

12TH JULY 2024

We were all so disappointed that both our Sports Days were a wash out this week. Thank you for your understanding: the health and safety of the children takes precedence in these circumstances. Looking ahead to next week's diary, crammed full of exciting events in the run up to the end of term, I will ask each year group to get outside when they have time, the field is drier and the weather is fine to complete their events and races. We are sorry that this means we won't be able to plan ahead and invite you to watch this: we do plan for a July Sports Day with the hope of fine weather which has let us down this year.

We are *incredibly* proud of our Year 6 children, who have had an unthinkable disrupted experience in their primary education and have still done remarkably well in their SATs. They have worked incredibly hard. Our SATs results, along with a comparison to provisional national data, can be found below. I would like to thank our team of staff across the school who have worked tirelessly over the last two years to help all children catch up with any lost learning and to all our families for your continued support.

| 2024 | Reading | Writing | Maths | GAPS | Combined RWM |
|---|---------|---------|-------|------|--------------|
| Percentage of Pupils Working at Expected Level+ | 87% | 87% | 91% | 91% | 81% |
| National Average | 74% | 72% | 73% | 72% | 61% |
| Percentage of Pupils Working at Greater Depth | 39% | 16% | 27% | 40% | 4% |

Class Attendances—Week beginning 8th July 2024

Our attendance for this week is **94%**. Thank you for your support with promoting good attendance in school, it is much appreciated.

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| Class 1 | 94.5% |
| Class 2 | 98% |
| Class 3 | 90.6% |
| Class 4 | 96.8% |
| Class 5 | 89.7% |
| Class 6 | 90.7% |

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| Class 7 | 96.7% |
| Class 8 | 97.7% |
| Class 9 | 89% |
| Class 10 | 98.1% |
| Class 11 | 92.6% |
| Class 12 | 92.9% |



Please remember that I am still *unable* to authorise any term-time leave of absence requests this year and, in the majority of cases, these will incur fines. These requests should be made in advance and not retrospectively please. Holiday forms can be completed on the school app or by clicking [here](#).

We wish the England men's football team the best of luck this Sunday! The children are welcome to come to school on Monday in red and white, regardless of whether they win or lose—in celebration of how well they have done to reach the final!

Finally—there is LOTS of important information in the newsletter this week. Please make sure you read it all!

Kind regards,
Mrs J Hill



PE Kit

Please remember that we would ask children to continue to come to school wearing PE kit (t-shirt, navy sweatshirt or cardigan, navy or black tracksuit bottoms and plain trainers) on days when they have PE. Being ready for PE means we lose less time from PE lessons getting changed in and out of kit and means we don't have to worry about where to store their PE bags during the week.

Again, it would be most ideal if you could buy black trainer shoes instead of school shoes in your 'uniform shop' this summer—this means the children will have appropriate footwear for completing the daily mile. If you are not able to find anything suitable, please make sure your child brings their trainers to school each day to change into.



PE days for next year are listed in the table below for your child's new class. We have made the decision this year to continue swimming lessons for the children moving into Year 4 to give as many children as possible the chance to build on the great progress they have made with their water confidence this year and to allow them time to achieve the Key Stage 2 objective of being able to swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres. Sports Premium funding will be used to pay for these additional lessons and we are grateful to the pool for finding us three additional slots to allow time for Classes 4, 5 and 6 to swim next year. This swimming session will replace one of the PE lessons in Year 4 so that they still have time for all of the other exciting curriculum topics that the Year 4 staff have planned for them across the year—the team will let you know whether the PE unit for each half term will be indoor or outdoor so you know when to send your child in their PE kit.

PE Days

| | Indoor PE | Outdoor PE | Swimming |
|----------|-----------|------------|-----------|
| Class 1 | Monday | Wednesday | Thursday |
| Class 2 | Friday | Monday | Wednesday |
| Class 3 | Friday | Wednesday | Tuesday |
| Class 4 | | | Thursday |
| Class 5 | | | Wednesday |
| Class 6 | | | Friday |
| Class 7 | Monday | Thursday | |
| Class 8 | Wednesday | Friday | |
| Class 9 | Tuesday | Friday | |
| Class 10 | Thursday | Monday | |
| Class 11 | Friday | Thursday | |
| Class 12 | Wednesday | Thursday | |

Class 4 and 5 will be swimming right at the end of the school day, so may still bring a onesie to school to get changed into when they finish their lesson if they wish. Class 6 will swim before lunchtime so will need to change back into school uniform after their swimming lesson. **I am happy for them to wear PE kit on a Friday if they are more comfortable changing into this after their lesson.**

Year 5 Drop Off and Collection

When your child moves from Year 4 to Year 5, they will need dropping off at and collecting from the Upper School entrance in the car park. In the mornings, please stand outside the front of school behind the green gates until the main car park gate is closed and it is safe to stand in the car park and wait for the door to open. This keeps you and your children safe from cars entering the car park. Thank you.

Leavers' Dinner Menu—Monday 22nd July

We will be having a special menu for our Year 6 leavers for lunch on Monday 22nd July. Dinners can be ordered as normal in the classroom on the morning and cost £2.40. Please pay online, in advance, using your School Money account. This one-off menu replaces the normal menu on Monday—anyone can order from it!

