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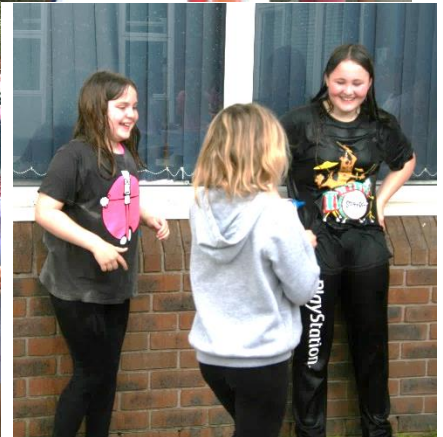
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Friday 19th May 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fantastic, fun-filled afternoon Year 6 treated us to on Friday!

After much preparation, along with some highly persuasive advertising around the school, Enterprise Day was thrust upon us, with the forecast for some wet weather. Well, despite many year 6s being drenched, it wasn't the weather that was responsible, rather some strategically placed water guns and buckets!





All the stalls were fantastic and unique in their own way, which showed how ingenious and independent our year 6s are. They all seemed to make lots of money, which suggests that we have a cohort of budding entrepreneurs too!

A massive thank you to you as parents for supporting this annual rite of passage and to my wonderful staff team for helping and encouraging our children along the way.

These last two weeks have seen our Waterlooville Library visits take a new turn. This term, we have been inviting those prolific readers in each year group to say a massive well done for all the reading they have been doing and logging at home. They have been treated to hot chocolate and cookies, as well as some interesting stories and some dubious karaoke singing along the way!

Please carry on supporting your children at home with their reading, as we hope to do another round of library visits after half-term.



A big thank you to Renee in Year 3 for inspiring us with our latest venture, 'Litter Critters'. We hope to be starting next week, a civic minded group of litter pickers to help keep our playground neat and tidy of litter. Our modern 'wombles' will be led initially by Renee as our founder. They will be immediately identifiable through their bright orange bibs.



School Council have been busy and I look forward to sharing with you their ideas for inspiring us 'to be the best that we can be'. Work is in progress and it is very exciting.

Well done if you were able to take advantage of the good weather and walk to school this week. Well done also, if you decided to park further away from school in order to take part in the walk to school challenge.



<https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/our-work/public-engagement/mental-health-awareness-week>

Everyone's mental health is important. This year's Mental Health Awareness Week is focussed upon anxiety. Our own school ELSAs work tirelessly with children in a variety of ways, some of which is helping children overcome their anxieties. Our Ocean Club, Nest provision and expanded ELSA provision are all ways in which we try and help children reduce their anxiety. We hope to train two more ELSAs in the next round of annual training in September to add to our team.



PTA: HELP REMINDER!

Please remember to sign up for a helper slot for the Summer Fair on Saturday 10th June please using this [FORM](#). In the meantime, thank you all so, so much for your generous donations of toys and chocolate!



PTA Summer term Save the dates

ICE POP SALES (EVERY FRIDAY)
FROM 12TH MAY
SUMMER FAYRE GAMES
TICKETS SALES 19/26TH MAY
SUMMER FAYRE 10TH JUNE
SUMMER QUIZ 30TH JUNE
SCHOOL DISCO 3RD JULY
SUMMER CHALLENGE (MORE
DETAILS TO FOLLOW)

Wishing you a great week.
Kind regards,

A. Clarke

Mr Andy Clarke
Head Teacher

SENT THIS WEEK:

- Year 4 Multiplication Table Check letter (taking place at school in June)
- School nursing information
- Lost property – please do stop by the front entrance to check the lost property next week.
- INSET 2023-24 dates sent

NEXT WEEK: We will share details of the Year 6 performance dates etc

REMINDERS:

- Upper School science trip to Paultons Park: **Wednesday 7th June** – please complete the online booking form to give permissions [HERE](#) if not already done.



CALENDAR (new additions will appear in red & * indicates more details to follow):

| MAY | |
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| w/c 29 th | Half term week – we break up normal time on Friday |
| JUNE | |
| 7 th | Upper School Paultons Park Trip – 5pm return |
| 9 th | Year 3 cake donations please – plates to be issued before half term |
| 10 th | Saturday – 12-3pm PTA SUMMER FAIR |
| 21 st | Wednesday – Lower School Egyptian Day* |
| 22 nd | PANTALOONS 6pm – tickets can be booked HERE |
| 26 th | INSET day |
| JULY | |
| 7 th | 1st choice SPORTS DAY* |
| 14 th | Back up SPORTS DAY |
| 21 st | LAST DAY OF TERM – early finish 1.30pm with Leavers Arch created from 1.15pm |




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on Monday 22nd May

This is a drop-in event, so come along anytime between **9:00am and 1:00pm**
to chat to one of the SCITT team.

You'll find us at the main entrance of the school – we'd love to meet you!

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ALL SAINTS Holiday Club

Tuesday 8th - Friday 11th August
9:30am - 12:30pm

School Years R-6 | Pre-registration required*

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