

The Flourish Federation

NEWSLETTER— MAY 2018

Keeping in touch, diary dates & reminders

Dear Parents & Carers,

As yet another term seems to fly by it seems impossible to think that we will soon have completed our first year as a federation! Although there have been challenges along the way I really feel that the benefits outweigh them as both schools are more aligned in their approach to learning, with staff and pupils working more closely together and benefiting from a wealth of expertise.

Any changes that we have made have been with the pupil's best interests at heart and with the view to improve and enrich their learning experiences.

I would like to thank you all for your support and for many of the positive comments you have shared with us. How lovely, having secured our sibling link this year, to be able to offer places in the infant school to those brothers and sisters of our junior pupils! We look forward to meeting all our new little faces next term at our welcome sessions.



Mrs P Woods

Breakfast Club

As Year 6 pupils were attending breakfast club during their SAT's week it was a good opportunity for me to visit! I was so pleased to see how well the club was organised and that the children had suggested breakfast items that they would like to see on the menu. Miss Courtman, Mrs Hickmott and Miss Payne who all have other roles in the schools have worked hard to provide the children with a wider menu, including fresh fruit, cereals, ham, cheese, yoghurts, crumpets, croissants, toast and much more! A variety of fruit juices and squashes are also included. After they have eaten the children can play indoor and outdoor games. The club runs daily from 7.45a.m to 8.30a.m and costs only £2 per session. If you would like your child to attend please fill in a booking form, obtainable from either of the school offices.

"Heard it in the playground!"

Sometimes we hear rumours in the playground which may cause unnecessary worry or confusion; the latest being that we are introducing a new school uniform. IF or WHEN we do, I can assure you that you will be given plenty of notice and an opportunity to give your opinion!

Time to say Goodbye

Miss Frain will be leaving us at the end of the school year to pursue pastures new. Although she has only been with us for a short time; I'm sure you will join me in wishing her all the very best for the future and thank her for her hard work with Primrose class. As soon as I have staffing plans agreed for next year I will let you know; until then they will only be rumours! A smooth transition to new classes is very important for all our pupils so we too like to make plans as soon as we can.

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Enjoy the half time break and keep on reading!

SATs

As most of you know, Year 6 and Year 2 have been busy this month with their SAT's assessments; it's now nearly all over, hurrah! All the staff involved would like me to pass on their thanks to all parents and carers who have ensured that their children have arrived at school on time, feeling calm and confident. All the staff have helped and supported the children in order that they had every opportunity to achieve their potential.

Last chance to sign up!

Brookfield Multi Skills are running 2 exciting activity days in the half term break; Tuesday 29th May - Multi-Sports Fun Day and Wednesday 30th May - Ultimate Soccer Skills Challenge Day. There are a few spaces remaining so if you would like your child to attend either or both please send £15 (per day) with a completed form (available at either office) ASAP! All taking part are rewarded with fabulous trophies for the overall winners!

Dates for your diaries in term 6

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| 25/05 Last day of Term 5, Summer Dress Up Day | 04/06 Staff Development Day, no pupils |
| 11/06 Year 1, Phonics Screening Week | 12/06 New Parents Morning, parents only, 9-10a.m |
| 12/06 New Parents Evening, parents only, 6.30-7.30pm | 15/06 Dads/Special Male Breakfast, 8a.m |
| 18/06 Year 1 trip to Tyland Barn | 19/06 BJS Sports Day (21/06 Reserve date) |
| 22/6 EY's trip to Wingham Park | 25/06 Year 6 trip to Isle of Wight |
| 25/06 Year 2 trip to Tyland Barn | 26/06 BIS Sports Day (28/06 Reserve date) |
| 28/06 Year 5 Battle of the Bands | 05/07 Year 2 Parents Evening, Transition to BJS 6-7pm |
| 06/07 Crazy hair/hat day FOBS | 09/07 Transition Week, both schools |
| 11/07 Penny Fayre, BIS, FOBS | 11/07 New Parents Welcome Session, 9a.m |
| 12/07 New Parents Welcome Session, 9a.m | 13/07 Reports to Parents |
| 16/07 Reports Drop-in | 17/07 BJS Leavers Production, 6.30p.m |
| 18/07 BJS Leavers production, 6.30p.m | 18/07 BIS Leavers Production, 9.30a.m |
| 19/07 Year 2 Tea Party/Awards, 2pm | 20/07 Year 6 Prom, 7p.m till 9p.m |
| 23/07 BJS Thank you Event | 23/07 Year 2 Leavers BBQ, 3.30- 5.00p.m |
| 23/07 BJS, Prize Giving, 6p.m | 24/07 BJS Leavers Assembly, 2.30p.m |
| 24/07 Last Day of Term 6 | |