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Key dates

- Thursday 1st May—We are in school
- Thursday 1st May—Year 3 school trip
- Thursday 1st May—Year 6 Girls football competition
- Friday 2nd May—Year 5/6 Tri Golf competition
- Monday 5th—Bank holiday Monday
- Tuesday 6th—Year 2 school trip
- Friday 9th—Cultural visit for Year 2 and Year 6
- Friday 9th—Year 2 Track and field event
- Friday 9th—Year 6 gym competition
- Monday 12th—Thursday 15th—Year 6 SATs
- Tuesday 13th—Reception school trip
- Friday 16th—Year 3/4 boys county finals
- Monday 19th—Work of the half term assembly
- Tuesday 20th—Wednesday 21st —Year 4 Keppleway residential
- Tuesday 20th—Year 3 Tri Golf competition
- Wednesday 21st —Year 3/4 Girls County Finals
- Wednesday 21st—Vision checks for Reception
- Wednesday 21st—National Numeracy day
- Thursday 22nd—Sports Day—Reception to Year 6
- Friday 23rd—Sports mornings for Pre School and Nursery
- Friday 23rd—Year 5/6 Tri Golf competition

| <u>Class</u> | <u>Attendance</u> |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| Nursery (Purple) | 96% |
| Reception (Orange) | 97% |
| Year 1 (Red) | 97% |
| Year 2 (Yellow) | 96% |
| Year 3 (Green) | 98% |
| Year 4 (Pink) | 97% |
| Year 5 (Blue) | 97% |
| Year 6 (Turquoise) | 94% |
| Whole school | 96% |

Please do contact us by phone if you are reporting any illnesses (01229 828348).

What lovely weather we are having to welcome us back for the new term. I hope you had a great Easter break. It has been great to see our children outside enjoying our field as we look forward to an exciting term ahead.

Value of the half term

Our value for this half term is **resilience**. We have lots of different events going on in school where children will be working on their resilience this half term.

Summer uniform

Thank you for taking note of the changes to the summer uniform. The slight changes were taken in consideration for the amount of uniform that families had to purchase, therefore if you have already purchased the white polo and skirt combination for Key Stage 2 girls then this will be allowed this academic year. Please note that this will be reviewed next year though. Children must be in black shoes rather than white pumps.

As it is very hot weather at the moment, please can you make sure your child has had suncream applied (or brings it to school to apply themselves) and has a named water bottle and sun hat in school.

Ice Pop Friday

Please note that every Friday children will be able to purchase Ice Pops as a snack. These will cost 20p and are available from Reception to Year 6.

Social Media

As a school we will always consider and listen to our parents and ask you to address any concerns you have with us rather than on social media.

Leaving school

I have asked the children to not ride their bike or scooter in the playground at the end of the day. Last week a bike was rode into one of our younger children. Please can you also reinforce this with your children. Can I also ask that children do not climb up the grass banking in the car park, this is for their own safety.

SATs

Our Year 6 have been working incredibly hard over the recent months preparing for their End of Key Stage 2 assessments. These will take place from Monday 12th—Thursday 15th May. Mr Reid will be in touch with Year 6 parents regarding the changes in the next week.

Please note that our Year 2 optional SATs will take place but at the usual termly assessment periods.

The Year 1 phonics screening and Year 4 multiplication tables check will take place after half term.

Welcome to our Reception 2025

Over Easter, parents have been made aware of their Reception place allocation. We would like to welcome parents new and old to our school. A meeting next half term will be held with parents of our Reception starters.

Work of the half term

Our work of the half term assembly will take place Monday 19th. As always, our Reception—Year 2 (with some of Nursery) assembly will take place at 9 a.m. and our Year 3—Year 6 assembly will take place at 2:40 p.m.

Sports Day

Our Sports Day for Reception to Year 6 will take place on Thursday 22nd May with parent invited to the track events in the afternoon. The time will be confirmed via dojo next week.

Pre-School and Nursery Sports morning will take place on Friday 23rd May in their own playground. Parents do not attend for this age however pictures will be posted to Tapestry.

Residential payments

With many of trips taking place we will be contacting those who currently have outstanding payments. As always, as a school we offer a great amount of financial support to funding trips and will always look to help as much as we can.

Many thanks,

