. The entries are amazing and the children and staff have loved looking at them on display. The worthy winners will be announced this afternoon – please look on the website later for some great pictures!

COVID

Again, the numbers remain very low thanks to precautions in and out of school. We have one new case this week – a contact of Year 4 children and staff, so please be vigilant if anyone in your household develops symptoms. I have attached a letter from NHS Birmingham which provides guidance if you want to take up the offer of vaccination against COVID for your child.



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Trips

I have now confirmed the trip for year 6 after SATs. We are going to take them to West Midlands Safari Park – see the animals and then enjoy the rides and stalls for the rest of the day. The trip will be on **Thursday 23rd June** and will be £15 per child. Mrs Scott will be setting up a payment plan on the app when we return, if you wish to do this in instalments. This does not cover the cost of the trip as we will fund the coach. Please note that the field trip to Birmingham canal side on Wednesday 25th May will be free of charge.

We are also doing half day geography field trips for Y3 – Cannon Hill Park, to see the River Rea, and Y4 – Lickey Hills, to learn about the forest and hills. Again, these will be free of charge and dates will be confirmed when we return after Easter.

SATs week

As notified before, Y6 statutory tests will take place from the 9th – 12th May. The timetable is as follows:

Monday – Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling

Tuesday – Reading

Wednesday – Maths papers 1 and 2: arithmetic and reasoning

Thursday – Maths paper 3 – reasoning

Friday will be a day of celebrations and fun for Y6, and will start with a cooked breakfast from 8.00 am. Breakfast will also be available free of charge on each of the test days.

Year 6 will have homework to complete over the Easter holiday – it is essential to make some time for this as it is direct practice for the tests. We only have two weeks before SATs week when we come back, and the children have been making brilliant progress, so we just need to make sure that all learning sticks.

Likewise in Year 2, the homework being given out is revision of their learning in reading, maths and SPAG, and they will start their tests the week after Y6. These will be completed throughout the month of May. Y2 children have also made great progress and we want to make sure that this is sustained and they continue to show how well they are all recovering from the lockdown days. Again, there will be fun and celebrations to mark the end of testing.

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Parental workshop: Developmental Language Disorder and Vocabulary Development

We have been working in our local consortium on an SEN project which has given us some great pointers and resources for the school. As part of this, we are awaiting confirmation of a workshop on the above topic to take place in school on **Friday 6th May**.

The training will last approximately 1 hour with 30 minutes to answer questions at the end and we are hoping to be able to confirm the exact time of this when we return after the holiday. We know that it will be of benefit to a number of parents and carers and individuals can contact Mrs Stoiber to chat about whether it would be suitable for them.

Emails and texts

Due to all the disruption caused by the pandemic, Miss Williams and I were constantly checking for messages and notifications throughout each holiday. For this holiday, we will both be taking a bit of a break. So if you need to message us about anything pressing, please do it by the end of the day. Any messages sent in the holidays may not be dealt with until after the holiday. Thanks for your understanding.

I think that is it for the immediate messages. We are back in on **Monday 25th April**. I have once again attached the calendar in case there is anything you have missed. So until we see you again, have a lovely break with the children – whether it is celebrating Easter, seeing friends and family during Ramadan or simply enjoying the spring break, I wish you all the best for you and the children.

Kind regards,

Barbara Butterworth



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Summer term calendar to date

Date	Event	Notes
Thursday 28 th April	Year 3 swimming begins	Weekly lessons (except for Election Day) – last day Thursday 9 th June
Monday 2 nd May	Bank Holiday	School closed
Thursday 5 th May	Election Day	School closed to all year groups except Y2 and Y6 who MUST attend. Own clothes day.
Friday 6 th May	Star assembly	
Monday 9 th May	Y6 SATS week	Free daily breakfast at 8.00 am for all Y6 children.
Friday 20 th May	Star assembly	
Wednesday 25 th May	Y6 trip to Birmingham canals	Further letter to follow.
Thursday 26 th May	Queen's Platinum Jubilee Day celebrations in school	Letter to follow with details
Friday 27 th May	Jubilee Day school holiday	School closed
Half term holiday – Monday 30 th May – Friday 3 rd June		
Monday 6 th June	School re-opens Multiplication check for Y4 children – 3 week window for completion	Letter to follow re. Y4 multiplication check.
Friday 10 th June	Star assembly	
Thursday 16 th June	Year 5 swimming begins	Weekly lessons - last day Thursday 14 th July
Friday 17 th June	Year 2 trip to Twycross Zoo	
Thursday 23 rd June	Year 6 trip to West Midlands Safari trip	
Friday 24 th June	Star assembly	
Monday 27 th June	Sports Day Y4,5,6	Parents/carers welcome
Tuesday 28 th June	Sports day Y1,2,3	Parents/carers welcome
Wednesday 29 th June	Year 3 trip to Twycross Zoo	
Friday 1 st July	Star assembly	
Friday 8 th July	Annual reports to parent/carers Star assembly	
Monday 11 th July	Arts week begins	
Friday 15 th July	Art display open to parents/carers	
Wednesday 20 th July	Y6 leavers' party	
Thursday 21 st July	Last day of school 9.00 am Y6 leavers' assembly	Parents/carers welcome
Summer holiday: Friday 22 nd July - Wednesday 7 th September		