

What a truly wonderful week it has been for our school! We've had the privilege of witnessing spectacular performances from our Glee Club, alongside fantastic sports days for both lower and upper school, all of which came together to create a memorable week.

Our Glee Club dazzled with their performances on Tuesday and Wednesday evening at The Eastwood Academy. I am still in awe that we had over 120 children participating—this represents an extraordinary 25% of our entire school! What a remarkable testament to our unwavering commitment to providing opportunities for every child to shine. The talent on display was quite simply incredible, and every single child made us so proud.

A huge amount of credit must go to our dedicated staff for their relentless belief in our students. A special thank you goes to Mrs Dubouchet, Mrs Regester, Mr Fleming, and Mrs Sleigh-Johnson for their outstanding support and encouragement. It's truly heartwarming to see our children engage with the arts so passionately, and I commend each and every one of them for their hard work and commitment. It is events like these that remind us why we do what we do.

Following the exhilaration of the Glee Club performances, we celebrated our annual sports day yesterday. It was a fabulous occasion that showcased not only the individual talents of our children but also the camaraderie and sportsmanship that define our school community. The atmosphere was electric, with teamwork, resilience, and a sense of community at the forefront.

The event was made even more special with our family picnic, which added a wonderful, communal vibe to the day. It was brilliant to witness parents and friends cheering on their children as they participated in various events. A heartfelt thank you to all of my staff who worked tirelessly to make this day possible, and an extra special shoutout to the parents who took part in the mums' and dads' races. Your enthusiasm and participation made the day all the more enjoyable!

As we reflect on this remarkable week, I want to say how proud I am of our incredible children, who remind us daily of the joy and spirit that define our school community. It is this very spirit that keeps us motivated to strive for the best in everything we do.

Next week promises to be another exciting time as our children prepare to meet their new teachers on Friday. We have been preparing diligently to ensure that this transition is as smooth as possible for every child. Change can often be a nerve-racking experience, but it can also be exhilarating; it is a part of life that we all encounter. Rest assured, we will be here to support your children through this transition, helping to ease any worries and foster a sense of excitement about the opportunities that lie ahead.

As we close out this week, I hope you all enjoy a restful weekend and take a moment to celebrate the wonderful achievements of our school. Thank you for your ongoing support, and I look forward to seeing what the rest of the term has in store!

Warm regards,

Andy Newnham

Headteacher

"At CHJS, our vision is to provide an education that celebrates diversity and difference, encourages creativity and curiosity so children can achieve anything they set their minds to."































SCHOOL NEWS

GLEE CLUB - SOUNDS OF SUMMER PERFORM AT THE EASTWOOD ACADEMY

What an incredible two nights we've just had with our Glee Club performances! The atmosphere was electric as our talented students took centre stage, showcasing their skills in everything from stunning solos to fabulous group ensembles and whole choir pieces. And let's not forget our rock band, who absolutely rocked the house!

Each performance was a true testament to the amazing talent we have here at our school. We aim to promote self-esteem, confidence, and individuality in every child, and these performances provided the perfect opportunity for them to shine. It was heartwarming to see how each child grew in confidence as they stepped into the spotlight, expressing their unique personalities through music.

We are so, so proud of each performer. They truly knocked it out of the park! A massive thank you to everyone involved – the students, the staff, and all the parents who supported us. You all made this event unforgettable. Here's to many more fantastic performances in the future and the continued growth of our wonderful Glee Club. Let's keep the music alive!



CHOIR SPREAD MORE JOY AT CATHERINE MILLER!







NON-UNIFORM DAY NEXT FRIDAY 4TH JULY - DONATIONS FOR PTA SUMMER FETE (Y6 WILL BE THURSDAY 3RD JULY)

NON-UNIFORM DONATION DAY - FRIDAY 4TH JULY

In exchange for wearing non-uniform, if you can, we are kindly asking for donations of wine and chocolate for our tombola stalls at the Summer Fete.

Year 6 will have non-uniform donation day on Thursday 3rd July

JUNIOR GOVERNORS CAMPAIGN - SUMMER OF KINDNESS!



This week is the 4th week of our Summer of Kindness led by our Junior Governors. Here's what was on the menu...

Week 4 – Kindness to the Community

How can we contribute positively to our local community? What is our local community?

How can we show kindness to people we don't know personally?



