



Dear Parents/Carers,

**Y6 Statutory Assessment Tests**

SATs are National Tests and we are responsible and accountable for ensuring every Year Six pupil sits these tests. Please do everything possible to ensure your child is in school, on time that week. Although we have previously been able to accommodate pupils taking the test at a different time because they have been ill, it is much better for children to take the test alongside their peers. The tests are not long in duration, but if your child misses one, we will need to talk to parents about anticipated return to school. The absent pupils should not have contact with other pupils or use social media before taking the test.

The timetable follows:

<b>Day</b>	<b>9-10.30</b>	<b>10.45-12.10</b>
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	Grammar and Punctuation Paper 1: questions	Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling Paper 2: Spelling
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	English Reading	
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Maths Paper 1: arithmetic	Maths Paper 2: Reasoning
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Maths Paper 3: Reasoning	

**Key stage 1**

May 2019	Key stage 1 test period
Week commencing Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> June 2019	Phonics screening check week

**Publication: information for parents about national curriculum tests**

The DFE have published an information leaflet parents of pupils taking the KS1 and KS2 national curriculum tests. It provides information about:

- the purpose of the tests
- how parents can best support their children
- how results will be reported

**100% attendance**

Ms Reece distributed certificates to classes for all children who attended school on every school day last term. We are all aware that when children are young, it's the parents who ensure attendance, so thank you very much for establishing such good habits and attitudes. Congratulations go to class 4D who had 18 children with 100 % attendance!

**Sun Safety – Wrap, Hat, Splat**

Fine weather is expected and the following is advice for families to avoid painful sunburn:

Wrap on a t-shirt (this is part of school uniform, obviously), but if your child is exceptionally pale you might choose a long sleeved white shirt and long trousers at school.

Hat – please provide your son or daughter with a named hat to wear when they are playing outside.

Splat – on a high factor sunscreen every day, please apply this before school because staff cannot do this. On very hot days, we encourage children to seek shade and drink water frequently – please provide a water bottle every day.

**School Uniform**

Please keep your child looking smart right up until the end of the year.

**Summer uniform is:**

Grey skirt, trousers, shorts or pinafore

With white polo shirt

Or Green/white summer dress

Black/brown/white summer sandals with closed toe and heel/ black school shoes

School sweatshirt, cardigan or fleece

Grey/black/white socks

Thank you for always providing socks, water, sun hat and a lightweight mac for unexpected showers – do label absolutely everything! No trainers, jelly shoes or crocs for every day wear please.

**Competition Winners**

Three children won the 'Time4Children' Easter colouring competition, winning an Easter Egg which was presented to them on the last day of the spring term. Winners were: James W EYFS, Grace Mc Year One, Mollie P Year Two. Congratulations to all because you have to be in it to win it!

**Do you have any questions, comments or suggestions for newsletter items or School Improvement?**

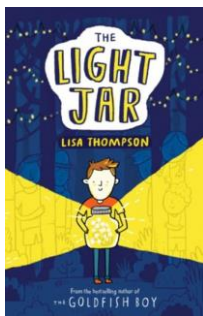
Pop your question into an envelope and mark it for Ms Reece's attention and I'll either be in touch or include your item in the next Friday newsletter. Thank you.

Yours sincerely, Candida Reece, Head teacher



### Other News

#### Book Review



#### The Light Jar by Lisa Thompson

I liked this book because it was an adventure mystery story. It was a brilliant book because at the end of every chapter you always have an urge to read on.

This book provides you with thousands of emotions. It is about a boy named Nate who is scared of the dark. Then one day his mum

wants to go on holiday. The 'holiday' location is in the middle of an overgrown forest. They are staying in an old cottage pre-owned by an old gardener named William.

One night, Nate's mum goes out to buy some food and never returns. Nate meets an unusual girl named Kitty who tells him about her past and they both help each other out.

I recommend this book for any readers who enjoy adventure stories over anything else.

By Holly-Anne B 60

#### Tractor Visit

Year 1, Year 2 and EYFS had a visit from Tim with his tractor on Tuesday!

This was a stunning start to introduce the children to their new topics this term.



