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**NEWSLETTER 26**

Dear Parents/carers and children,

**ROYAL WEDDING 'TEA PARTY' LUNCH**

We will be serving a 'Royal Wedding Tea Party' lunch on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May. This will consist of: Ham & cucumber sandwich, sausage roll, fruit & royal wedding sponge cake OR Cheese & cucumber sandwich, cheese pastry, fruit & royal wedding sponge cake. The cost of the meal is £2.50 for KS2 and no charge for KS1. If you wish to order this for your child, please login to ParentPay to make your selections. The deadline for ordering is Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> May. **Please note this change to the menu will have over-written any choices already made for this date. Please login again to reselect a meal for this date.**



**SCHOOL LUNCHES – SUMMER MENU**

The Summer term menu is available to order on ParentPay. The deadline for ordering meals for the following week is the Wednesday before the meals are to be taken.



<b>MONDAY AFTER SCHOOL</b>		
Athletics Club	KS2	Ms Doherty & Mr. Green
<b>TUESDAY AFTER SCHOOL</b>		
Boys' Cricket Club	KS2 Boys	Mr Green
Study Club	Years 4,5 & 6	Ms Doherty
<b>WEDNESDAY AFTER SCHOOL</b>		
Rounders Club	KS2	Ms Doherty & Mr. Green
<b>THURSDAY AFTER SCHOOL</b>		
DJ Club	KS1 & KS2	Mrs Exell
Girls' Cricket Club	KS2 Girls	Mr Green
<b>FRIDAY AFTER SCHOOL</b>		
Study Club	Years 4,5 & 6	Ms Doherty
Bat & Ball Club	Years 1 & 2	Mr Green

**NEWS - AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**

**Cancellations:**

KS2 Cricket on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> April is cancelled due to a fixture. Apologies for any inconvenience.

DJ Club on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> May is cancelled (to allow for Reception & KS1 Pyjama Story-time).



**DOGS ON SCHOOL PREMISES**

Can I remind parents that dogs and puppies are not allowed on the School site, including any of the playgrounds. This also includes being carried, rather than on the ground.

**END OF SCHOOL DAY COLLECTION**

Please could I remind parents that Foundation Stage and KS1 pupils finish @ 3.15pm and KS2 pupils finish @ 3.20pm. The gates and doors are unlocked at 3pm, for safeguarding reasons please may I request that parents do not come on site before this time.



**LIBRARY OPENING TIMES**

You can borrow a book after school: Reception & KS1 – Mondays and KS2 – Wednesdays.

**MRS WILLIAMS**

Mrs Williams has begun a new role in a nine month secondment with the BWMAT as a Hub Business Manager, where she will be working alongside local MAT schools to support them in finances and budget setting. This is a great testament to her skills and knowledge. She will continue to work closely with St Andrews and will be a regular visitor to school. Mrs Mann and Mrs Cairns will continue to be the face of the office and have extended their hours with some additional support from Mrs Rushen. Mrs Rushen will support the office mainly out of school hours to ensure there is a point of contact at the end of every day.

**ATTENDANCE**

We recognise the importance of regular attendance as a key factor in our pupils' achievement. It is therefore essential that parents work in partnership with the school. A child with 90% attendance at the end of the school year will have missed the equivalent of 4 weeks absence. Greater attention is now paid to overall absence by the Department for Education. Therefore we do not authorise any term time absences for holidays and will only authorise an absence in exceptional circumstances. All such unauthorised absence has to be referred to the Local Authority Education Welfare Department. When a child's absence falls below 90% this may lead to the issuing of a Fixed Penalty fine. Please be reminded that it is a parent's responsibility to notify the school in the event of a child's absence. This needs to be done each day by 9.30am at the very latest either in person, by telephone or via email. If we do not receive notification as to the reason for absence your child will be recorded as having an unauthorised absence.

**PTFA**Penny Wars

Each class is collecting 5ps, 2ps and 1ps. The class collecting the most cash wins ice cream. Closing date is 27th April ~ Good luck!

KS1 Pyjama Story time

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> May is the new date for KS1 Story time. Children should be brought to the classrooms by 4.30pm and collected at 5.30pm. Hot chocolate and biscuits will be served during the event. Don't forget to come in your pjs! If you need another copy of the permission letter or if you still need to pay, please see Lucy Morris in the playground.

Tuck shop

Tuck shop will be starting after school on Friday 29th June and will run every Friday for 4 weeks. There will be lots of treats for the children to buy!

Other PTFA upcoming events and diary dates:

Sponsored football plus BBQ KS2 - look out for posters around school!

**Confirmed dates:**

Sponsored Bounce for KS1 – 22<sup>nd</sup> May. Sponsor forms will be sent out soon

Cake Sale - Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May ~ Donations welcome!

Race Night - Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June ~ Look out for posters with more info!

Summer Fair - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 5 - 7pm

Mufti Day - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July Children can come to school dressed in appropriate casual clothes (£1 donation)

Summer Discos Reception & KS1 5 - 6pm & KS2 6.30-8pm 23<sup>rd</sup> July

**DIARY DATES**

<b>APRIL</b>	
<b>Monday 23rd</b>	<b>Brue to Forest School (first session) Somer Class – Litter pick (pm)</b>
<b>MAY</b>	
<b>Thursday 3rd</b>	<b>Yr 4 Net &amp; Wall Festival Reception &amp; KS1 Pyjama Storytime 4.30-5.30pm</b>
<b>Monday 7th</b>	<b>BANK HOLIDAY – School closed to pupils/staff</b>
<b>Tuesday 8th</b>	<b>Reception &amp; Year 6 Heights &amp; Weights</b>
<b>Friday 18th</b>	<b>2.45pm Forest School Meeting for Reception parents</b>
<b>Monday 21st</b>	<b>Freestyle Workshops – whole school</b>
<b>Wednesday 23rd</b>	<b>Foundation and KS1 Sharing Assembly at 2.15pm in St Andrew's Church.</b>
<b>Friday 25th</b>	<b>Trinity Agape 10am in St Andrew's Church Last day of half term</b>
<b>Monday 28th</b>	<b>HALF TERM WEEK</b>
<b>JUNE</b>	
<b>Monday 4th</b>	<b>Back to school</b>
<b>Friday 22nd</b>	<b>School Fete</b>
<b>JULY</b>	
<b>Tuesday 3rd</b>	<b>New Class afternoon – children will spend time with their new teacher</b>
<b>Wednesday 4th</b>	<b>Foundation Multi skills Festival Open classrooms (after school)</b>
<b>Thursday 5th</b>	<b>KS2 Music Concert 2.15pm</b>
<b>Monday 9th</b>	<b>INSET DAY – School closed to pupils</b>
<b>Tuesday 17th</b>	<b>Sports Day</b>
<b>Monday 23rd</b>	<b>Leaver's Service 2pm in St Andrew's Church.</b>
<b>Tuesday 24th</b>	<b>Last day of term</b>

Yours sincerely,

Tamar Warner and Kaye  
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Acting Headteachers