24th April 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

The Summer term has arrived and it is lovely to see the children settling back in and enjoying the sunnier weather. We have a busy term ahead so please keep hold of the diary dates at the bottom of the letter.

**School Uniform and PE kits**

School jumpers and cardigans are available to buy in the school office at £10. Red Summer dresses can be worn by the girls if they wish and are available in most supermarkets. PE kits must be in school for the children to get changed into as PE lessons started last week. PE kit is a white t-shirt, dark shorts and pumps or trainers.

**Lunchtime Menu**

The new menu with more child-friendly meals has been a great success, with lots more children choosing a school meal each day. The cost will remain at £2.30 a day and children can still choose to opt in for particular days if they wish. We are hoping the new menus will get even more children to have a school dinner. Each day there will be a hot meal and a selection of wraps, rolls and baguettes on offer. The new Menu is again attached to this letter. This week is week 2 of the menu.

**SATs**

The week commencing 8th May is SAT week for Year 6 pupils across the country. It is very important that all of Year 6 are in school this week. We keep SAT week very low key and try to make it as stress free as possible. If we feel your child is not at the standard to access the tests then they do not let them sit them. All our children at Orrets Meadow are making fantastic progress from their baselines, both academically and socially and emotionally, so it is important for everyone to remember this as SAT week takes place.

**Barnstondale**

The year 6 residential is quickly approaching. All final payments must be paid by Friday 19th May so we can pay Barnstondale. Kit list, health forms and parent permission forms will all be sent out the first week in May and must be returned to school as soon as possible.

**Swimming**

The week commencing 15th May classes 3,6 and 7 are going swimming at Leasowe Recreational Centre every afternoon for half an hour. The following week classes 2 and 5 are going swimming. Children will require a suitable swimming costume/trunks and a towel. If you do not wish your child to go swimming then please let us know. However, the National Curriculum aims for all children to be able to swim 25m by the time they leave KS2.

**Dates for the Diary**

24th April ICT Day – all classes

25th April Football competition – Y5/6 @ Woodchurch High

26th April Inline skating, scooters and cycling @ Claremount

1st May Bank Holiday – school closed

5th May ICT Day –classes 4,5

8th May SAT week – Year 6

11th May Run, Jump, Throw @ Claremount

12th May Everton Football coaching – all classes @ OM

w/c 15th May Swimming – classes 3, 6, 7

17th May 9.30 Parent coffee morning – ADHD Foundation

19th May Football skills - Everton

w/c 22nd May Swimming –classes 2 and 5

23rd May Boccia competition @ Woodchurch High

**29th May–2nd June Half Term holiday**

5th June School Inset day – School closed

6th June School opens for the final Summer half term

Thanks for your continued support - Mrs Duncan