Start to organise and sort classrooms for summer. We all have a role to play as we love up or leave the school!

Bring in a rock or a pebble to paint kindness rocks with messages and place them in local areas like Chalkwell Park or the beach. Use sketchbooks to plan an idea to paint on your rock.

Junior Governors present impact in meeting to be able to contribute to an assembly

Mindful Mondays, Chalkwell Character Curriculum & Core Value Focus:

This week's focus has been on being a great sport and the importance of resilience, especially with sports day this week. We talked with the children about how we are presented with challenges in a range of ways and that e do feel disappointment but this should not mean we give up or quit...actually giving our best will give us every opportunity to do our personal best - and that is always good enough!







Sportsmanship is about playing fairly and being gracious in both victory and defeat.

It requires our core values of resilience, cooperation and respect.

Step 1: Follow the rules of the game and respect decisions

If you aren't sure about the rules, ask the referee or umpire.

If the person in charge of the game makes a decision and awards a penalty against you, respect their decision.



Step 2: Be kind to other players, including those you're playing against.

We often see athletes shaking hands at the beginning and end of their matches - this is a sign of good sportsmanship and respect.

How else can you show respect to your opponents?



Step 3: Congratulate the winners



Offer your congratulations to the winners or say "good game" if you are the winner.

Try to regulate your emotions and be proud of the success you see in others.



Sofia has been racing with her friends on the playground and won. Kai was running really hard but still came second.

How can they show good sportsmanship?



The referee has given a penalty against Jake and he feels really cross - with the decision and with himself. The player he tackled is still on the floor.

How can he show good sportsmanship?



Maya's house have won Sports Day - she's really excited but her friend who is in a different house looks disappointed.

How can they show good sportsmanship?



You lose a card game against a friend and they are "expressing their pride" very loudly and repeatedly.

How can you make good choices to show good sportsmanship?

This Week:

We have a really exciting event coming up on Thursday - Sports Day! Mr Smale and Mr Robinson will be talking more about this tomorrow.

Both on Thursday, and in your other sporting activities this week, try to show good sportsmanship. Your teachers will be watching and looking for opportunities to award house points!



Resilience

Sophie Grace Holmes, a woman with cystic fibrosis from Southend-on-Sea, holds the Guinness World Record for the most consecutive marathons run by someone with cystic fibrosis. She completed 36 marathons in 36 days. This incredible feat, which started with the London Marathon on April 21st and finished with the Edinburgh Marathon on May 26th, was officially recognized by Guinness World Records in 2024.



Resilience



"My whole life I have been told I won't be able to achieve anything but yet here we are. I actually did it, there was never a doubt but obviously the days brought on their own challenges and the days were a rollercoaster of emotions," she added.

She said the marathons have been the "hardest thing I have done in my whole life" but added that she had raised £25,300 for charity.

"The reason I did it was for the world record and as a personal challenge but also to provide hope for people who are having problems with cystic fibrosis or kids with cystic fibrosis, or are just facing hard times, to show that you can overcome and achieve things that technically you shouldn't be able to and you can defy the odds."

Resilience



Sophie thrives off physical challenge and has harnessed the strength she has within her, scaling Mont Blanc, Mount Kilimanjaro and Grand Paradiso, hiking the Himalayas and taking part in a recent charity boxing competition. What an inspiration!





Resilience: Sports Day

Watch these inspirational videos of great athletes to get you in a positive and resilient mindset.







Discuss your impressions of each video as a class.

Leigh Art Trail



Schools' Art Exhibition & Competition





Saint Pierre School 16 Leigh Road, SS9 1LE

When

Saturday 5th July, 11am-3pm Sunday 6th July, 12-3pm

SECONDARY SCHOOLS



Where

Leigh Road Baptist Church SS9 1NN

When

Saturday 5th July, 11am-4pm Sunday 6th July, 11am-4pm









WEEKLY WAKE UP WEDNESDAY PARENT GUIDE



ONLINE SAFETY AWARENESS WEEK @ CHJS! W/B Monday 30th June

We are excited to inform you about an exciting and important initiative taking place next week - Online Safety Awareness Week. As our lives become increasingly intertwined with the digital world, it is crucial that we equip our children with the knowledge and skills necessary to navigate online spaces safely.

