

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the half term break, I would like to congratulate all the children for their enthusiasm, hard work and fantastic attitude to learning this term, and thank the staff for all their hard work too. It has been a busy few weeks with lots of sports fixtures, computing workshops and a Stone Age experience day to name just a few highlights. Last night's disco and crazy hair day today has just about finished us all off, so I'm sure everyone is looking forward to a well-deserved rest next week!

### **Parent Governor Election**

Thank you so much to Richard Brown, Gillian Martin and Sarah Wright for offering to become a parent governor, and to all the parents who voted. Sarah was elected and is delighted to start working with the Governing Body after half term.

### **School meals**

The school meal survey closes on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October, so please share your feedback if you haven't already so that the company can consider how they can improve the service they provide. <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/TKPPG7Y> We have new menus after half term which are published on the school website.

### **Class assemblies**

These start after half term for Phase 3 classes. Please check the diary dates below to ensure you don't miss your child's performance! All assemblies begin at 9am in the theatre.

### **Attendance**

Our current whole school attendance is 97.1%, so we're doing really well so far this year! Thank you for your support with ensuring your child has good attendance and punctuality. Just a reminder that all holidays taken during term time will be unauthorised (including the last day of each half term) and it is our policy to send a breach warning letter for unauthorised absence due to family holidays.

Thank you for your continuous support for your child's learning and for everything in school generally. I would like to extend our thoughts to anyone in our school community who has friends or family members impacted by the horrific situation in Israel and Gaza, and to offer our support to anyone should you need it.

Wishing you all a very happy half term break.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Stray

### **Diary dates Autumn term 2023**

23rd October	Half term week
30 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 4 Egyptian Day
1 <sup>st</sup> November	Girls football match v Mandeville
2 <sup>nd</sup> November	Boys B football match v Killigrew
3rd November	Magenta sharing assembly in the theatre at 9:00am
3rd November	Football tournament at Samuel Ryder
8th November	Netball match v Prae Wood
9th November	Cross country at Wheatfields
10th November	Amethyst sharing assembly in the theatre at 9:00am
14th November	Parents Evening 3:40-7:00pm
15th November	Flu vaccinations
15 <sup>th</sup> November	Netball match v St Peters
16th November	Parents Evening 3:40-7:00pm
17 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need
17th November	Sage sharing assembly in the theatre at 9:00am
17th November	Boys A Football match v St John Fisher
20 <sup>th</sup> November	Boys A and Girls football matches v Oakwood
21st November	Year 5 trip to Synagogue
22nd November	Year 6 National Child Measurement Programme and YR screening
22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Boys B and Girls football matches v Samuel Ryder
24th November	Forest sharing assembly in the theatre at 9:00am
29th November	Netball match v STAHS
1st December	Saffron sharing assembly in the theatre at 9:00am
2 <sup>nd</sup> December	PTA Christmas Fair
5 <sup>th</sup> December	Orchestra Concert for parents 9.00am in the school hall
6th December	Y1 Performance in the theatre at 9:15am
6 <sup>th</sup> December	Boys A football match v Mount Pleasant Lane

8th December	Gold sharing assembly in the theatre at 9:00am
12th December	Reception Performance in the theatre at 9:15am
13th December	Christmas Lunch with festive jumpers
14th December	Pantomime at the Alban Arena 10:30am
18th December	Year 3 Christmas Concert in the theatre at 9:00am
19th December	Year 2 Christmas Concert in the theatre at 9:00am
19 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 5 Tudor Day
20th December	End of term 1.30pm