24th April 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

The Summer Term has arrived. We have lots of exciting activities planned for this term, including our Year 6 Residential trip, Sports Day and Summer Fair. Let’s hope the sun keeps shining!

**SATS**

Some pupils in Year 6 are being entered for SATs. The national tests take place the week commencing Mon 14th May. The tests will be administered with as least stress as possible. Please make sure your child is in school this week. Any problems then please speak to your classteacher.

**Photo Letter**

Photo consent letters have been sent out to you. Please will you fill the letter in and return it to school with how you consent for your child’s photo to be used. The letter must be returned for every child. This consent is part of new GDPR regulations which come into force the end of May.

**Trip Letters**

For your child to attend a trip we must have parental consent. Please can you make sure you return and sign trip letters. If no consent is given, your child will unfortunately have to stay at school.

**PE Kit**

Please make sure your child has their PE kit in school. The kit should contain a white t-shirt, dark shorts and pumps or trainers.

**Barnstondale**

Year 6 residential trip is Wednesday 6th June to Friday 8th May. Parents **MUST** arrange their own transport to take their child to Barnstondale for 9.30am on the Wednesday and to pick up their child at 3.30pm on the Friday.

Consent forms have been sent home and must be returned to school as soon as possible. Medical forms will be sent home shortly.

Remaining money owed **MUST** be paid to school by **Friday 18th May**. Unfortunately if the full amount is not paid by this date then your child will not be able to go. Please contact school if there are any problems.

Please do not bring mobile phones or expensive equipment to Barnstondale. It may get lost or broken. Old clothes should be taken on the residential. Please do not buy anything new as it may get dirty, lost or torn.

**Sun Care**

On sunny days can you please make sure your child brings to school a sun hat. Sun cream should be applied before school, in the morning, by a parent. If sun cream needs to be reapplied at lunchtime, can you send a bottle into school with your child’s name on it. It is preferable that your child applies it themselves, however if they will struggle with this, then a member of staff will apply it for them.

**Slippers**

Slippers can be worn by pupils in school if they find this more comfortable. Some children find wearing slippers helps them improve their learning.

**PTA**

The next PTA meeting, to plan the Summer Fair, will be on Tuesday 8th May at 4pm. All welcome. If your child needs to stay at school please let the school office know.

**Thumbs Up Coffee Morning**

Wednesday 2nd May, 9.30 am – 11.30am, Thumbs Up Sue is leading the coffee morning on

* Parents’ well-being in relation to your child
* Importance of you as the parent
* Mindfulness
* Building resilience as a parent/carer

Parents who attend the courses say how valuable they are in meeting other parents with SEND children and they give them an opportunity for a chat too. All parents/carers are welcome. Please return the reply slip to the school office if you are attending.

**Dates for the Diary**

w/c 23rd April Parents/Carers Meetings with your class teacher

25th April Class 5 trip to Port Sunlight

1st May Class 2 trip to West Kirby

2nd May 9.30-11.30am -Thumbs Up Coffee Morning

4th May OM v Sandbrook Football Match

8th May 9.30 – 11.30am –Speech and Language Coffee Morning

w/c 14th May Year 6 SAT week

18th May Om v Sandbrook Cricket Match

w/c 21st May Keeping Health and Safe Week at OM

28th May-1st June Half Term

Mon 4th June Staff Development Day – school closed

5th June School opens

6th – 8th June Barnstondale for Y6

11th – 12th June Making Bread – All classes

13th June Healthy Lifestyles coffee morning – Mr Saul

14th June Class & start a 5 week Archery course

15th June OM v Sandbrook Football match

w/c18th June Swimming lessons every day – Classes 4,5,6,7 (Y6)

w/c 25th June Swimming lessons – children to be decided

20th June Caritas Shrewsbury Coffee Morning

22nd + 29th June Bikeability – Y6 – make sure your child has a bike and helmet.

3rd July Class 3 trip to Bidston and Tam O Shanter

6th July 10am Sports Day – all parents/carers welcome

10th July DT Day – all classes – Materials

11th July Induction Day – meet new teacher/ Y6 go to new school for day

13th July Y5/6 Football Festival @ Lingham

16th July Class 3 trip to Liverpool Museum and Apple Shop

19th July Reports out to parents

20th July 1pm -End of term assembly/ Leavers’ assembly

Summer Fair follows assembly

24th July School closes for Summer holidays at 3.30pm

5th Sept School opens for new school year (3rd +4th Staff Inset days)

Lots more activities and trips are yet to be added to the calendar. Please check the school website calendar if you lose this letter.

Thank you for your continued support - Mrs Duncan