During the week, pupils will have the opportunity to engage in a variety of activities aimed at fostering positive online habits. They will be presented with a choice of challenges, classified into Bronze, Silver, Gold, and Platinum (which has been inspired by Channel 4's 'Swiped) challenges, allowing them to select a task that best suits them. Each challenge is designed to raise their awareness of online safety and can lead to the chance of winning exciting prizes.

Additionally, we are delighted to introduce a special challenge for parents. This initiative invites you to partner with your children as they undertake their online challenges, creating an atmosphere of accountability and support. We believe that your involvement will enhance their learning experience and strengthen their understanding of how to stay safe online. Any parent that completes the challenge over the course of the week will also be entered into a prize draw.

Throughout the week, we will hold assemblies that will feature informative presentations and videos providing children with handy tips for online safety. Furthermore, we will be sharing daily guides and suggestions on our social media platforms, aimed at helping parents stay informed on the best practices for promoting safe internet use at home.

To take part, the challenge cards will be available to collect from school between Monday 23th June and Friday 27th June.

We genuinely hope that you will join us in celebrating Online Safety Awareness Week, as your support is invaluable in fostering safer online behaviours among our students. Together, we can cultivate a generation of aware and responsible digital citizens.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and commitment to our school community.



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Hungry Cupboard Success!



We are incredibly proud to announce that our school continues to champion the local Hungry Cupboard initiative, dedicated to feeding the hungry and vulnerable in Southend-on-Sea.

Our amazing 5RM class has done a spectacular job by filling the Hungry Cupboard to the brim!
Mr Fleury will now be emptying it and delivering its contents to the SVP foodbank here in Southend.
Since September, we've collectively provided over **forty full crates of food** for those in need. This is a remarkable achievement for our school community and highlights the positive impact we can have together!

But we're not stopping here! Next week, our Hungry Cupboard will be moving to lower school, so be sure to stay involved and keep supporting this vital initiative. Let's continue making a difference in the lives of others! he Thank you to everyone for your generous contributions and support!



Instant Noodles

Sausage

Cheese

PTA Events

SUMMER FETE - SUNDAY 6TH JULY, 12-4PM

We cannot wait for this event and everyone is welcome to come and join the fun!!

Pasta in sauces

Mince

Tea

We are still looking for a few volunteers to make this event fantastic so if you have any time to spare (particularly to help in a stall between 2-4pm), please email ptachalkwellhall@gmail.com

DONATION WEEK - NEXT WEEK

We are kindly asking for donations for some stalls at the Summer Fete and you can bring these into school all next week! Please make sure they are clean and all pieces included!

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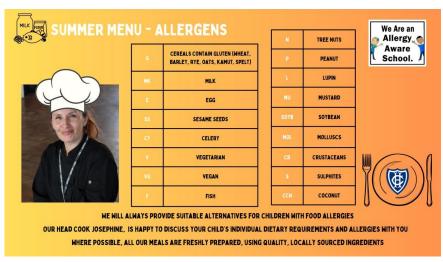
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PTA EVENTS



SCHOOL DINNER MENU THIS TERM





OPAL



OPAL lunchtimes are as exciting as ever. Rain or shine, our lunchtimes are full of activities that enrich and promote play, teamwork and friendships.

We've been truly overwhelmed by the generous donations we've received recently and we want to say a huge thank you for thinking of us! Thank you again for your continued support.

So many wonderful play opportunities this week!







OPAL WISHLIST:

If you are able to add to our incredible offer at lunchtime by buying something off our wish list, we would be most grateful.

Have a look and see what you could buy to enrich our play offer by clicking the following link:

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/C4RN99TIYQDH/ref=hz ls biz ex

SPORT @ CHJS

SUPER SPORTS

On Tuesday and Wednesday this week, we returned to Garons with our highest finishing athletes from Borough Sports for Super Sports. Super Sports is for athletes that finished in the top two (for track) or top three for field eventers) from Borough Sports. And it is a chance for these athletes to prove they are the best in the borough! We once again had some amazing performances on both Tuesday and Wednesday. On Tuesday we had Manuela, Florence, Margot, Yasmin, Eddie, Hugo, Archie, Donny, Clara, Edith, Nefeli, Darcie, Dylan, Teddy, Calum and Leo. But, the standout performances came from our year 6 girls on both evenings. On Tuesday, Florence managed to win the 80m sprint, thus becoming the fastest Year 6 girl in the entire borough! Then, she joined forces with Manuela, Margot and Yasmin. This team had won the super sports in year 3, 4 and 5, and therefore there was some pressure on the girls to win again. Having set a new year 6 record at Borough sports, they went and did it AGAIN! They improved their record by over a second. The perfect ending to a perfect team. The fastest year 6 girl runners ever who now had broken the record in Year 3, 5 and 6 - legends!

