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New Term

Welcome back – we hope you all had a lovely and relaxing Easter holiday. Wasn't the weather lovely? This is the start of the final term for this school year, commonly called the Summer Term. In the next few weeks, leading up to the long summer holiday, there will be lots of things happening at the school, so please keep a regular check on the newsletter (including the diary dates) and notice boards. Letters, more often than not, are now sent out by electronic means only. If you would prefer a paper copy, please pop in and let Mrs Waight know as she will be happy to arrange this for you. For communication purposes, it is very important that we are kept up to date of any changes to home and e-mail addresses and telephone numbers.

Newcomb Cup – Spring Term 2017

This highly prestigious award was giving to Frances Welsh at the end of the spring term. She has been a valuable asset to our school ever since joining in Nursery. Over the years, she has set a shining example to the other children; she has tried her very best in all lessons, worked exceptionally hard and has made amazing progress. In addition to her academic success, she is always polite and kind with a sunny disposition. There can be little doubt that Frances thoroughly deserves this recognition.

Excellence in Writing – Spring Term 2017

Prior to the Easter holiday, we were proud to announce the winners of the spring term 2017 Excellence in Writing awards. In Class 1, Isla Eldridge won the award. Isla wrote an instructional text based on 'Shh. We have a plan' by Chris Haughton. Her writing included subheadings, lists and other features of this genre. Sylvie Combes was the winner in Class 2 for an excellent piece of writing with accuracy and showing imagination. In Class 3, the award was presented to Fynn Rushman who wrote a newspaper report based on 'Tuesday' by David Wiesner. There was a journalistic style apparent in his writing through his use of the passive voice, indirect speech and formal tone. All of these winning pieces of writing are on display opposite the children's entrance in the school. Well done to all three winners who all received a much deserved £5 book voucher, kindly donated by the Boodhun family.

School Uniform Sale

Good quality second-hand school uniform will be on sale, either in the school hall or on the playground, today and tomorrow. Please feel free to have a look through these dresses, shirts, shorts etc and see if anything might be suitable for your growing child/ren. If you wish to buy some clothes, please simply drop £1 per item into the school office.

PSD Morning & After School Sports Clubs

Details of the sports clubs for this term have been sent out this week. The Tuesday morning football club will start on 2nd May and the Monday clubs will begin the following week. It should be remembered that Monday 1st May is a Bank Holiday so the school will be closed.

Lunchtime Sports Clubs with PSD

The lunchtime sports clubs (football and girls' multi-sports) will re-commence next week. A letter with details has been sent out this week. If your child would like to participate in any of these lunchtime clubs, please make sure you have made the necessary payment on the SchoolMoney system by first thing Monday morning.

Bag2School

Please note that the next Bag2School collection from the school will take place on Tuesday 13th June. If you are planning a bit of a clear out before then, please bear this in mind! Bags will be sent home soon.

Next Week

On Wednesday next week (26th April), the Year 2 children will be attending a dance workshop at Birchwood High School. The letter with full information about this event was sent home yesterday. If your child is in Class 2, please make sure you are aware of the all the details.

On Friday next week (28th April), selected children in Year 6 will be visiting the Genetics Department at Queen Mary University in London. Departure for this trip will be promptly at 7.45 am from Albury, so children should be at school at 7.40 am at the very latest. A Teachers2Parents e-mail with full timings of departure and return was sent out yesterday. If you haven't received this information, please speak to Mrs Waight.

Hatfield Forest

During this half term, all the children will be visiting Hatfield Forest again to enjoy the delights of this beautiful ancient woodland. Dates of the visits are included in the diary dates below – please note the change of dates for the KS1 and EYFS visits. For all these trips, as before, we will be asking parents to organise transport for their own children to and from the forest.

Diary Dates for the Summer Term 2017 – PLEASE CHECK DATES WEEKLY FOR ANY ADDITIONS AND CHANGES

APRIL 2017	
Friday 21 st April	9.30 am – PSD Girls' Football Festival for selected girls from Years 5 & 6.
Friday 21 st April	KS2 Swimming re-commences.
Friday 21 st April	6.30 – 10.30 pm – Pamper Night – Friends' fundraising event.
Wednesday 26 th April	1.20 – 4.30 pm – Year 2 Dance Workshop at Birchwood High School.
Friday 28 th April	Year 6 visit to Queen Mary University Genetics Department.
MAY 2017	
Monday 1 st May	May Bank Holiday – school closed.
w/c 8 th May	SATs week.
Thursday 11 th May	Year 3 & 4 visit to Hatfield Forest.
Friday 12 th May	Year 1 & 2 visit to Hatfield Forest – **PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE**
Thursday 8 th May	9.45 am – Year 6 Crucial Crew.
Friday 19 th May	Pre-school & EYFS visit to Hatfield Forest - **PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE**
Saturday 20 th May	7 pm – Quiz & Curry Night – Friends' fundraising event.
Thursday 25 th May	Year 5 & 6 visit to Hatfield Forest.
Friday 26 th May	2 pm – School finishes for the half term holiday.