

The Flourish Federation

NEWSLETTER— April 2018

Keeping in touch, diary dates & reminders

Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome back to Term 5, I hope you all had a lovely Easter break despite the gloomy weather; however, the sun has shone to make our return to school a happier one!

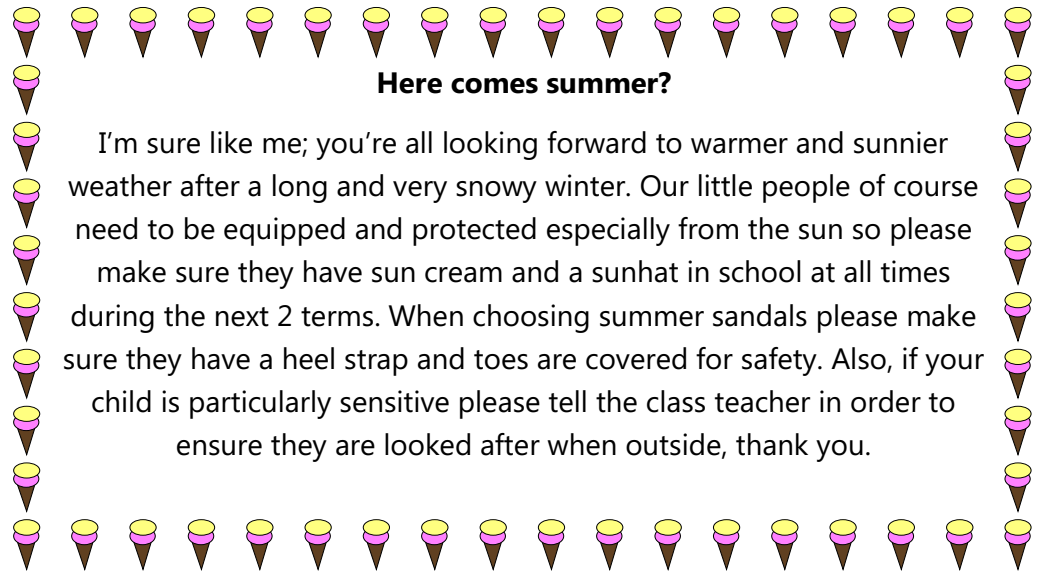
During this term, Years 2 and 6 will be assessed in their SATs tests and it's important that unless they are unwell, they attend school regularly and on time as their teachers prepare them to achieve their full potential in these important assessments.

Also, can I please remind you that any requests for holidays in school time will only be authorised if there are special circumstances involved. As I mention often, affordability is not a circumstance that I can usually consider as we all, unfortunately and unfairly, have to pay more for breaks during school holiday time.

Mr South is settling into his role as head of school in the juniors and as he too has a teaching commitment, I will be in the junior school for most mornings. There should always be a member of the senior leadership team available, should you need to speak with us as we value our relationship with you greatly.

