

The Apple

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Dear Parents/Carers

I hope that you all had a great break during the Easter Holiday and managed to spend time enjoying the wonderful weather. As always, we have dived straight into our work and are already enjoying our learning.

On Wednesday we had some eggs delivered to school and were lucky enough to see some hatch so that we had chicks in the classroom. This has been incredibly exciting and given huge opportunities for speaking, listening and writing.

Some of the Year 5/6 pupils went to PGL for half a day this week. They worked in teams to enjoy a giant swing and then found a number of orienteering check points. Some of the pupils had to conquer their fears on the swing and we were delighted with the way in which they did!

The final week of last term was also extremely busy and the Year 5/6 pupils loved their trip to "The Deep". Their understanding of the range of creatures they had studied really enhanced the visit.



Finally, all staff in the school spent the INSET day considering ways in which to ensure that children understand the attributes needed in order to be good learners. We are now asking the pupils for their opinions so that we can develop their understanding of this area, in order that they can adapt their learning to any task given.

Paul Hill Headteacher



Dates for your diary:

21st April

Y1/2 Zoo visit

30th April

FS White Post Farm Visit

 $11^{th} - 15^{th}$ May

Year 6 SATs

10th June

Y5/6 Castle Visit

Week of 15th June

Y1 Phonics Screening Check

Medication In School

Can we remind all Parents/Carers that all medicines on the school site must be handed in at the school office and the necessary paperwork must be completed. Children must not have medicines on their person. Should the child be returning to a different house after school then any medication needed should be exchanged off site or handed in to the school office for safe keeping until the end of the school day.

Fund Raising for a School Library

We will be selling raffle tickets for £1 at the school office in order to raise money for a new school library. The raffle will be drawn at the end of the Summer Term and there will be cash prizes (hopefully of £50 and £25 depending on the number sold). All of the money raised will go towards the purchase of books for the Library! You can choose your number and buy as many as you would like.

PTA meeting

Our first PTA meeting will take place on Friday 24th April at 2:45pm. If you would like to join the PTA and help with fundraising then please come along.

Toy and Book Sale

We will be holding a toy/games and children's book sale on **Friday 15th May in the Studio Hall.** Please bring any donations on Weds 13th and Thurs 14th May. Again, all money raised will go towards the school library.

School Survey

Thank you to all of the Parents and Carers who responded to the school survey. You will receive an additional newsletter next week with the results!

Applying for Holiday in School Time

Please remember that the school is not able to authorise holidays for pupils during school time. This has been the law for nearly two years and is non-negotiable.

Sun Cream

As the weather improves it is a good time to remind Parents/ Carers that sun cream should be applied prior to pupils' arrival at school. We will take shade breaks during extended periods outside should we get the heat wave predicted in the summer!

P.E.Kit

A number of children have been forgetting their P.E kit on a weekly basis. We would appreciate it if all Parents/Carers were able to ensure that P.E kit arrives at school on the correct days. We will endeavour to call those Parent/Carers of children who continually forget their kit in order to ensure that they bring it to school and are able to participate in all P.E lessons.