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Dear Parents,

As many of you are aware it was the Year 6 statutory assessments this week and the children, in all year groups, have made me immensely proud.

Year 6 made the breakfast club mornings a joy with their energy and infectious happiness. The purpose of the breakfast was to allow them time to relax & talk together to create a positive mindset for the tests which they did brilliantly showing great collaboration. They approached each test with positivity and enthusiasm remaining resilient when the questions got tough. They really showed how to be purple learners!

Elsewhere in the school the children were extremely supportive, moving quietly at test times and understanding the occasional delay in playtime. The small changes to their typical timetable didn't stop their fantastic learning and I have seen stories (in Y1 I scared away the pirates with my 'ferocious temper'), mathematical thinking and amazing art and science. There has also been lots of preparation for sports day next week for which I am very excited! I look forward to seeing you there.

kindest regards,  
 Mrs Willcox, Headteacher



**Communicating with school**

We understand that on occasions parents may wish to discuss a concern they have about their child, a child in a school or an aspect of school practice. If you have a concern please let the school know. At the end of the newsletter is a chart of the different people that can be contacted. At the moment we do not have deputy headteacher so Mrs Willcox is currently taking that communication role although these types of concern can also be raised with a senior leader (Mr Galsworthy, Mrs East, Mrs Riglar).

Please note it is always best to raise concerns through direct contact with the school instead of using social media. In line with the home school agreement (available on the website under Information > School Forms) we ask that parents/carers/guardians consider carefully what they post publically about the school.

**SPORTS DAY MENU – Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May**

Bacon or Cheese bagels  
 Twisters  
 Carrot and cucumber sticks  
 Fresh fruit cups  
 Biscuits

**What's happening next week?**

- Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May – Sports Day
- Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May – Term 5 Ends

**INSET DAYS 2018-2019**

3<sup>rd</sup> September 2018  
 26<sup>th</sup> October 2018  
 5<sup>th</sup> November 2018  
 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019  
 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2019  
 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2019



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## LUNCHBOXES AND SNACKS - REMINDER

Some of our older children have recently approached me about the food eaten during break times. As a school we encourage healthy eating and a balanced diet and are working with them to review the food on our lunch time salad bar and the toast choices available at morning play.

If you provide a snack (or lunch) for your child please consider both the type of food and the size – some children have recently brought large packets of food which they struggle to eat in the time available to them. NHS guidance when buying packaged snacks is to aim for 2 x 100kcal snacks per day. More information and ideas for healthy snacks can be found at the change 4 life website here: <https://tinyurl.com/breaksnack>

**change 4 life**

## LOST PROPERTY - REMINDER

Due to the increasing accumulation of unclaimed clothing and lost property, from next week the lost property will go out on the playground (in boxes) after school for reclaiming every Friday and on the last day of term. Any unclaimed items this term will initially be offered for donation at the sports day with the remainder going to the textile bank. Thank you.



## EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Summer Term clubs will start week commencing 16<sup>th</sup> April and the range on offer can be found below.

The electronic form to register for a club can be found on our school website or by clicking [here](#).

| Club               | For        | Led by                       | When & End Time | Where                               |
|--------------------|------------|------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| Film Club          | KS2        | Mr Higgins                   | Thurs Lunchtime | Year 5                              |
| Rounders Club FULL | Y3-6       | Mr Galsworthy/<br>Mrs Riglar | Mon 4:10        | Field                               |
| Mathletics         | All        | Mrs Morrissey                | Mon Lunchtime   | ICT Suite / Library<br>Limit of 15  |
| Netball            | Y4,5 and 6 | Mrs Szmaglik                 | Thurs 4:10      | Playground                          |
| Sports Club Paid   | All        | Future Stars                 | Tuesday         | Info from future Stars              |
| Cooking Club FULL  | KS1        | Miss Phillips/Mrs Tyler      | Thursday 4.20   | Cookery Room<br>Limit of 6 children |
| Cheer leading FULL | KS2        | Miss Chapman                 | Weds lunchtime  | Room 8                              |

## SPORTS NEWS

**Netball and Cookery club is cancelled after Sports day on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May**

### Go Run For Fun

Go Run For Fun is a mass running event organised to get as many children as possible, aged 5-10 years old, into running- the runs are not timed events but are designed for children of all abilities to take part and enjoy themselves.

This particular run will be 2km long, using the athletics track and grass fields at the YOSC in Yate.

If enough children are interested in taking part, we will organise coaches from school, if there is limited interest or we do not get enough volunteers to travel with us, we will not register to take part. Details as follows – please register your interest with Mrs Watkins in person or by email by Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May – places will be allocated on a first come, first serve basis although we will endeavour to take all children who wish to participate.

**Date:** Friday 22nd June 2018

**Time:** 9.45am – 12.00pm

**Venue:** Yate Outdoor Sports Complex, Broad Lane, Yate, BS37 7LB

### Gymnastics Competition

Unfortunately, due to very little interest, we will not be taking part in the Gymnastic competition as previously advertised – thank you to those children who did reply, we are looking organising you a chance to shine in school instead.

### Sports Day – GWAAC

Don't forget! On Sports Day we will be fundraising for the Great Western Air Ambulance Charity – there will be merchandise on sale at £1 per item, buckets to make donations and we'll be selling off any unclaimed lost property for a donation. In addition, a very special visitor will be making an appearance around 11am!