On Wednesday, we were back at Garons to find the borough's best field eventers... once again, we had some amazing performances from Leah, Anya, Edie, Olive, Yasmin and Dylan! It was the Year 6 girls again who brought home some silverware! With Leah first of all, winning the Year 6 Ball Throw by around 4m! An incredible performance and so dominant! Leah threw the ball over 40m. And finally, Yasmin in Year 6 was back to take her second title in two days having been part of the record-breaking relay team on Tuesday. Yasmin had broken the long jump record at Borough Sports, with 4m 22cm. What followed at super sports was nothing short of incredible. Yasmin broke her own record with a jump of 4m 29cm in round one. Then, she fouled in round 2 whilst another competitor broke Yasmin's record with a jump of 4m 35cm. That would be enough to dishearten many athletes, but not our Yasmin. She went in to her final jump with inner belief, determination and a champion's focus. Yasmin broke the record AGAIN, back for herself, with a huge jump of 4m 52cm. It was incredible. What an amazing performance from an amazing athlete, finishing the year with two borough records! Well done everyone involved! You are all heroes for getting to Super Sports in the first place. The PE team is very proud of you all!









Sporting Opportunities





GIRLS' FOOTBALL MONDAYS!

Want your daughter to grow in confidence, learn football skills, and have loads of fun?

Year 1-4 (ages 5-9)

5-6pm

Jones Memorial Ground, SS2 5PX

£5 a session

Spaces are limited – don't miss out!





Sign up or ask a question: JSsportCIC@gmail.com











Learning this week!

Year 3

What an exciting and busy week for Year 3! Plenty of activity this week - exploring 3D shapes in maths, planning and writing instructions for a potion in English and even to playing Quidditch! We had a marvellous time on Thursday for Sports day, and enjoyed a treat in the afternoon; we rounded off the week with our swimming lessons.

In other lessons; our learning into the countries that make up the continent of Europe continued and we started to think about storyboarding our stop motion animations ready for the coming weeks and computing lessons.

We thought about keeping safe in the wider world and made some posters to advise younger children about road, railway and water safety.

































Year 4

What a fantastic week it's been in Year 4!

We kicked off a brilliant trip to Southend cinema to see the brand-new live-action movie How to Train Your Dragon! The children were captivated by the magical story, and we're excited to use the film as inspiration for some imaginative creative writing in the coming days. A huge thank you to our wonderfully generous PTA for funding the trip — we're so grateful for your support!

After the movie, we made the most of the sunshine with a lovely picnic in the park. It was the perfect way to enjoy some fresh air and fun together.

In PE, we've been learning cricket, and the children have been fantastic. They've really mastered their bowling techniques and have set up their own mini-games, practising running, fielding, and batting.

There are definitely a few future England stars among us!

Our Science lessons have been full of energy — literally! We've been exploring electricity, learning how to build circuits and discovering how different power sources like solar, battery, and mains electricity work. Special mention to Lennard in 4JT for his excellent explanation of solar power and how it lights up a bulb — brilliant work!

Over in our Viking topic, 4JT have been pulling their fiercest Viking faces to create a striking longboat display in the classroom. We can't wait for you to see it during our Open Afternoon you wouldn't want to battle this motley crew!

Finally, Sports Day was a huge success. All of the houses showed amazing resilience and teamwork as they worked their way around the activity stations. Congratulations to Colchester, who earned a massive 100 house points to add to the final challenge of the year!

Well done, Year 4 — another week full of learning, laughter, and adventure!

