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Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back to what has been a very busy Summer Term so far. Hopefully, we will now be able to enjoy some sunshine! Don't forget to apply sunscreen to your child before school and to send them in with a suitable hat and of course a water bottle to keep them hydrated. With only this week left before half term, please remember that our first day back on the 5th June is an INSET day, so we will see the children at the normal start time on Tuesday 6th June.

SATs

We would like to once again take the opportunity to thank our wonderful Year 6 children for their hard work during 'SATs Week'. As well as demonstrating excellent levels of concentration, even in the face of up to 4 hours of testing a day, they maintained great humour and resilience throughout. We are very proud of them all. Test papers have now been posted off for marking and we can access the children's results online at the beginning of July. As well as year six, our year 2 pupils have also recently taken their tests and as with the year 6 pupils, they too have also demonstrated a great attitude to their learning.

Published Poets

We are delighted to announce we have some published poets in our midst. Some of our pupils in Woodpeckers Class recently entered a young writer's competition, 'Once upon a Dream'. This year there were in excess of 35,000 entries and our children faced tough competition; however we are proud to announce that 16 of our pupils were chosen to have their own poetry published. What an achievement – well done to all our pupils who entered their work.

Letter Box

Don't forget our letter box by the front door of Reception. This is checked twice daily, so if there is a queue at the front office, please feel free to pop in any correspondence which will be duly dealt with. This will help to avoid congestion during our busier times.

End of School Day Arrangements

If you need to change arrangements for picking up your child after school, it would be appreciated if you could inform the office before 3pm to ensure that all messages are delivered to the class teachers before the end of the school day. Naturally, we do understand that this is not always possible, but where you can this would be great to avoid any confusion.

Athlete in School

Don't forget our visit on Thursday 25th May from an athlete (Judo) representing 'Sports for Champions'. The aim of the afternoon is for our children to experience and gain an insight into the life of an athlete and understand the key skills and disciplines that sports people need in order to be successful at what they do. Hopefully your children will have been raising sponsorship for taking part on the day. Please see Mrs Parker's previous letter for more details.

Mufti Day

Please remember that it is a Mufti Day on Friday 26th May, organised by the BPSA. In return for wearing their own clothes, the BPSA are asking for donations for the Summer Fete Hamper Raffle. Please refer to their letter previously sent out for more details.

School photo – Tuesday 13th June

The whole school photo is on Tuesday 13th June. It would be great to see all children in their full school uniform.

Head Lice

We have a report of head lice in school this week.

NHS advice: "Head lice and nits are very common in young children. They don't have anything to do with dirty hair, and are usually picked up by head-to-head contact. Head lice are small insects, up to 3mm long. They can be difficult to spot. Head lice eggs (nits) are yellow, brown or white (empty shells) and attached to the hair. Head lice sometimes can make your head feel itchy or like something is moving in your hair. The only way to be sure someone has head lice is by finding live lice or eggs. You can do this by combing their hair with a special fine-toothed detection comb, available at pharmacies".

Please see the attached for further information.

We will of course keep you updated on any other events over the coming weeks. Obviously, as the term progresses there will be letters/information coming home, so please check your emails, the notice board and your child's book-bag. As always, thank you for your continued support and we hope you and the children enjoy their learning the rest of this half term; we wish you a happy and sunny half term holiday and we will see you back in school on Tuesday 6th June.

Warmest Regards

Sarah Harvey
Head of School

How to get rid of head lice

You can treat head lice without seeing your GP.

Treat head lice as soon as you spot them. You should check everyone in the house, and treat them on the same day if they have head lice.

There's no need to keep your child off school with head lice.

Use lotion or spray to treat head lice

You can use medicated lotions and sprays that kill head lice in all types of hair, including afro hair. You can buy these from pharmacies, supermarkets or online.

Head lice should die within a day. Lotions and sprays come with a comb to remove dead lice and eggs.

Some treatments need to be repeated after a week to kill any newly-hatched lice. Check the pack to see whether they're okay for you or your child to use and how long they should be left in the hair.

If lotions or sprays don't work, speak to your pharmacist about other treatments.

Some treatments aren't recommended because they're unlikely to work:

- products containing permethrin
- head lice “repellents”
- electric head lice combs
- tree and plant oil treatments, such as tea tree oil, eucalyptus oil, and lavender oil herbal remedies

If you don’t want to use chemicals

You can buy a special fine-toothed comb (detection comb) online or from pharmacies to remove head lice and nits.

Follow the instructions on the pack, but generally you:

- use the comb on wet or dry hair, although it usually works best on wet hair with conditioner
- comb the whole head of hair, from the roots to the end of the hair
- repeat every few days for 2 weeks

You can’t prevent head lice

There’s nothing you can do to prevent head lice. You can reduce the risk of lice spreading by avoiding head-to-head contact.

Don’t use medicated lotions and sprays to prevent head lice. This can irritate the scalp.

There’s no need for children to stay off school, or to wash laundry on a hot wash.