# LEARNING AT CHARFIELD



This term Year 4 have been learning about Plants and Animals! And there has been so much to learn. From animal food chains and primary, secondary and tertiary consumers and don't forget the producers, to animal data bases! They have looked carefully at the different parts of insects and drawn some beautiful pencil drawings. After that, they began to explore the world of flowering plants and look carefully at the reproductive parts of flowers. They have produced some AMAZING posters of flowering plants, which encompasses non-fiction literacy skills, science and art. Check out those fronted adverbials, prepositional phrases and expanded noun phrases. Next term they will continue to look more deeply at the Life Cycle of a flowering plant- germination, pollination, fertilization, fruit development and seed dispersal. So much to learn! They have also produced some beautiful binca work and explored different stiches! Well done Year 4.



## CLASS OF THE WEEK



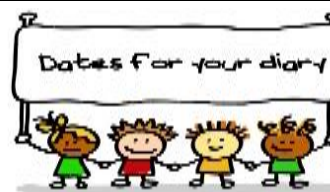
The teachers have voted and persuaded.... and Class of the week goes to **Bumblebees Class.**

They have demonstrated all of our school values this week, both in their tests and throughout the school day. We are proud of your maturity, you are fantastic role models for our school.



## SPORTS DAY TREATS

Friends are running a stall at the Sports Day serving cream teas, hot/cold drinks and ices. Please remember to bring some change to be able to buy these lovely treats.



| DATE     | DAY | START TIME | END TIME | EVENT                            |
|----------|-----|------------|----------|----------------------------------|
| 24/05/18 | Thu | 09:30      | 12:00    | Infant Sports Day                |
| 24/05/18 | Thu | 12:00      | 13:00    | Sports Day Picnic                |
| 24/05/18 | Thu | 13:30      | 03:00    | Junior Sports Day                |
| 25/05/18 | Fri | N/A        | N/A      | Term 5 Ends                      |
| 04/06/18 | Mon | N/A        | N/A      | Term 6 Begins                    |
| 04/06/18 | Mon | 13:30      | 15:20    | Y6 Block Swimming Session Starts |
| 08/06/18 | Fri | 13:30      | 15:20    | Y6 Block Swimming Session Ends   |
| 11/06/18 | Mon | N/A        | N/A      | Phonics Screening Week           |
| 13/06/18 | Wed | N/A        | N/A      | Reserve Sports Day               |
| 14/06/18 | Thu | 12:00      | 12:20    | Open Class - Bumblebees (Y6)     |
| 14/06/18 | Thu | 12:20      | 13:15    | YEAR 6 – Parent Lunch            |
| 14/06/18 | Thu | 14:00      | 15:30    | Year 1 Swimming Starts           |
| 14/06/18 | Thu | 18:00      | 19:00    | New Reception Parents Evening    |
| 02/07/18 | Mon | N/A        | N/A      | FOCUS WEEK 3                     |
| 04/07/18 | Wed | 19:00      | 20:00    | Music Evening                    |
| 05/07/18 | Thu | 15:20      | 15:45    | Open Class - Grasshoppers (Y2)   |
| 13/07/18 | Fri | N/A        | N/A      | Reports to Parents               |
| 18/07/18 | Wed | 19:00      | 20:30    | Leavers Play                     |
| 19/07/18 | Thu | 14:00      | 15:00    | Year 1 Swimming Ends             |
| 20/7/18  | Fri | N/A        | N/A      | Term 6 Ends                      |



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# Communication - Who is the right person to contact and how?

## To contact school staff for any item:



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### Parent Link is the first point of contact for:

- Urgent messages to class (Face to Face)
- Queries of School Procedures (Face to Face)
- Pupil collection arrangements (Face to Face)
  - Event Queries (Face to Face)

### The School Office is the first point of contact for:

- Arranging meetings with a class teacher (E-mail / Telephone / Face to Face / Post Box)
  - Pupil Absence (E-mail / Telephone)
  - Pupil Medical Needs (Face to Face)
- Financial Queries & Payments (E-mail / Telephone / Face to Face / Post Box)
- Messages to class if parent link is not available (E-mail / Telephone / Face to Face)
  - Non – Urgent Messages & Forms (Post Box)
- Copies of letters / information (E-mail / Telephone / Face to Face)

### The Class teacher is the first point of contact for all aspects regarding your child's education and pastoral care.

These include:

- Behaviour Concerns (Note / E-mail / Telephone / Face to Face)
- Learning Issues (Note / E-mail / Telephone / Face to Face)
- Pupil Progress (Note / E-mail / Telephone / Face to Face)
  - Non – Urgent Messages (E-mail / Note)

**N.B- Teachers do not have access to emails during lesson time**

### The Deputy Headteacher is the point of contact for:

- Educational issues not resolved through previous communication channels (Note/E-mail / Telephone / Face to Face)
- Child Protection (Letter / E-mail / Telephone / Face to Face)
- Staff Complaints (Letter / E-mail / Telephone / Face to Face)

### The Headteacher is the first point of contact for:

- Senior Staff Complaints (Letter / E-mail / Telephone)
- Issues not resolved through previous communication channels (Letter / E-mail / Telephone / Face to Face)

### The Chair of Governors is the first point of contact for:

- Headteacher Complaints (Letter / E-mail / Telephone)
- Issues not resolved satisfactorily through the Headteacher. (Letter / E-mail / Telephone)

