June 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the final half term of Reception!

As we are now approaching the end of the year we will be spending lots of time talking with the children about the transition into Year 1. The children will spend some time visiting their new classroom and playground later this term. They will also have opportunities to meet their new teachers/teaching assistants before the summer holidays. You will receive a letter before the end of term to let you know who your child's teacher will be next year.

A Midsummer's Night's Dream
As you know, the whole school is currently preparing for the school play. Reception are in the wedding scene, dancing to Bruno Mars, 'I think I want to Marry You'. You should have received information from class reps about costumes – any questions, please ask class reps or your child's class teacher. Please bring your child's costume to school in a named bag by **Monday 21st June at the latest**.

Water Bottles
Please make sure your child has their water bottle in school with them every day, especially when the weather is hot.

Cooking activities
We are planning to continue with cooking activities weekly until the end of term. Please make a weekly donation to the class Cooking Money Jar if you are able to (suggested contribution - 50p per week).

Dates for your diary
Thursday 24th June - dress rehearsals for class dances for the school performance of Midsummer Night's Dream
Friday 25th June – class photos
Wednesday 30th June - we plan to film class dances and there will be a willing Year 6 children as an audience to cheer the children on
Monday 5th July 2021 - INSET day – school closed for all children. There will be whole staff training on conscious and unconscious bias delivered by Marva Rollins OBE.
Week beginning 12th July – Healthy Living Week (more info to follow)
Parent evening meetings using School Cloud Tuesday 13th July and Wednesday 14th July – more info to follow
Friday 23rd July - last day of term – Toy Day - children can bring a toy into school (nothing electronic or of great sentimental value)

Academic year 2021-22
Wednesday 1st September 2021 – INSET day
Thursday 2nd September – children start school
Half term – Week beginning Monday 25th October
End of term – Friday 17th December

Other INSET days for 2021-22 (please note we still need to finalise the fifth INSET day)

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Friday 8th October: Reading INSET
Monday 1st November: CLPE Phonics Session 1
Monday 24th January: CLPE Phonics Session 2

We are looking forward to this final fun half-term. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to speak to us. If you need more than a quick chat we can make a telephone appointment for a mutually convenient time. We hope your child enjoys their last few weeks in Reception.

Thanks again for your continual support and co-operation throughout the year.

Yours sincerely

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