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Dear Parents / Carers,

As predicted half term was a busy week in school. The container that will replace the PE shed has arrived! It looks great. There are some pictures on the school website of the container arriving and being positioned. It was fascinating to watch. George Wimpy Homes delivered it free of charge for us, and are planning to send out one of their team to measure up for fitting it out with shelving. We certainly can't wait to move the PE equipment out of the old shed (which is really on its last legs!) into the new one. A big thanks to Wimpy Homes for all their support.

The most exciting news from the half term holiday is on a more personal level though. Miss Godden went on holiday to Cyprus over half term and has come back engaged! Congratulations have been shared amongst school staff – we are all very excited! I have suggested to her that she could get married in the Sensory Garden with Recorder Club playing for her, but she is not too sure that was ever her 'dream'! I am sure you would all like to join me in congratulating her once more.

This week has seen the successful launch of a new transition project for Y6 pupils that we are leading. All schools prepare children for the big move from Y6 to Y7, but this year we have decided to do things differently. We have worked with staff from both Selsted and The Churchill School to plan and organise some 'joint transition'. On Wednesday Y6 pupils from all 3 schools met with their teachers at the Community Centre and started their programme in their new school groups. It was lovely to see children from all 3 schools working together so well, and getting to know each other.

Finally, Mrs Chown (one of our TAs, and the lady who runs Dance Club on a Wednesday evening) has been studying for the last 3 years at the Royal Academy of Dance in London to become a fully qualified teacher of Ballet. It has been a very hard course – consisting of many written assignments and a couple of full weeks of practical exam sessions. She heard yesterday that she has passed! I feel very proud of her – And it is very powerful for children to see adults in the school learning in this way! Congratulations Mrs Chown – we are all very proud of you!

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Diary Dates

8th June – 19th June – Arts and Geography fortnight
19th June – Performance in Community Centre (PM) all welcome
25th June – Induction meeting for parents of children starting school in Sept
1st July – District Sports
6th July – Parents evening
7th July – Sports Day
18th July – Summer Fair
Monday 20th July – Last day, Prize Giving assembly, Y6 leavers disco

To be confirmed – Y6 leavers Performance

Remember:

Once a week, take a peek!
*Actual size of headlice
in stages of growth*



Please check your son
/ daughters hair this
weekend!

Watch this space for PTFA Summer Fair
updates.....!



Think about / talk about....

Are there more colours than 'things'?

Do you like fresh eggs?

A parent has been to see me this week to say that Serendipity sells Local Free Range Eggs for £1.70 a dozen (compared to a similar equivalent price at local supermarkets for 6!)

Arts and Geography fortnight

Arts and Geography fortnight starts on Monday. Children in Y56 will be learning about the Arts and culture of Nepal, Y34 children will be learning about Ireland, Y12 children about Scotland, and children in Spiders and Ladybirds will be learning more about The Arts and Geography of England. Please ask your child about it next week when they come home from school.

The Grand Finale performance will be on Friday 12th June at the Community Centre in the afternoon. Details to follow.

Mrs Hughes Money Saving Tip of the week

Hythe swimming pool are offering free swimming to all children every day - at any time. Let us know if you take advantage of this offer.



Info for parents of children in Y5

Important dates for planning your child's move to Secondary School

1st June – Registration opens for taking the Kent Test
10th July – Registration closes

15 & 16th September – Kent Test dates

19th October – Assessment decision sent to parents

6th November – SCAF closing date (the form on which you record your Secondary School choices on)

1st March – Your Secondary offer is sent to you.

Mr O'Brien and I will be attending a meeting on 15th July which will give us some more information. If you decided that you would like to enter your child for the Kent Test you can do that either

- on line –

or

- by filling out a paper application form (from the school office)

If you choose to fill out the paper form please return to Mrs Crook **BEFORE** 10th July and she will take them to the collection point.

If you have any further questions please come and ask!

Tescos / Sainsbury Vouchers.

Can I ask you to check your handbags / kitchen drawers for any spare vouchers you may have and hand them in before the end of the week? Thanks