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Welcome Back & the Term Ahead

Dear Parents,

Welcome back! I hope that you have had a lovely Easter break with friends and family.

Thank you for the kind words that you have shared with me following my announcement that I will be leaving at the end of the academic year. The process of recruitment and finding my replacement will begin this term but it may not be until Term 6 that the new headteacher is formerly appointed and announced. We will keep you updated when there is news to share.

For now, we have a great summer of teaching, learning and events to focus on. Here are some reminders and updates about the term ahead:

All children/Tuck Shop:

Please pay £5 through ParentMail so your child does not miss out. This is a Friday treat, so we are expecting the children to have healthy snacks for the rest of the week.

All children/PE days. Note: There isn't any swimming this term

Murphy (Reception): Monday and Forest School on a Friday

Donaldson (Year 1&2): Thursday and Friday. *Note: Children need PE kit on a Friday for karate*

Dahl (Year 3&4): Monday and Wednesday

Morpurgo (Year 4&5): Tuesday and Thursday

Shakespeare (Year 5&6): Tuesday and Wednesday

Many children/Standlake Superstars: Monday to Friday, 7.45-8.45am & 3.15-5.15pm

If you would like your children to attend this wrap-around-care provision you must sign them up by mid-night on Thursday the week before. If you miss this deadline or need a last-minute booking, you will be charged extra. Here is the link for the activities available in the summer term:

https://standlakeschool.co.uk/images/Standlake_Superstars_Timetable_Summer.pdf

For the summer term, we will not be cooking hot teas. Instead, the children will be served sandwiches, wraps, bagels, rolls, pitta breads with fillings, vegetables, fruit and yogurts on different days.

All families/Parking

Please use the church car park for pick-up and drop-offs and do not park in and around local residents' drives, particularly Lincoln Close. It has caused our neighbours a great deal of frustration and upset when their drive is blocked. Thank you.

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Year 6/Bartholomew Transition Day: Thursday 18th April, 9.00-2.30pm

The coach will collect and return the children from and to school.

All children/Bank Holiday: Monday 6th May

Year 1&2/Dance Festival, Bartholomew School: Friday 3rd May, 9.00-11.00am

Year 3&4/Dance Festival, Bartholomew School: Wednesday 8th May, 9.00-11.00am

These festivals will be run at Bartholomew School. All of the children are expected to go to this as part of their school curriculum. We will be asking parents to drop the children off in the morning at the school and will organise a coach to bring them back. *More details will follow.*

All children/Little Loaves Service: Thursday 9th May

This Ascension Day service will take place in St Giles church. Reverend Jo will give a talk about Ascension Day, Mario and Luigi will make an appearance (!) and the children will be presented with fresh little loaves. Family and friends are welcome.

Year 6/SATS Week: Monday 13th to Thursday 16th May

Children will be completing the national Reading (1 paper), Maths (2 papers) and Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar Assessments (1 paper).

All children/Sports Day: Monday 20th May

Nursery and Murphy (Reception) class will be holding their sports day between 9.15-10.30am. The rest of the school will be between 1.30-3.00pm. Parents are welcome to attend.

Some year 5&6 children/EPA Cricket Tournament: Tuesday 21st May

This tournament will take place after school, venue yet to be decided. Selection will be closer to the time and letters will be sent to parents.

Years 1-5/Overnight Camp on the school field: Thursday 23rd May

This is not a compulsory event that children must attend. However, we are keen that families see this as an opportunity for children to start building some resilience and a sense of adventure. *More details will follow.*

All children/Term Ends: Friday 24th May, 3.15pm

Here is to another great term with high expectations, sprinkled with a sense of fun!

Kind regards,

Andrew Denham