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Diary Dates

Wednesday 5th September. First day of Autumn Term.

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CALENDAR FOR DATES/INFORMATION

Goodbye Year 6

Seven years of primary school education comes to an end today for our Year 6 children as they crash out of our gates as the big fish, to become little fish again as they start their new schools. Always a difficult time as the reality begins to sit in, that they're not all together and paths are set to go in different directions. To our Year 6 children and parents, I wish you all the very best, treasure your time at St John's Green and look back in fondness at your memories—both the good and the bad. Good Luck.



Henry Aitken-McKenney, Tobi Akintola, Adam Blezsan, Sam Card, Camron Cattrall, Adam Corani, Holly Dowle, Amanda Dugdale, Ben Everett, Elliott Freeman, Calli Ganley Pintado, Stanley Hobbs, Lily Horgan, Evan Jones, Maliha Khanom, Ella Lovelock, Kate Luney, Mia McQuiston, Leo Morley-Robertson, Selina Otobil, Brooke Rogers, Alfie Sayers, Yasir Slimani, Thomas Stubbings, Lucian Thompkins, Kirsty Turner, Harry Warren, Francesco Wilson-Turco, Philip Wu, Leana Yasin.

At the end of the day, the most overwhelming key to a child's success is the positive involvement of parents.
Jane D. Hull

All Things ICT

As I have mentioned previously we have really struggled with our ICT system over the last few weeks. This has meant that some of our systems including our on-line payment system and some of our communication systems have not worked as effectively as they should or in fact at all in some cases.

Over the summer we are migrating to a new system with a different provider, so hopefully come the Autumn Term we will be up and running smoothly again.

My apologies for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Please remember that today is the last day of the Summer Term.

School starts again on Wednesday 5th September.

08.45 for EYFS, Year 1, Year 5 & 6 at Abbey Field.

09.00 for Year 2, Year 3 & Year 4 at Town.

Earnings

Please remember that earrings have to be removed before children are allowed to learn PE at school.

School staff are not allowed to remove earrings, they can only be removed by the child themselves or for younger children by their parents. We are not allowed to tape over earrings.

If you are planning on having your child's ears pierced over the summer holiday please can you make sure that this happens at the beginning of the holiday, so that their earrings can be removed by you for PE from September.

If they are not able to be removed your child will not be able to do P.E.

This does also include swimming.



14 July - 1 September in all Essex Libraries

There's mischief occurring in Essex Libraries this summer!

The Summer Reading Challenge 2018, which is produced by The Reading Agency and delivered by libraries, is Mischief Makers. Children are being asked to read books and, with the help of Dennis, Granger and other classic Beano characters, find the treasure in Beano town.

By reading or sharing books children will earn stickers (including some special smelly stickers) and if they complete the challenge they will receive a certificate and a medal.

Children aged 10 and over can take part in the ImagineNation 2018 challenge where they can create artworks or write reviews inspired by the books they have read.

For more information go to libraries.essex.gov.uk



Year 6

The end of the Summer Term does very much become about our Year 6 as they prepare to leave us. A host of activities are put on, to ease the burden on us and the year 6 following their SATs.

A trip to see a London Show, a gentle stroll to Highwoods Country Park and back, and crabbing at Wivenhoe.

This Tuesday we had our Year 6 v Staff cricket match. I can't really gloss over this: but the staff were

shocking, being resoundingly beaten 120 runs to 80. An impromptu football match, followed the above, where sadly the staff lost again despite the goal-keeping heroics of Miss Pickard!

Reading Excellence



We continually extol how important reading is to life long learning and how the single biggest impact we can have on our children's futures is reading both to them and with them on a daily basis.

Our children are our future and I would say to all parents, please do not abandon your children over the summer. Spend some time each day reading with them and continuing their learning.

No two ways about it but our Year 5/6 parents have led the way this year.

EYFS - 81.7%

Year 1 - 82%

Year 2 - 96.7%

Year 3 - 83.8%

Year 4 - 94.5%

Year 5 & 6 - 96.7%

School Staffing

We have made a few changes to our school structure going forward into 2018-2019 with some members of staff being promoted to new roles.

SMT-means a member of the Senior Management Team and Phase Leader, CTL means-Curriculum Team Leader and TL means-Team Leader.

(Curriculum Team Leaders and Team Leaders are responsible for the Year Groups)

Teachers

EYFS: Miss Cook (TL), Mrs Scotting, Mrs Palmer.

Year 1: Mrs Smith (SMT), Mr Bates (TL), Mrs Minshall.

Year 2: Miss Pickard (CTL), Miss Bailey, Miss Wiggins

Year 3: Mrs O'Shea (TL), Mrs Rowe, Miss Mitchell

Year 4: Miss Witzendorf (SMT), Miss Kerr (CTL), Miss Stockwell

Year 5: Mrs Wall (TL), Miss Brumpton

Year 6: Miss Gammans (SMT), Miss Salmon (CTL)

Congratulations to those staff who have been promoted and good luck to you in your new roles.

Trusty of Justice

For the 12th year in a row I was again voted for by the year 6 to get an annual soaking at the year 6 leavers BBQ.

Quite where this lack of respect for the Headteacher comes from I have no idea! Also nominated was Miss Gammans, who has never taught the Year 6's. Quite how Miss Salmon wangled the above I'll never know. Mind you, I'm doing the final assembly of the year in about 45 minutes, all about water and centrifugal force—Miss Salmon has very kindly volunteered to help!

PTA

A definite mention here for the school PTA who have supported so many activities this year for our children. They are sending out their own newsletter, so I don't want to steal any thunder, but suffice to say thank you for the events you have organised, for the support for school trips, arts week, some fantastic resources and lots of ice cream!

As the school year comes to an end, don't look back on yesterday's disappointments but look instead to what you can achieve tomorrow.

And Finally,

On behalf of all the staff of St John's Green Primary School, may I take this opportunity to thank you all as parents of children at our school for your support and commitment to both your children and us over the this last year. Your children's individuality and uniqueness is what makes our school such a special place. Also, on behalf of the staff my thanks for your very kind gifts at the end of this term, very generous and very much appreciated.

Wishing you all the very best for the summer

Simon Billings

