

Summer 2 – June 2018

Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope you all had an enjoyable half-term holiday. It certainly went very quickly!

This will be a very busy final half-term with lots going on! Year 6 will be going on the school journey to the Isle of Wight between 9th and 13th July. Please could Year 6 parents ensure that they have filled in all the various forms and returned them to me.

I was very pleased to be able to accompany Year 3 on a trip to see Regent's Park mosque on Monday as part of their learning about the religions of the world. It certainly is an impressive building and the inside of the dome is beautiful. Trips such as these are very important because they build on the learning the children are doing in class and they enhance their cultural knowledge.

I was also very pleased that we held a special French assembly. It was good to hear all the various French songs that the children have been learning in class. We also welcomed the French theatre company, who performed *Le château*, which the children thoroughly enjoyed.

I will be holding my next coffee morning on Wednesday 27th June. As before, the parent governors will also be in attendance so that we can answer any questions that you might have. In the meantime, please come up to me in the playground if you have any other queries.

Please remember to ensure that your child has the proper school jumper or cardigan with the red trim and Millbank tick for September. Order them now if your child needs a new jumper.

Best wishes,

Dr Matthew Laban
Headteacher



Join us for an afternoon of family fun, 2pm-4:30pm! Food donations and volunteers needed and greatly appreciated. Please speak to a member of the PTA and see how you can help out. Sign up sheets will be available in front of the office next week. Let's come together and share a day filled with fun and laughter.



Sports Day

On Monday 16th July will be our KS1 & KS2 Sports Day. The event will take place at Vincent Square which is only a short walk from the school.

KS1 events will run from 9:30am until 11:45am

KS2 events will run from 1pm-3pm

For further information and questions please see Mr McIlroy, PE Coordinator.

On Wednesday 4th July at 2pm will be our Early Years Sports Day. The event will take place at school in the Main Playground.

For further information and questions please see the Early Years Teaching team.

E-safety tip of the month

Fortnite: Battle Royale

Many parents will be aware of the game 'Fortnite: Battle Royale', one of the most popular online games currently. It has received some attention in the press due to its content, and for some of the risks it may pose with regard to young people connecting with strangers online, and amount of time spent playing the game.



About the game:

- **Fortnite: Battle Royale is a multiplayer action survival game**
In the game, 100 players are dropped onto an island with a constantly-shrinking "safe zone." There are weapons scattered all over the island which are used to kill other players. The goal is to be the last person standing at the end.
- **The age rating for this game is 12+**
- **You need to create an account**
In order to play Fortnite you have to create an account. To create this account you need to provide an email address (which you will have to verify) and display/user name. However you are not asked your age in order to create an account.
- **You are playing against other players**
As Fortnite is an online game, you will play against players of different ages from across the world, through voice or text chat. You **cannot** turn text chat off or choose who you play against, but you can disable voice chat in the settings.
- **You can make in game purchases**
Although Battle Royale is free to play, other aspects of the game are not. There are packs which give you different access to the full game and extensions, bonuses and weapons. These start at £34.99 and go up to £119.99. The game does ask players to make additional in-game purchases whilst playing, though these are not required to play the game.
- **The graphics**
The aim of Fortnite is to defeat other players by fighting against them. It features violence when using weapons such as guns and axes, through cartoon-style animation.

The NSPCC have released some helpful guidance about Fortnite, which you can access from the Net Aware home page at www.net-aware.org.uk/

Uniform

School book bags (£4.00) and PE Kit bags (£3.50) can now be purchased. Please fill in an order form and return to the school office. After your form has been processed, payment can be made via ParentPay. Once full payment has been received your items will be delivered to your child within a couple of days.



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English Speaking Board (ESB)

Please be reminded that Tuesday 12th June (Year 3), Wednesday 13th June (Year 4) and Thursday 14th June (Year 5) have been booked for the ESB assessments.



Year 3

Unless informed otherwise, Year 3 children will be working towards achieving **Junior Grade One**.

Junior 1
10 Minutes

Section 1: Talk
Show and Explain
2 Minutes

Talk about an object, model or game and explain how it works or is used.

Section 2: Speaking
by Heart (not self-
composition)

Own choice
1 Minute
Speak by heart a poem you enjoy. Say the title and the poet's name first and why you like it.

Section 3: Reading
Aloud

2 Minutes
Read a prepared passage of about 100-150 words.
Introduce it saying why you have enjoyed it.

Section 4: Listening
and Responding

Answer questions from the assessor and the group after the talk.

Year 4

Unless informed otherwise, Year 4 children will be working towards achieving **Junior Grade Two**.

Junior 2
11 Minutes

Section 1: Talk
Show and Explain
3 Minutes

Talk about an object, model, picture or piece of equipment in some detail, explaining its importance to you.

Section 2: Speaking
by Heart (not self-
composition)

Own choice
2 Minutes
Speak by heart a poem you enjoy. Say the title and the poet's name first and give a detailed reason for your choice.

Section 3: Reading
Aloud

2 Minutes
Prepare 4-5 pages containing dialogue from a favourite book for the assessor to choose an extract to be read aloud.
Introduce it saying which character you would like to meet.

Section 4: Listening
and Responding

Answer questions after any of your sections. Listen to others and join in with questions and comments.

Year 5

Unless informed otherwise, Year 5 children will be working towards achieving **Junior Grade Three**.

Junior 3
12 Minutes

Section 1: Explaining
How
3 Minutes

Talk about something you have achieved, made, grown or learned about. Use visual aids to support your talk. Cue cards may be used if necessary.