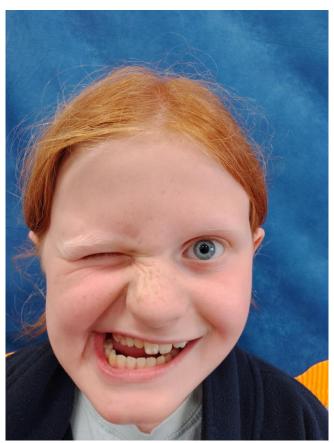
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Year 5

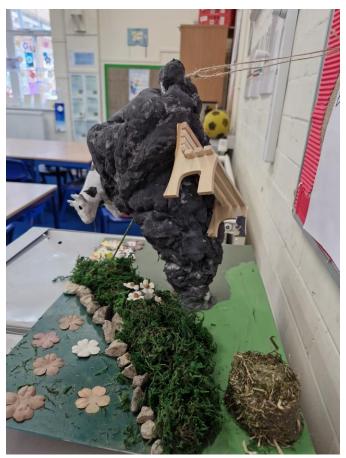
What a fantastic week it has been in Year 5! The children truly embraced their creativity while writing explanation texts about extreme weather events. We were thrilled to read their engaging pieces on Blizzards, Tornadoes, and Earthquakes. Their enthusiasm for the topic shone through, making this a delightful learning experience!

In PE, we continued our swimming lessons, focusing on improving stamina and incorporating chest pushes into our routines. It has been wonderful to see the students' determination and progress. Year 5's resilience and cooperation shone through during the sports day festivities too - well done, children!

Moreover, our Design and Technology project is in full swing as the children work on making temperature sensors for their chosen creatures. The excitement in the classroom is palpable as they bring their ideas to life.

We must also commend the exceptional standard of the creative homework this week. A special mention goes to Alasdair for his impressive 3D sculpture of a hurricane—definitely worth a look!

Bravo for another exceptional week, Year 5!











Year 6

It's hard to believe how quickly the term is flying by, and Year 6 have certainly been making the most of every moment at Chalkwell Hall Junior School this week!

The week began with swimming lessons on Monday – a great way to start the week with energy and enthusiasm. Alongside this, our exceptional Anne Frank tour guides have been doing a brilliant job leading Year 5 around the exhibition. Their maturity, confidence and knowledge have truly shone through and I know they're looking forward to showing parents round next week!

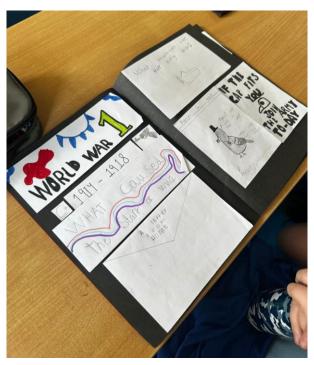
In class, the children have continued to impress us with their outstanding work on World War I.

They've been creating detailed and thoughtful double-page spreads, demonstrating not only their historical understanding but also their creativity and presentation skills. As we bring this topic to a close, the children are now preparing to move on to study World War II – another important and powerful part of our history curriculum.

Rehearsals have also begun in earnest for our Year 6 leavers' show. With the whole year group now coming together, it's already shaping up to be something really special. The children have clearly been practising their lines, and we're so proud of their commitment and teamwork. It promises to be a performance full of emotion, humour and unforgettable memories.

This week also saw Year 6 take part in their final Sports Day at Chalkwell. It was a joy to watch – full of fun, team spirit, and lots of laughter. The smiles on their faces said it all!

We couldn't be prouder of Year 6. Their hard work, enthusiasm and positive attitude continue to shine every day. Keep it up – and enjoy every moment of these final weeks!