Choose from:

Burger, chips, beans
or
Veggie burger, chips, beans

Oaty Cookie



Clubs—End of Term

Monday 15th July

Girls' Football—cancelled due to a match v Arboretum (a)

Year 3 Homework Club—ON **3:30-4:30pm**

Zorbing (Active Sports)—ON **3:30-4:30pm**

Tuesday 16th July

Homework Club—ON **3:30-4:30pm**

Warhammer Club—ON **3:30-4:45pm**

Mini Trampolining—ON **3:30-4:30pm**

Cookery Club—ON

Thursday 18th July

Homework Club—ON **3:30-4:30pm**

Lego Club—ON **3:30-4:45pm**

Warhammer—ON **3:30-4:45pm**

Choir—ON **3:30-4:30pm**

Year 3 Maths Club—ON **3:30-4:30pm**

Monday 22nd July

Girls' Football Club—ON **3:30-4:30pm**

Tuesday 23rd July

No Clubs



Please make
sure you are on
time to collect
your child!

School Dinners

Next week, we will be back to Week 3's menu. Please remember that school dinners cost £2.40 and **MUST** be paid for, **ONLINE, IN ADVANCE**. [Week 3 Menu](#)



Please could I ask that, if you have any outstanding dinner debts, that these are cleared as soon as possible, by the end of term at the latest, so that debts are not carried into the next school year. Thank you.

Breakfast

This week we have provided breakfast to **25** children. Children can come to the hall when doors open to collect a breakfast bar if they wish.

breakfast
fuel for learning

Violin & Viola Lessons for 2024/25

Our Violin Teacher, Jo Cross, is branching out next year and will also be offering viola lessons. For September, she has 9 spaces to fill and is initially offering these spaces to children who are currently in Year 4 (Year 5 in September) as they will receive a discount for lessons from the Derbyshire Music partnership after completing their ukulele lessons in school this year.

Shared lessons cost £5.50 for 20 minutes and individual lessons cost £8.25 for 15 minutes/£11 for 20 minutes.

The Derbyshire Music Partnership offer the following discounts on lessons:

Starter Scheme—the first 6 lessons are discounted by £3.25.

SEND Bursary—pupils on the SEND register receive a discount of £5.50 on every lesson.

Assisted Bursary—£3.25 discount for every lesson and a free instrument loan. This may be applied for if you are in receipt of and of the following: Free School Meals / Income Support / Income-based Job Seeker's Allowance / Working Tax Credits

12-month instrument loans are available to all new pupils for just £30.

Please contact the school office for more information if you are interested.



Pupil Premium Packs

Our Pupil Premium packs are almost complete! If you have a child currently in Year 3, 4 or 5 who is eligible for Pupil Premium and you returned your order form for a pack, **these will come home with your child this year**. We will aim to send these home on Monday, providing the delivery of sweatshirts and cardigans arrives from our supplier. We will send a Parent App out to confirm they are on their way home with your child.

If you have a child joining us in Year 3 next year, your Pupil Premium packs will need collecting, as they need to be signed for. We will email out further information about how to collect your packs on the collection day, which will be **Wednesday 4th September 2024**.

French Day

We will be celebrating our annual French Day in school on Thursday 18th July. The theme of this year's day will be 'A day trip to Paris' and aims to be a celebration of language, learning and French culture. The children will begin their day travelling 'by train' to Paris' Gare du Nord station, followed by a French breakfast. The remainder of the day will be spent learning about the famous sites of Paris and the Olympic Games. Children may wear a splash of red, white and blue along with their uniform, or holiday clothes, if they wish.



2023-24 DATES

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| Monday 15th July | All Day | Wear red and white!  |
| Tuesday 16th July | 9:30am | Year 6 Production to Year 2 and Year 3 |
| Wednesday 17th July | 9:30am | Year 6 Production to Year 4 and Year 5 |
| Wednesday 17th & Thursday 18th July | 6:00pm | Year 6 Production to Parents—High School Musical |
| Thursday 18th July | All Day | French Day—wear red, white and blue! |
| Friday 19th July | All Day | Year 4 Britain Since 1950s Day |
| Friday 19th July | 1:30-3:30pm | Year 6 Bystander Workshops |
| Monday 22nd July | 12:15pm | Leavers' Dinner Menu—see newsletter item p. 4 |
| Monday 22nd July | 9.00-10.00am | Year 6 Bystander Workshop |
| Monday 22nd July | 5:30-7:30pm | Year 6 Leavers' Party—details to follow |
| Tuesday 23rd July | 3:30pm | End of Summer 2 Term—BREAK UP FOR SUMMER |

2024/25 DATES

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| Wednesday 4th September | All Day | INSET 1 |
| Thursday 5th September | 8:55am | Autumn 1 Term starts |
| Week Beginning 9th September | All Week | Swimming Lessons Start for Years 3 and 4 |
| Monday 30th September | AM | Individual & Family Photographs |
| Friday 25th October | 3:30pm | Break up for October Half Term |
| Monday 4th November | All Day | INSET 2 |
| Tuesday 5th November | 8:55am | Autumn 2 Term starts |
| Friday 20th December | 3:30pm | Break up for Christmas Holiday |
| Monday 6th & Tuesday 7th January 2025 | All Day | INSETS 3 & 4 |
| Wednesday 8th January | 8:55am | Spring 1 Term starts |
| Friday 14th February | 3:30pm | Break up for February Half Term |
| Monday 24th February | 8:55am | Spring 2 Term starts |
| Friday 4th April | 3:30pm | Break up for Easter Holiday |
| Monday 21st April | All Day | Easter Monday |
| Tuesday 22nd April | 8:55am | Summer 1 Term starts |
| Monday 5th May | All Day | May Bank Holiday |
| Friday 23rd May | 3:30pm | Break up for May Half Term |
| Monday 2nd June | All Day | INSET 5 |
| Tuesday 3rd June | 8:55am | Summer 2 Term starts |
| Thursday 24th July | 3:30pm | Break up for Summer Holiday |