

Newsletter



Summer Term

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11th May 2018

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Dear Parents/Carers

It is lovely to see that, hopefully, summer has arrived. We are taking every opportunity to get the children outside for Forest School, sports and other activities; thank you for providing sun cream and hats when needed.

Rabbits class proudly showed their rockets in assembly last week and it was a pleasure to see how their confidence has grown when they shared the facts they had learned about the planets.

I am sure that you have all seen that our new school is developing very quickly now and the children have been recording progress with photos taken as they walk over to Shocott Spring for their Forest School sessions.

Diary date: We would like to share our knowledge and experience of Forest School with you, as parents, at an information /practical session on Monday 11th June at 6.30pm. We hope that you can join us to experience some of the opportunities we are providing for your children. Further information will be provided nearer to the date.

Kind regards
Karen Headland

14th May—KS2 SATS week

16th May—Library Van

16th May—Last Coding club after school for Badgers class 3.30-4.30pm

17th May - School dinner menu change– Fridays menu today

18th May—School dinner menu change-Royal wedding lunch

18th May—Year 6 trip to Hollywood Bowl

20th May—Harry & Meghan's wedding breakfast at the village hall 10-12pm

22nd May—Last Summer sports club after school 3.30-4.30pm

24th May—Last after school Dance club performance at 4.15pm

25th May—Tempest photography visiting the school today to take class photos

28th May—1st June– School closed for half term break

4th June—First day back to school following half term break

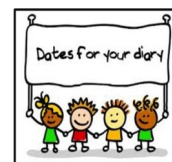
5th & 6th June– Caldecotte Xperience for Badgers and Otters

11th June- Forest School information/practical session for parents 6.30pm

12th June– Squirrel class sports trip packed lunch required please

13th June– Library van

15th June– KS2 swimming lessons start (**letter to follow**)



Absences

If your child is going to be off school please ensure that you phone in to the office on **each day of their absence before 9.15am**. There is an option when you call in to leave a message on the answerphone, which is available 24 hours a day 7 days a week, if you choose this option please state your child's name, class and reason for their absence. Alternatively you are more than welcome to phone in and speak to the office directly. Can we please remind you that if your child is absent from school for 3 days or more you will be asked to provide medical evidence to support their absence. Many thanks.



Attendance

Well done to Otters this week with 100% attendance and to Badgers last week with 99%. Attendance target for the whole school is 98% currently the whole school's attendance is 96% this has dropped significantly the last few weeks.



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Reminder—Holidays in term time



Following our letter dated 22nd June 2017 we are making you aware from 1st September 2017 any unauthorised holiday will trigger a fine in line with Bedford Borough Council guidelines. Should your child be absent from school for more than 3 consecutive days the school will need to be provided with medical evidence to support their absence. Many thanks.

Parking Reminder

Can we remind you **not** to park under any circumstances on the yellow lines outside of school. This is both dangerous and illegal. There is parking available in the church car park and at The Bell. Thank you for helping us keep your children safe.



Email addresses



We are sending school letters out by email. If you haven't added an email address to your Parentmail account please do so, can we also ask you to check your emails regularly for information. Many thanks.

Term dates.

Can we remind you of the following dates:

28th May– 1st June—Half term break

4th June— First day back to school for all pupils

19th July—Last day of summer term

20th July—Teacher training day

3rd,4th&5th September— Teacher training days

6th September—First day back to school following summer break



Sunday 13 May 2-5pm

Our Annual Great British Tennis Weekend is back bigger and better than ever before!! Bring your friends and family to Riverside LTC on Sunday May 13th 2018 from 2-5pm for an afternoon of fun packed activity.

Riverside Tennis Club welcomes you to its annual open day, come and try tennis for free. All ages, all abilities, all welcome! Cafe, Bar, and BBQ open also.

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