



I actually can't believe we are in the final half term of this year! I will make sure I update you on all the dates of upcoming events in next week's newsletter.

## Playground

We are all so happy to see the KS2 playground finally open! I am sure you will agree it is an improvement on the previous space. We are still waiting for the lines to be drawn on the ground. These will mark out the basketball court, running lanes and the running track around the outside. It is likely these will be put down over the summer holidays.

## Nursery to Godstone Farm

Yesterday, the Nursery children had a wonderful day visiting Godstone Farm. They had a tractor ride around the farm, handled turtles and rabbits, saw lots of different animals and watched a pig race! Thankfully the rain stayed away and the trip was a great success.

## Y6 trips

Some Y6 children have been in Devon this week at a writing residential – more on that next week. The others have had a fantastic week going to Teen Tech at Roehampton Uni on Wednesday and to Fighter Command yesterday.

*Teen Tech was so much fun. I loved using different materials to make our buildings Chantelle  
Fighter Command was great! The best part was sitting in the cockpit of a Spitfire! Karaey*

## School Nurse

Maddie, our school nurse, is going to be running a drop in session for parents on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June 9am – 11am. Do come along if you have anything you would like to talk to her about. Anyone can come – you don't have to already know her. She gives some good advice so I would recommend attending if you have any health worries about your children.

## School Improvement

I can finally share with you the report from our recent school review. You may remember that we had 4 headteachers and a school inspector spend the day at Heathmere. *They identified lots of strengths including:*

- \*The teaching of reading is strong
  - \*The school prioritises reading
  - \*Marking and feedback makes a noticeable difference to children's learning
  - \*Children's attitudes to learning and behaviour are strong
  - \*Leaders and the rest of the staff team have the highest aspirations for the children
  - \*Provision for inside and outside EYFS is very strong
- Things we need to work on include:*
- \*Improving overall attendance
  - \*Reducing the number of children who have attendance that is below 90%
  - \*Ensuring there is enough precision in the teaching of writing
  - \*Linking learning to the 'bigger picture'

## Eid

Many families will be celebrating Eid next week. Can I please remind you that children are only entitled to one day off school to celebrate. **We will have a school celebration for Eid on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> June at 3.30pm.**

## Attendance

We had another stronger week for attendance. Whole School Attendance 21<sup>st</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> May: 95.4%

|    | Attendance | Lates |    | Attendance | Lates |
|----|------------|-------|----|------------|-------|
| RL | 98.0% ↑    | 3 ↓   | RB | 93.0% ↑    | 1 ↑   |
| 1B | 92.5% ↓    | 4 ↑   | 1M | 97.6% ↑    | 4 ↓   |
| 2L | 96.2% ↓    | 7 ↑   |    |            |       |
| 3M | 96.7% ↑    | 2 ↓   | 3H | 98.9% ↑    | 1 ↑   |
| 4R | 96.5% ↑    | 10 ↓  | 4T | 94.5% ↓    | 4 ↓   |
| 5D | 100% ↑     | 1 ↓   | 5B | 90.2% ↑    | 7 ↓   |
| 6C | 93.2% ↓    | 7 ↔   | 6B | 96.7% ↓    | 10 ↓  |

|                                 | Events  | Clubs   |
|---------------------------------|---|---|
| Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> June    | Phonics screening check all week for Y1 children and some Y2 children                 | Y4/5/6 Ninja Fit – Mr Meghie<br>Y1/2/3 Dodgeball – Tim  |
| Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> June   |   | Y4/5/6 Cricket - Matt<br>Y1/2/3 Ninja Fit – Mr Meghie   |
| Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> June | Trumpets<br>Road Safety show  | Y1/2/3/4/5/6 Performing Arts – Mr Meghie<br>Y4/5/6 Tag Rugby – Mr Mtya                              |
| Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> June  | Y2 swimming<br>Writing project for some Y3 and Y4 children<br>4pm Cricket Competition | Y1/2/3/4/5/6 Yo-Yo Yoga – Mr Meghie<br>Y3/4/5/6 Tennis – Matt<br>Y5/6 American Football – Mr Burton |
| Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> June    | Y3 and Y4 Primary Stars Sports Programme<br>9am – 11am School Nurse drop in           | Y3/4/5/6 Girls Only Sports  |