Section 2: Speaking
by Heart (not self-
composition)

Own choice
2 Minutes
Introduce and present a memorised poem or drama extract with reasons for your choice.

Section 3: Reading
Aloud

2 Minutes
Prepare 6-12 pages containing dialogue from a favourite book for the assessor to choose an extract to be read aloud.
Place the extract in the context of the story.

Section 4: Listening
and Responding

Answer questions after any of your sections. Listen responsively, ask questions and join in with discussion

How You Can Help

Please continue to encourage your child to:

- Introduce the poem and recite it with enthusiasm, changes in voice, actions and gestures (Section 1)
- introduce the talk and then speak fluently about the object making sure that he or she engages with an audience (Section 2)
- introduce his or her reading and then to read aloud from the book with expression (Section 3)
- Time should also be taken to ask your child questions about the talk (Section 4)

Thank you for your help in preparing your child for the ESB examinations. Parental support is crucial.

New school year dates

Nursery and Reception will begin on Monday 10th September.

Year 1-6 will begin on Tuesday 4th September.

Family holidays outside of these dates will be unauthorised and you may be at risk of a Penalty Notice issued by the Local Authority

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School Closed/ Holidays



Teacher Training Day



Term 1
4th Sep – 19th Oct



Term 2
30th Oct – 21st Dec



Term 3
8th Jan- 15th Feb



Term 4
25th Feb – 5th Apr



Term 5
23rd Apr – 24th May



Term 6
3rd Jun – 19th Jul

Summer Parent Progress Meetings

Parent progress meetings will need to be booked in advanced via sign-up sheets located: Early Years in the EY Hall, KS1 in the Centre Block and KS2 in the bottom hall of the Main Building. Sign-up sheets will be displayed from Monday 25th June.

Nursery	Tuesday 10 th July 8:00am-5:30pm	EY Meeting rooms
Reception Red & Blue	Wednesday 11 th July 8:00am-5:30pm	EY Meeting rooms
Year 1 Red & Blue	Thursday 12 th July 8:00am-5:30pm	EY Meeting rooms
Year 2 Red & Blue	Monday 9 th July 8:00am-5:30pm	EY Meeting rooms
Year 3 Blue	Friday 6 th July 3:15pm-5:30pm History, Geography, French	Top Hall, Main Building
Year 3 Red	Friday 13 th July 3:15pm-5:30pm Geography, French	Top Hall, Main Building
Year 4 Blue	Thursday 5 th July 3:15pm-5:30pm Mathematics, English, Music	Top Hall, Main Building
Year 4 Red	Tuesday 17 th July 3:15pm-5:30pm Mathematics, English, Music	Top Hall, Main Building
Year 5 Blue	Wednesday 11 th July 3:15pm-5:30pm Science, Art	Top Hall, Main Building
Year 5 Red	Thursday 12 th July 3:15pm-5:30pm Science, History, Art	Top Hall, Main Building

Commando Joe



This term has seen a change in the children that have been taking part in the Commando Joe sessions, in order to allow the other half of the school to be involved with our Character Education programme. We have been following adventurers such as Tim Peake, Ernest Shackleton, Nancy Wake, Bear Grylls and Samuel Pepys.

The children have been brilliant. They have designed space suits, put out the great fire of London and even discovered what it was like to be an SOE agent in WWII.

Each week has seen more and more children being awarded a Commando Joe sticker, making it harder and harder to chose just one example recipient of the CJ Bear. So if your child comes home with a furry little friend one week, be proud because you know they did something very special.

Kind regards,
Commando Joe

<https://commandojoes.co.uk/>

Upcoming Dates and Events

June

Monday 4th June, 8:55am- First day of Term 6/Summer 1

Monday 11th June-Friday 15th June- Year 1 Phonics Screening

Monday 11th June, Year 5 and 6 tri-golf tournament

Tuesday 12th June- Year 3 ESB Assessment

Wednesday 13th June- Year 4 ESB Assessments

Wednesday 13th June, 9:15am- Reception & Nursery information sessions for new parents

Thursday 14th June- Year 5 ESB Assessments

Tuesday 19th June, Year 3 Tower of London trip

Tuesday 19th June, Year 2 Blue Wagamamas trip

Wednesday 20th June, Year 2 Red Wagamamas trip

Wednesday 20th June, 9:15am- Reception & Nursery settling-in sessions for new parents and children

Wednesday 20th June, 7pm- Year 4 and the choir Pimlico Musical Foundation concert, St Gabriel's Church

Thursday 21st June 9:10am- Clubs Assembly

Tuesday 26th June, Girls London Youth Games cricket tournament

Wednesday 27th June, Girls London Youth Games cricket tournament

Wednesday 27th June- Group of Year 6 children visiting Oxford University

Wednesday 27th June, 9:15am- Reception & Nursery settling-in sessions for new parents and children

Wednesday 27th June, 9:00am- Parent Coffee Morning

Friday 29th June, 2pm- Summer Fete

July

Wednesday 4th July, 2pm- Early Years Sports Day

Thursday 5th July-Tuesday 17th July- Parent progress meetings, please see previous page for specific dates

Monday 9th – Friday 13 July, Year 6 residential

Monday 16th July- KS1 & KS2 Sports day

Tuesday 17th July- Year 2 Hyde Park trip

Wednesday 18th July- Academic reports will be sent home

Wednesday 18th July 2:00pm – Year 6 end of year performance

Thursday 19th July 9:15pm – Year 6 leavers assembly

Friday 20th July- Last day of term, 1pm finish