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Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

The Summer Term is always a busy term and this year is no exception. We have a number of visitors and school trips arranged as well as an ever-increasing number of after school clubs!

The children have settled well after the Easter break and I have really enjoyed teaching across all classes this week which has enabled me to observe the progress that the children continue to make.

Many of you may remember the attendance letter that was sent out in September as attendance is an important National and local issue for schools, parents and children.

The attendance for this year up to 28/04/23 for each year group is as follows:

Reception: 95.4%

Year 1: 96.06%

Year 2: 96.46%

Year 3: 95.33%

Year 4: 95.02%

Year 5: 96.79%

Year 6: 95.48%

Overall school attendance is 95.81% which I am really pleased to see continues to increase.

Many thanks for your continued support,

Mr Gamble

A friendly reminder to please check your Dojos daily scrolling through even if you do not receive a notification as this is our way to keep a regular flow of communication with you with important dates and events. Many thanks

Clubs and Activities



Mondays

Tennis Club for Robins only this half term & for Skylarks for the next half term 3:15-4:15.

Tuesdays

Gardening Club for Wrens, Skylarks & Swifts 3:15-4.

Tuesdays

Choir Club 3:15-4, £2 a child.

Recorder group lessons for children in Y2-6 will run for 20 minutes at lunchtimes at £5 a child.

Flute group lessons for children in Y4-6 will run for 20 minutes from 16:10 to 16:30 at £5 a child. (If your child is staying for choir they can stay in the school hall and will not need collecting in-between).

There will be five sessions this half term and payment for the five sessions will be needed in one block payment.

For choir this will be £10 and for recorder and/or flute it will be £25 for each instrument.

If your child is interested, please send Mrs Clarke a message on Dojo.

Wednesdays

Warhammer for Skylarks & Swifts.

Thursdays

Mad Science, please sign up/pay via
<https://www.madscience.org/parents-afterschoolprograms>.

SATs Week 9 – 12 May

GOOD LUCK
TO ALL OF OUR YEAR 6 PUPILS

Don't get stressed,
Just do your best.
Remember you've been blessed
With skills that SATs don't test.

LOOK what we're
LEARNING!

Robins have had a fabulous start to the Summer Term and our new Minibeast topic. We have been out in the garden using magnifying glasses to look for different minibeasts. This week our focus has been on caterpillars. Did you know they have six legs and eyes! We have our own caterpillars in class and have been watching them grow. In phonics we have been concentrating on writing sentences remembering finger spaces and full stops. In Maths we have been busy focusing on the numbers 11-20.

Skylarks are enjoying their new Tudors topic! In maths we have been working hard on our decimals, mass and capacity. In science we are learning about sound and how it travels from source to the ear and is then understood by our brains. Skylarks have worked hard on some fabulous presentations on this!



Wrens have loved our new topic of sail the seven seas where we have been remembering the names of the seven oceans and have enjoyed learning facts about the life of pirates to help us write a report!

In maths, Wrens have started learning about statistics and have continued to learn about multiplication and division in year 2. We are also very excited to have caterpillars back in the class and are looking forward to seeing them metamorphose onto butterflies over the next few weeks!

Swifts have been busy over the last few weeks! In maths we have been thinking about angles. We have started a narrative piece of writing, based on a film called The Present, with Mrs Negus. We are enjoying poetry with Mrs Stanley. Our new topic is 'The Victorians' and we have found out lots of facts about Queen Victoria. We have started our new class text, Cogheart, which is also based in the Victorian era. Our science this half term is about life cycles and the children have been finding out about mammals, amphibians and insects. Year 6 have been revising hard and preparing for their SATs in a few weeks' time, as well as enjoying some netball while the Year 5s are swimming!



Diary Dates

The highlighted dates are new/amended dates

- 1 May – Bank Holiday
- 8 May – Coronation Bank Holiday
- 9-12 May – Y6 SATs Week
- 18 May – Guide Dogs Assembly (School Council Charity)
- 25 May – New Robins Parent’s Evening @ 6pm
- 27 May – 4 June – Half Term
- 12 June – 10 July – Afterschool Sports Club with South Norfolk Tennis for **Skylarks** only
- 6 June – 18 July – Forest School for Y1, 3 & 5
- 6 June – Attleborough Academy Transition Day
- 14-16 June – Swifts Residential
- 19 June – Class Photos
- 20 June – Attleborough Academy Transition Day
- 22 June & 29 June – Robins new intake mornings & moving up day for all other years TBC
- 23 June – Boogy Bounce
- 26-30 June Circus Ferrel <http://www.circusferrel.com/>
- 28 June – Hartismere HS Transition Day
- 29 June Hartismere HS Transition Day
- 27 June – Sports Day TBC
- 30 June – Robins Trip to ROARR!
- 30 June – Diss HS Transition Day
- 6 July – VG Dance Workshop for the whole school
- 6 July – OBHS Transition Day
- 7 July – OBHS Transition Day
- 7 July – Reports Out
- 11 July – Wrens trip to Norwich Cathedral
- 18 July – Attleborough Academy Transition Day
- 19 July – Rock Steady Concert @ 9:30AM
- 14 July – Leaver’s Assembly followed by Strawberry Tea
- 20 July – School Disco
- 21 July – Last Day of School