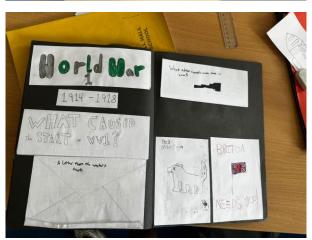




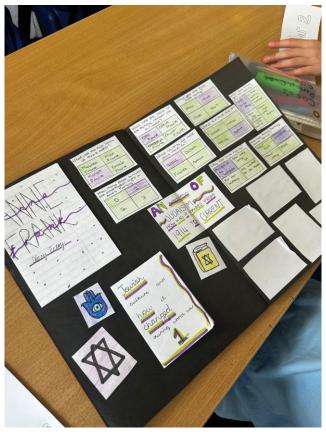




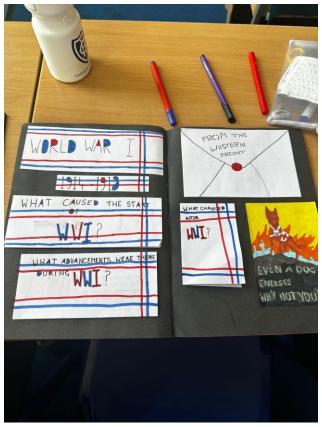




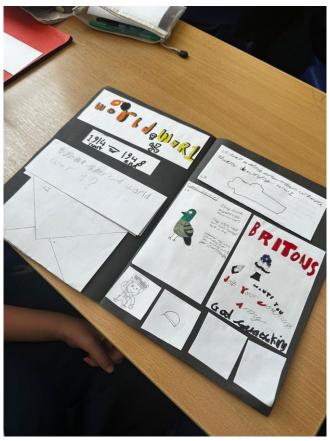












Achievement Awards



There were **SO MANY** brilliant awards this week - Achievement Awards, Reading Champions, Maths Champions and Handwriting Awards. Well done to all the children who received recognition for showing our core values of Respect, Resilience, Responsibility, Cooperation, Creativity and Enquiry. Well done to everyone who received these!





Attendance & Punctuality

Please encourage good attendance and ensure your child is in every day.

Important facts about school attendance:

- There are 190 school days each academic year
- There are 175 other days for holidays and other activities
- The national average for school attendance is 95%
- 90% attendance represents 1 day non-attendance a fortnight
- 80% attendance represents 1 day non-attendance a week

At CHJS, we always strive for 100% attendance. We understand that illness occurs from time time but ask that you support your child's learning and us a school by ensuring your child is in school every day and on time.

Our aim is that every child is in school every session, every day so we can give them the best education we can. Attendance is a key indicator to a child's success so we will be looking to be even better every week! We will be focusing on ensuring attendance is as good as it can be next year.

Attendance Guide for Parents/Carers



What YOU must do:

Try to telephone the school before 8.30am each day of your child's absence.

Tell the school in advance, of any medical appointments and bring in appointment cards/letters.

If you are not sure whether your child is well enough to attend school, send them in anyway as they often perk up on arrival.

Have a backup plan for if your child misses transport, call on a family member, neighbour or friend.

If you and your child are experiencing difficulties with school attendance then talk to us as a first step so we can help!

What WE will do:

Check your child's attendance every day.

Phone home to discuss your child's attendance with you.

Invite you into school for attendance meetings if we are concerned.

If we cannot establish a reason for absence, then we may make a welfare home visit.

OUR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK - 96% (+)



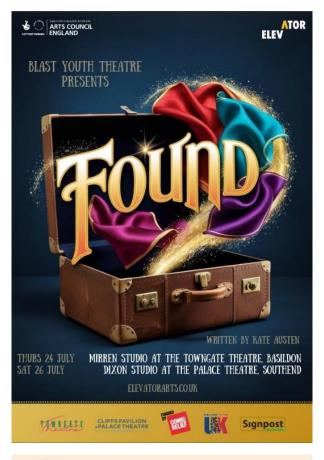
Lower School Winners = 3JW (98.7%) AGAIN! WELL DONE!



Upper School Winners = 5SH (99.3%) AGAIN! WELL DONE!



Community News















Dates for your diary: (new additions marked with *)

w/c 30th July - ONLINE SAFETY AWARENESS WEEK (Challenges for all to take part in, including Staff & Parents!)

Thursday 3rd July - Y6 NON-UNIFORM day in exchange for donations for School Fete (Chocolate & Alcohol)

Friday 4th July - NON-UNIFORM in exchange for donations for School Fete (Chocolate & Alcohol)

Friday 4th July - Year 6 Transition Day / Meet the Teacher Day

Monday 7th July - 9am Meet the Year 3 Team (for current Year 2 parents)

- 2:15pm Meet the Year 4 Team (for current Year 3 parents)

Tuesday 8th July - 9am Meet the Year 6 Team (for current Year 5 parents)

- 2:30pm Meet the Year 5 Team (for current Year 4 parents)

Friday 11th July - Year 6 Trip to Adventure Island

- Coffee in the Car Park

Friday 18th July - Challenge Day

Sunday 6th July - PTA Summer Fete

Monday 21st July - Year 6 Leavers' Assembly @ 1:30pm

Tuesday 22nd July - Year 6 Leavers' Assembly @ 1:30pm

Tuesday 22nd July - Year 6 Leavers' Disco

Wednesday 23rd July - Coffee in the Car Park & Break up for Summer holidays

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