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Dear Parents,

The school year seems to be flying by as we reach Summer half-term! There are plenty of exciting events to come next half-term though, which we are all looking forward to, including sports mornings, productions and the Share My Learning evening.

COMMUNITY GENEROSITY



Thank you to everybody who has been contributing to the WCPS Foodbank set up by the Rights Respecting Ambassadors; we are so grateful for the continuous flow of donations over the term which has allowed us to contribute to many local food banks.

Thank you also for supporting the Eid cake stall recently. The cake stall raised a fantastic £587.38 which was donated to Tooting Community Kitchen. Thank you to Mrs Anwar for organising the event.

INTERNATIONAL WEEK

One of our exciting weeks after half term is our **International Week, the week commencing Monday 10th June**. There will be dance and music workshops during the week and a **Celebrate Your Culture Day** where children will be able to wear clothes connected to your family's culture or heritage (or non-uniform) on **Friday 14th June**.

Also on **Friday 14th June** your child is welcome to bring in some **food** from home that links to your family's heritage. This will provide the children in the class the opportunity to taste a variety of international foods. **Please clearly label the food with all the ingredients it may contain, remembering we are a no nut school and on this occasion we are asking for food to contain vegetarian ingredients only.**

During International Week, we would also be grateful to **parents** who are willing to offer a cultural workshop or talk to their child's class: this could include activities such as dancing,

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music, storytelling or sharing artefacts from your culture or heritage. We are keen to include all parent volunteers and to represent as many different cultures as possible. If you are interested in coming into school to share your knowledge. Please email the School Office at wcps@wimbledonchase.merton.sch.uk or contact your child's class teacher to arrange a time that is convenient to both you and the class.

SPORTS MORNINGS

We will be holding our sports mornings on the following days.

Monday 24th June: Reception and Years 1 & 2 Sports Morning

Years 1 & 2 9.15am – 10.30am

Reception 10.45am – 12.00pm

Thursday 27th June: Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 Sports Morning

Years 3 & 4 9.15am – 10.30am

Years 5 & 6 11.00am – 12.30pm



For **both days** ALL children will need to wear PE shorts and trainers with a T-shirt in their house colour. Reception children will be given their house after half term:

Blackman House - Blue
Thunberg House - Red
Attenborough House - Green
Rashford House - Yellow
Malala House - White

Children can come to school wearing their sports kit and remain in their kit all day. We hope that the weather will be kind to us, but we have pencilled in **Tuesday 2nd July as a back-up day** if it is not. A message will be sent out as soon as we can if arrangements change because of the weather.

FRIENDS' EVENTS

Thank you to the Friends who put on a lovely Year 6 BBQ evening recently. The children had great fun and parents used the opportunity to enjoy a social evening.

The Friends of course are planning more events next half-term including **Family Day** on **Saturday 15th June**.

A message from the Friends

Thank you to all the families who have signed up to display a Hawes Board advertising Family Day. We are now looking for businesses that would be interested in sponsorship

opportunities either for the school Family Day on Saturday 15th June, or perhaps partnering with the school for a longer term sponsorship, including match funding. If you are able to help with this please contact your class reps or email the Friends at fowccharity@gmail.com

ONLINE SAFETY APP

We are very aware of how children nowadays are online more than ever, making it a challenge for parents to make sure that they are safe. We are recommending the following National Online Safety app for parents to support you. It has courses, videos, webinars and guides on topics that will help you protect children online.

[If you are interested in this resource please follow this link.](#)



COGNITION BADGE

It has been wonderful to see how many children are earning their Cornerstone Awards. Character and Community Badges are being worn with pride by lots of children. We are now launching the Cognition Badge, which will focus on ways of growing our brains. Our School Council Representatives have designed 15 fun activities for children to choose from. Completing 10 activities at home earns a Cognition badge. Click here for the [Cognition Badge Activities](#)



YEAR 6 ISLE OF WIGHT AND ACTIVITY WEEK



Year 6 have had a lovely week following their SATs. They have enjoyed a variety of different activities during their time in the Isle of Wight and Wimbledon. The children and staff have canoed, climbed, visited the theatre, crazy-golfed, orienteered, baked, made campfires, body-boarded and made new friends, amongst many other things!



PHONICS WEEK

The Year 1 National Phonics Screening Check, will take place the week of 10th June after half-term. The children in Reception and Year 1 have a daily phonics lesson and Year 1 children have been working towards this end of year assessment since September. The

school has a comprehensive and balanced phonics programme in place and parents will have already been supporting their child at home by reading together and going through the weekly sounds. The check consists of 40 words for each Year 1 child to read. This is not a reading test and does not check understanding or any level of comprehension; it simply assesses a child's ability to decode a word phonetically. If you are interested in finding out more about the phonics check please click the link below. Phonics Screening Check - further Information can be found [here](#).

YEAR 4 MULTIPLICATION TABLES CHECK

The Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check will take place during the weeks of 3rd and 10th June after half-term. It is a statutory check that the children complete online. The check consists of 25 questions for each Year 4 child to respond to. They have 6 seconds in which to recall the answer. This is not a test which checks understanding, simply the ability to remember number facts.

Children begin learning the Multiplication Tables in Year 2 with the 2s, 5s, 10s. By Year 4 the National Curriculum expectation is that they should know all of the facts up to 12 x 12. Year 4 have been working hard on them, ensuring they have quick recall of the facts. Times Tables Rock Stars is a fantastic way of all children from Years 2 up to keep their tables knowledge sharp.

FINALLY

Year 5 will be having a great week after half-term where some are off to France on their residential trip and the others are having a fun French themed week here. Bon voyage to Year 5, I am sure that they will have a great time.

Have a good half-term week.

School starts again on **Tuesday 4th June**.

Best wishes



Mr. K. Ellis
Headteacher

Key Dates

June	
Monday 3rd	INSET DAY (school closed)
	Y5 Residential French Trip
Tuesday 4th	Start of Summer 2 term Y5 Activity week
Wednesday 5th	4B and 4C Buddhist Temple visit
Friday 7th	4A Buddhist Temple visit
Monday 10th	Whole School Photograph
	International Week
Friday 14th	International non-uniform day
Saturday 15th	Family Day 2.00 – 6.00pm
Wednesday 19th	Class photos
Monday 24th	Healthy Schools Week
	Key Stage 1 Sports Day Y1 and Y2 - 9.15 - 10.30am Reception - 10.45am – 12.00pm
Thursday 27th	Key Stage 2 Sports Day Y3 and Y4 - 9.15 - 10.30am Y5 and Y6 - 11.00am - 12.30pm

July	
Tuesday 2nd	Reserve Sports Day
Wednesday 3rd	Reception – Bocketts Farm
Thursday 4th	Share My Learning Evening - Reception to Y6 3.45 - 7.00pm
Friday 5th	INSET DAY (school closed)
Tuesday 9th	Y2 – Look Out Discovery Centre
Wednesday 10th	Reception Creepy Crawly Concert 9.10am in the hall
	Reception to Y1 Transition meeting in the dining hall (follows Creepy Crawly Concert)
Monday 15th	Optional Parent Consultation meeting
Tuesday 23rd	Nursery last day
Wednesday 24th	End of Summer term 2 – 1.30pm finish Wimbledon Chase Club 4.30pm finish