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Dear Parents/Carers,

I can't believe that we have just finished our penultimate half term. It has been so busy with trips, residentials, SATs for the amazing children in year two and year six, and on top of that, a huge amount of learning for all the children across the school. They have all worked so so hard and we are all so proud of them.

Next term, as you know will be our busiest half term of the year with Year One and Year Four undertaking their Phonics and Multiplication checks, for which they have been working so hard towards. We also have more trips taking place, sports days, PTA Summer Event and much much more. A list of dates has been provided at the end of this letter for your reference.

Combined with our last half term of the year we obviously still have the building works continuing; we are hoping that the building works will be completed over the summer break. Below are some pictures of how the building is progressing. It may be difficult to see, but the new music, computer and cookery rooms will be amazing when they are finished.



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Vocabulary Day

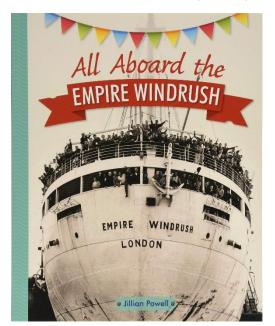
Our annual Vocabulary Day is back next half term on **Wednesday 5 July**. This is always a really lovely opportunity for the children to have fun and be creative with vocabulary. This year we will be creating animations, setting a story writing challenge between the classes as well as playing lots of vocabulary games new and old. This year we are asking that the children pick an adjective to come as to encourage creativity. The more descriptive the better! We will of course end the day with a parade for the children to show off their costumes with prizes for the most creative costumes.

Windrush Week

June 2023 marks the 75th Anniversary of the Empire Windrush's arrival in Britain. We want to mark this special occasion celebrating Caribbean culture and the legacy of the Windrush generation in the UK today. We feel it is really important that our children understand the contributions made by the Windrush generation and their decedents on our society as well as acknowledging the scarifies they made in doing so.

To really celebrate Caribbean culture we will begin our Windrush week on the **22nd June**, Windrush Day, with a dance workshop. Throughout the week the children will be learning about the impact the Windrush generation have had through the jobs they had, the culinary influences as well as music and art. On **Friday the 23rd we will be asking the children to come into school wearing the colours of the Caribbean country they will be learning about (which you will be informed about after the half term).** The children will have the opportunity to taste the Caribbean through a tasting experience with both sweet and savoury foods to try.

We will also be running steel pan workshops over two days the 28th and 29th June for the children to learn about the history of the pans as well as have the opportunity to play them for themselves.





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PTA Bingo Event

A huge thank you and well done to the PTA for organising a very successful Bingo Evening last Friday. They raised an amazing £544. We can't wait to run the event again in the next academic year.



Punctuality & Attendance

We have seen a significant increase in children arriving late. Please can we remind you that the gates open at 8.40am and the register is taken at 8.50am. Children who are arriving late are missing vital aspects of their learning i.e. phonics and mathematics recaps.

In regards to attendance please can we remind you an attendance of 96 - 97% is deemed as average. Anything under 92% for a child is deemed as a persistent absence and is a cause for concern for their wellbeing and education. If your child is unwell, please ensure you report this by 9.15am using the Studybugs App.

Parking

It has been brought to our attention by local residents that some of or parents are still parking inconsiderately to our neighbours of Farnborough. This week we have been sent photographic evidence to this effect of multiple vehicles. Please ensure you are courteous and considerate to all of our neighbours when parking to drop off or collect your children. Please can we also ask that you do not park on the zig zag lines outside of the school gates as this is very dangerous for families who are crossing as well as staff who are accessing or leaving the school grounds.

Trip Forms

Just a polite reminder that multiple trip letters have been issued for the Summer Term, please ensure these are returned to Ms Ellson in the school office as soon as possible if you have not already done so for the trip and lunch arrangements to be made. All trip forms are available in hard copy form, from the school office.

We look forward to a fun and hopefully sunny final Summer Term ahead!

Enjoy the break next week with your families.

Best wishes,

Miss James





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Dates for the Diary

Monday 29- Friday 2 June		Half Term
Monday 5 June		Children return to school
Tuesday 6 June		Year Four Multiplication Check Week
Week Commencing 12 June		Phonics Week
Monday 12 June to Friday 16 June	4 Nights	Year Six PGL- Isle of Wight
Thursday 15 June	1:45pm	Year Three Class Assembly
Wednesday 21 June		Reception- Pixies- Visit to Godstone Farm
Thursday 22 June		Windrush Week
Thursday 22 June		Carnival Dance Celebration- part of Windrush Week
Friday 23 June	9:30am	Year One Assembly
Friday 23 June	1:45pm	Year Four Class Assembly
Monday 26 June		Year Four- Giants- Visit to Golden Hinde
Tuesday 27 June		Year Two- Unicorns- Visit to Kidzania
Wednesday 28 June	9.15 am	New Reception Parent's Meeting
Wednesday 28 June		Year One- Cherubs- Visit to Hobbledown
Wednesday 28 & Thursday 29 June		Steel Pans Workshop- part of Windrush Week
Thursday 29 June	9:30am	Year Two Assembly
Friday 30 June	9:15am-12pm	Reception and KS1 Sports Day
Friday 30 June	1:45pm	Year Five Production
Wednesday 5 July	All Day	New Reception Individual Appointments
Wednesday 5 July	All Day	Vocabulary Day
Friday 7 July	9.15am-3pm	KS2 Sports Day
Friday 7 July	3pm-7pm	PTA Summer Event
Wednesday 12 July	1.30-2.30pm	New Reception Stay & Play Session
Friday 14 July		Bastille Day Dance Workshop- more info to follow
Friday 14 July		End of Year Reports go out to Parents
Tuesday 18 July	9:15am	KS2 Choir Performance to Parents
Tuesday 18 July and Wednesday 19 July	6.30pm	Year Six End of Year Production
Thursday 20 July	9:15am	KS1 Choir Performance to Parents
Friday 21 July	10:00am	Leaver's Assembly
Friday 21 July		Last day of term

