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Dear Parents

I can't believe it is half term already. This half term seems to have flown past but the recent good weather has really helped. Sunshine makes us all feel happier!! You should have received the sunny weather guidance earlier in the week – please make sure your child has a sun hat, water bottle and you have applied sun cream before they come to school. But remember, if the weather is changeable, please make sure your child brings a coat.

Let's hope the good weather lasts for half term and we can all enjoy some family activities outside. Have fun, whatever you get up to!!

Road Works in Cherry Tree Close

If you are using SCL holiday club, please note that on Tuesday 30th May, Cherry Tree Close will be closed and you will not be able to access the front of the school. We will open the Parent Car Park on this day so you can park there and walk down the path with your child to Cherry Blossom Hall.

Year R Assembly

Thank you for coming to watch the Year R assembly. We hope you enjoyed it as much as the children enjoyed performing to you. The children were amazing and we are very proud of them. A big thank you to the team of Year R staff who worked so hard to make this happen. There are a few photos on the school website – news and events/photo gallery.

Staffing

There will be quite a few changes to staffing in September. As you know, sadly, Mrs Williams and Mrs Ellis are leaving. Mrs Seal will also be leaving to take up a job nearer to home. We are pleased to say that we have some new staff joining us – Mrs Harper and Mrs Lang and some staff will be moving year groups.

In September:

Daisies – Miss Petty

Poppies – Mrs Lang

Snowdrops – Mrs Gray

Tulips – Miss Spiller

Sunflowers – Mrs Harper

Bluebells – Mrs Powell (Mon, Tues, Wed) & Mrs Sayles (Thurs, Fri)

Daffodils - Mrs Bowyer

Mrs Read will continue to cover in classes on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

All children will be visiting their new class on the morning of Thursday 6th July. The children will come home with a note on that day so that you know which class they are in and all the staff in that class.

Parent Car Park

From after half term, please be aware that the parent car park may not be opened until 8am on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. If you need to drop at breakfast club before 8am on these days, please use the Staff Car park and walk round through the red gate, using the code. Please could you make sure you reverse in, if you park in the Staff car park for the safety of any other parents and children who may be using the car park. Thank you for your understanding with this.

Message from FOPS

Colour Run - 2nd July

Thank you to everyone who has purchased Colour Run tickets so far - we have already sold out for the first wave! But don't worry, there are still plenty of tickets left! Book online at www.pta-events.co.uk/fops1.

We are currently looking for unwanted teddies and soft toys that we can use in our Teddy Grabber game at the event - please see attached poster, and thank you in advance for any help with this.

After half term we will be sending home details about our raffle tickets, mufti day and sponsorship forms in the lead up to the Colour Run - please keep your eyes peeled for posters and emails! You can also follow us on Facebook or Instagram for regular updates:

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/groups/parsonageFops/?ref=share group link

Instagram: https://instagram.com/fops_parsonagefarm?igshid=NTc4MTlwNjQ2YQ==

Donuts for Dads

Don't forget to pre-order your Krispy Kreme donuts for collection on the 16th June - just in time for Father's Day!

Order by 8th June at http://www.pta-events.co.uk/fops1

Parent Questionnaire

You should have received an email yesterday with a link to a Parent Questionnaire that the Governors have put together. Please do try and find time to fill this in for us – we can't make changes or improve things if you don't tell us. I have put the link below again in case you missed the email.

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=D39aDZFalkKs27w8KDQn-bWRtmxScEFPrB2SnYf1kHNURVY3NIQxVVhPUFhYUUE2MTBWSjFTUDY2Vy4u

Walk to School Week Mon 15th – Fri 19th May

Thank you to everyone who walked to school last week – or at least part of the way. The children were proud of their certificates for this.

<u>Parking</u> <u>Chestnut Tree Grove</u>

Thank you to everyone for listening to our neighbours concerns and being more considerate about parking in Chestnut Tree Grove. The residents have reported that things have been much better over the last 2 weeks. Thank you.

Parent Governor Vacancy

We have a Parent Governor vacancy and I sent out a letter last week with more information. The closing date for applications if Wednesday 7th June. If you would like more information, please contact myself or James Hawkins (chair.governors@parsonagefarm.hants.sch.uk). And if you would like an application form, please contact the school office. Thank you.

SCL

SCL have recently informed us that from September, they will be focusing on the childcare/wrap around and holiday club part of their business and no longer providing separate sports clubs. So we are currently looking at options for after school clubs next year. Dance will still continue but we are looking at other options for Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. These do not have to be physical activities, so if you have any good suggestions/providers to contact, please let us know. One of the questions on the Parent Questionnaire asks about this so you could include your suggestions there. Thank you.

Parents as Partners Back To Basics

Would you be interested in understanding a little more about how to manage well being within the home? It is about helping parents feel better equipped to support their child's well being in the home. On Friday 23rd June from 10-11am, the Local Authority will be holding a meeting (venue to be confirmed but locally) to test out some materials and resources that they have put together. They are looking for a group of parents to give feedback and find out which materials are most supportive. It will also be an opportunity to network with other parents. If you would be interested in attending this session, please let me know as soon as possible and I will let the organiser know – places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Reminders

• Please can you make sure that your children do not wear sliders, crocs or open toed sandals to school as these are not safe, especially when the children are playing in the outside area and on the adventure playground.

Sorry that the newsletter is quite long and I am also aware that I have sent several other emails over the past couple of weeks. All of a sudden, there just seems a lot of information to share with you. Please do ask if you do not understand anything or need help completing anything.

Have a great half term.

Miss Greenway

Dates for Diaries

Mon 29th May – Fri 2nd June Half Term

Wed 7th June Yr 1 Trip to Wellington Country Park
Fri 16th June Krispie Kreme donuts for Dads

Tues 20th June am- Yr 1 Assembly

Thurs 22nd June Yr 2 Trip to Beale Wildlife Park and Gardens

Tues 27th June Yr R Trip to Birdworld

Fri 30th June 9-9.30am/2.40 – 3.15pm Book Viewing

Sunday 2nd July 11am – 3pm FOPS Colour Run & Summer Fair

Fri 7th July INSET DAY (SCL running if enough children)

Fri 14th July am Sports Day

2.20pm Rock Steady Concert

Wed 19th July am Yr 2 Leavers Assembly

pm Yr 2 Leavers Disco

Fri 21st July 1.15pm School Finishes

Friday 1st Sept INSET DAY (SCL NOT running)

Mon 30th Oct INSET DAY