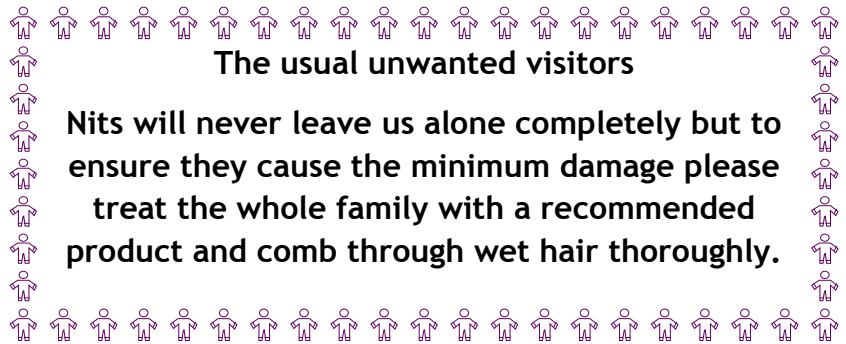


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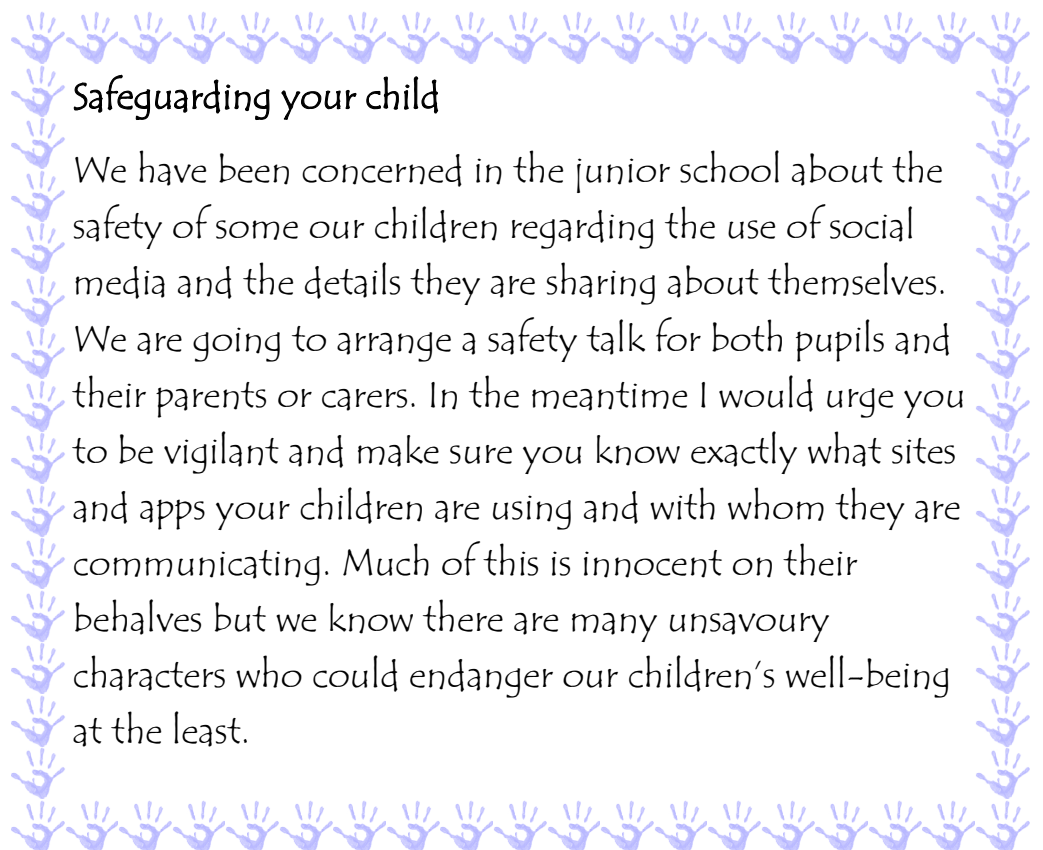
Here comes summer?

I'm sure like me; you're all looking forward to warmer and sunnier weather after a long and very snowy winter. Our little people of course need to be equipped and protected especially from the sun so please make sure they have sun cream and a sunhat in school at all times during the next 2 terms. When choosing summer sandals please make sure they have a heel strap and toes are covered for safety. Also, if your child is particularly sensitive please tell the class teacher in order to ensure they are looked after when outside, thank you.



The usual unwanted visitors

Nits will never leave us alone completely but to ensure they cause the minimum damage please treat the whole family with a recommended product and comb through wet hair thoroughly.



Safeguarding your child

We have been concerned in the junior school about the safety of some of our children regarding the use of social media and the details they are sharing about themselves. We are going to arrange a safety talk for both pupils and their parents or carers. In the meantime I would urge you to be vigilant and make sure you know exactly what sites and apps your children are using and with whom they are communicating. Much of this is innocent on their behalfs but we know there are many unsavoury characters who could endanger our children's well-being at the least.

RED TED



Says.....

Remember Infant school trips in July
need to be paid by Friday 25th May.

Reading at home

Well done to so many of you who read regularly at home with your child and abide by the RED TED code! Lots of children are now receiving RED TED book prizes for reading in excess of 200 times! Our "RED TED living library" is looking wonderful and we would be very happy to receive new book donations. Watch out for a special opening event in the near future.

Football Success!

The Federation football club is gathering momentum! With the introduction of Year 1 and 2 clubs last term, we now offer FA football coaching every day of the week.

5 children have been progressed from Year 1 to train with the advanced Year 2's on a Friday.

10 children from Year's 4 and 5 were selected to attend the BSA district trials recently and we are delighted that they have all made it through to the second phase of the selection process. Well done!

Dates for your diaries in term 5

23/04/2018 St George's Day, wear red, white and blue. £1, FOBS BJS & BIS

02/05/2018 Roman Workshop, Year 4

03/05/2018 Living Land visit, Years 3 and 4

04/05/2018 Roman Workshop, Year 4

04/05/2018 Infant Spring Disco, FOBS

07/05/2018 May Day Bank Holiday, school closed BIS & BJS

14/05/2018 Year 6 SATS week

18/05/2018 Eurovision Cultural Day, BJS

21/05/2018 Round the World Week, BIS

21/05/2018 Grandparents afternoon tea BIS & BJS

21/05/2018 Secondary Selection Procedure meeting (11+) Year 5 parents, 5.30pm - 6.30pm

22/05/2018 Visit to Chatham Dockyard, Year 6

24/05/2018 Class photos BJS & BIS

25/05/2018 Sea-side dress up day, £1 FOBS BJS & BIS

25/05/2018 Last day of Term 5