SUMMER UPDATE

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Week 28

Be the best you can be

Welcome back for the start of what we hope will be a lovely summer term. It's always nice to see the blossom when we come back after Easter, and this year is a fine display.

The first half is quite busy, with a number of Bank Holidays as well as the statutory assessment periods for years 2&6. With those out of the way, we *should* have a slightly more relaxed period after half-term.

OFFICE STAFFING

Whilst we recruit a replacement for Miss Sloane, the office will be staffed by Mr Spencer and Mrs Logan.

Mrs Logan will be on duty Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings.



Adult Learning

Janette will again be delivering sessions for parents during the summer term.

Due to the Bank Holiday effect, this half-term each course is a standalone unit that is just one week long!

- Monday 24 April All about MATHS
- Monday 15 May All about ENGLISH
- Monday 22 May Quick Skills DIGITAL

After half term she will run a longer unit aimed at parents of younger pupils in nursery & reception.

Time Together at Home looks at ways to keep young minds active and reinforce learning during the long summer break. Parents are introduced to the excellent 'Time Together at Home' resources - developed by the Early Years Team. Packed with ideas and activities, the course introduces parents to the Early Learning Goals, supporting them to build a 'home full of activities', which they record in a unique, take-home poster.

This will run from Monday 12th June to 10th July and attendees may also be eligible for a family reward visit paid for by the Council!

All sessions run from 1.30pm to approx. 3pm. Please let the office know if you would like to attend any of the listed sessions.

DOLCE CATERING

The summer menu has been altered as part of Dolce's broader efficiency measures. This mainly means that the jacket potato/sandwich option now alternates each day.

A letter was also distributed yesterday relating to their plans to end the direct debit payment option nationally at the end of this academic year.

SUNNY WEATHER

As the temperatures go up, children inevitably spend more time with cheeks, arms and shins exposed.



Wrap – sleeves Splat – sun cream Hat – head covering

Please be aware of the forecast for the day and apply suncream as appropriate before children attend school. As the summer progresses, please ensure they have a supply of cream that they can apply themselves.

Sturdy water bottles are also a necessary item this term. Please remember these should **only** contain plain, fresh water.

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