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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the new school term, which is always packed with exciting events and experiences. We are delighted that the children have returned so enthusiastically and are engaged by their new learning. The new topic information can be found in the year group newsletters sent out last week, which can be found on the [school website](#).

THE CHASE CENTENARY COLOUR CARNIVAL

The Friends organised a fantastic event last weekend which many of the children took part in, the **Chase Centenary Colour Carnival**. The children started off trying to run through the colour stations without getting covered in the powder paint but ended up trying to get as mucky as possible!

The organisation from the Friends was, as usual, brilliant and huge thanks must go to Eleanor and her team as well as to Mr Kimber and Mr Canham for all of their help. Mr Canham was integral to the success of the day from leading the warm up for the children to getting fairly well covered!

An ex-parent and friend of the school, who has a drone pilot licence, very kindly came along to film the fun.



[Follow this link to see a couple of the videos of the day on our website.](#)

COMMUNITY DAY - SATURDAY 27th APRIL: 11.00am – 3.00pm



We are looking forward to tomorrow's **Community Day** which will be on **from 11.00am to 3.00pm**. You are invited to pop along for an hour (or the whole time if you wish). We will be working to freshen some areas up and help with jobs such as gardening, painting and mending!

Tea and biscuits will be on offer as well as gratitude for your help!

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MEASLES

Due to the continued increase in the spread of **measles**, the UK Health Security Agency have asked schools to highlight this issue to all parents and to encourage vaccination if your child has not had two doses of the vaccine.

For more information on MMR vaccinations visit:

<http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/mmr-vaccine>

You can see some local information on the [Merton Council website](#).



AFC WIMBLEDON WOMEN - SUNDAY 5th MAY @ 2.00PM



I am sure that many families in our community are **AFC Wimbledon supporters**. Please see this message from one of our parents.

AFC Wimbledon Women – Join the team, become champions at Plough Lane!

Come along to AFC Wimbledon Women's final game of the 23/24 season at Plough Lane in what should be a party atmosphere with the team on course to winning their league and moving into tier three of the Women's National League for the 24/25 season.

[Tickets can be brought through this link](#); adults £5 per ticket (over 18's), children are free.

Come along to support the team, Hayden the mascot and GK Nemo (parent at Wimbledon Chase and GK Coach) on **Sunday 5th May – KO 14:00**.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

A reminder that all family holidays should be planned during the school holiday periods.

Unless there are exceptional circumstances all requests for additional holiday will be classed as unauthorised absence. Please refer to the school website for the [latest term and holiday dates](#) as well as our [attendance page](#) for further information.



SUSTAINABILITY



Our **pre-loved uniform sales** are proving to be extremely popular with many families replenishing their child's uniform as they grow taller! We have a few more dates this term, which we will send you when confirmed, if you are interested in stocking up on your child's uniform. You can also contact the school via the office if you are in urgent need.

Thank you to Mrs Swiatek as well as Rebecca Webb and Jeannie Beard (who is no longer a parent at the school!) for the help and support they give with the sales.

There was also a great deal of work going on in the school over the holiday with all of our lights being replaced with **LED lights** - much brighter and hopefully kinder on the electricity bill!

POLITE REMINDERS

Thank you to all for responding to the 'end of school' bell rung by Miss Patterson after school. Please can we remind you that **children should not be allowed to play on the play climbing equipment** before or after school and that they are not allowed in the Spinney (the wooded area over by Mr Canham's house).



For parents of children who attend **Wimbledon Chase Club**, this is to confirm that access to the school to pick children up is via Chase Alley as the gates via Merton Hall Road are locked at 4.45pm. This is purely for health and safety reasons, ensuring that the site is secure. Thank you.

Finally, you may remember the introduction of a [Home School Communication policy](#) in a previous newsletter (following parent feedback through the Governors' parent survey). Part of the policy includes a **School Contact list** for parents, hopefully making it easier for parents to know who to contact in different circumstances. We have now added the School Contact list to the [school website](#) (under Key Information on the main Our School tab) which we hope will be useful.

FINALLY - DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

We have updated the **dates** list on the [school website](#) as well as on the Parent App. You can also see some key dates below. One date to note is **Monday 10th June** when we will be having a **whole school photograph** which will be a lovely memento of the children who were at Wimbledon Chase in its 100th year. We will send more information nearer the time about what uniform to wear and details on how to purchase a copy.

For children who have **school dinners**, the [new summer menu](#) is available to see on our website.



I hope that you have seen Chloe from Reception's centenary flag proudly flying on the flagpole!

Have a good weekend.

Best wishes

Mr. K. Ellis
Headteacher

April	
Saturday 27 th	Community Day 11.00 – 3.00pm
May	
Wednesday 1 st	IESP Meetings 3.30 - 5.30pm (some classes on different days)
Monday 6 th	Bank Holiday
Monday 13 th	Y6 SATS Week
Tuesday 14 th	Y6 Isle of Wight meeting in the hall - 2.45pm
Wednesday 15 th	Y5 French Trip meeting in the hall - 6.30pm
Monday 20 th	Y6 Residential - Isle of Wight Y6 Activity week
Friday 24 th	End of Summer 1 term – 3.20pm/3.30pm finish
June	
Monday 3 rd	INSET DAY (school closed) Y5 Residential French Trip – France Y5 Activity week
Tuesday 4 th	Start of Summer 2 term
Monday 10 th	Whole School Photograph
Friday 14 th	Non-uniform day for Family Day
Saturday 15 th	Family Day 2.00 – 6.00pm
Wednesday 19 th	Class photos
Monday 24 th	Healthy Schools Week Key Stage 1 Sports Day Y1 and Y2 - 9.15 - 10.30am Reception - 10.45am - 12pm
Thursday 27 th	Key Stage 2 Sports Day Y3 and Y4 - 9.15 - 10.30am Y5 and Y6 - 11.00 - 12.30pm

July	
Tuesday 2 nd	Reserve Sports Day
Wednesday 3 rd	Reception – Bocketts Farm
Thursday 4 th	Share My Learning Reception to Y6 - 3.45 - 7.00pm
Friday 5 th	INSET DAY (school closed)
Tuesday 9 th	Y2 – Look Out Discovery Centre
Wednesday 10 th	Reception Creepy Crawly Concert 9.10am in the hall
	Reception to Y1 Transition meeting in the dining hall (follows Creepy Crawly Concert)
Tuesday 23 rd	Nursery last day
Wednesday 24 th	End of Summer term 2 –1.30pm finish Wimbledon Chase Club 4.30pm finish