#### Y5 Stunning start

A Year 5 parent, Mike D, visited both Year 5 classes on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April to talk about his experience of climbing Mount Everest. The children found the talk informative and an inspirational start to their topic: "The Sky is the limit".

Mike D commented:

"Thank you for organising my talks to the Year 5 classes today on my Everest experiences. I have given 20 talks to primary school groups over the last 11 years. I thought the two classes I spoke to today were among the best behaved, most engaged and most insightful groups I have spoken to. Talking to them was a real pleasure. Both classes are a credit to the school."



#### Y3 & 4 Stunning start



On Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April, Years 3 and 4 enjoyed a 'Deep Down Under' themed 'Stunning Start'. Throughout the morning, the children enjoyed a range of activities

including geode painting, dinosaur model making, 'Blue John' inspired music, dinosaur biscuit decorating, and a mine themed assault course.

Thank you to parents and carers for sending children dressed in amazing underground themed costumes.

#### Choir

Please note that choir this half term will only take place on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May and Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May due to SATS week.

#### Band

Please note that band does not start until after half term on the 11/6/2019.

#### Cricket Club

Due to an unexpected absence Miss Griffiths will be unable to start Cricket club until after half term. The first session will be on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June.





### Term dates for your Diary

29 <sup>th</sup> April	KS1 Mini Badminton Festival at the Triangle 1-3pm.
Week of 29 <sup>th</sup> April	Internal clubs start exc Choir which does not start until 8/5/2019. Band which does not start until after half term 11/6/19. Cricket which does not start until after half term.
1 <sup>st</sup> – 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Y5 Residential trip to Bawdsey Manor.
6 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>BANK HOLIDAY</b>
Month of May	<b>Test month</b>
Week of 13 <sup>th</sup> May	Y6 SATS week then ongoing writing moderation in Y6. No Choir
20 <sup>th</sup> May	Class and leavers photos
23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Y6 Parent/Carer meeting regarding the residential trip to Liddington
27 <sup>th</sup> June to 31 <sup>st</sup> May	<b>Half Term</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup> June	<b>INSET DAY</b>
6 <sup>th</sup> June	New parents/carers evening, in the large hall at 7pm for children starting school September 2019.
Week of 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Y6 Residential trip to Liddington
15 <sup>th</sup> June	LMA Wild West Fest Summer Fayre 12-3pm
Week of 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Science week
21 <sup>st</sup> June	No Celebration assembly
25 <sup>th</sup> June	KS1 Little Big Sing at Manor Field 9.30-11.30am. Invitation only.
25 <sup>th</sup> June	Stay and Play in the Orchard for children with a surname starting A-L starting school in September 2019 3.30-4.30pm
27 <sup>th</sup> June	Deadline for Y6 writing moderation submission to WSCC
Week of 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Y6 Bikeability week.
2 <sup>nd</sup> July	KS2 Big Sing at Manor Field 9.30-11.30am. Invitation only.
2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Stay and Play in the Orchard for children with a surname starting M-Z starting school in September 2019 3.30-4.30pm

3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Secondary Transition day for Y6
3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Drop N Go session for children starting school in September Surname A-L 9.15-10.15am Surname M-Z 10.45-11.45am
3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Transition day for children to meet their new teacher at 10.45am -11.45am
12 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day from 1.15pm
17 <sup>th</sup> July	Y2 Fab Finish at 2pm KS2/Y6 Leavers production at 5.15pm
18 <sup>th</sup> July	KS2/Y6 Leavers production at 6pm
22 <sup>nd</sup> July	9-9.45am Y6 Awards – Y6 parents/carers are welcome to attend. 7pm Y6 Leavers event in the small hall for pupils only.
23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Last day of school.



Are you in current year 2 or 3?

Join us for a Taster Session at the Triangle Leisure Centre. Sessions will be active, lots of fun and free!

Date: Saturday May 11th 2019

Time: 10-11.30am

Venue: Outside courts Triangle Leisure Centre Burgess Hill

If you have a daughter who is currently in year 2 or year 3 and would like to give netball a go please visit [www.midsussexnetball.org.uk](http://www.midsussexnetball.org.uk) and fill in the online "U8 & U9 taster session form"

We look forward to meeting you soon

Any queries, please contact us

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