



Spring Term 2 Newsletter 2024

Message from the Headteacher

This year seems to be going faster than ever! Over the last term our pupils have achieved and been involved in so many great events, activities and learning opportunities. We have had several year groups going on trips and visits to places and we have held our own special events in school including Science Week which was a fantastic week of activities, challenges and learning, and involved visitors into school to work with the children! Red Nose Day, World Book Day, Safer Internet Day are some of the many other events which our school pupils have all participated in.

As always, a busy and very positive term which, over the last two weeks has seen our Year 4 and Year 5 children present their own year group's performance to parents, family and the school.

Thank you for your ongoing support, interest and enthusiasm in our school. I hope you and your children enjoy the Easter break. Children are back in school on **Monday 15th April** and we will update you on the many events taking place in the summer term.

Dates for next term and for the **next academic year 2024-2025** are provided below and are always on our school website.

Andy Lyons

Headteacher

Attendance Report

Reception

93.92%

Year 1

95.95%

Year 2

96.42%

Year 3

95.79%

Year 4

95.38%

Year 5

95.49%

Year 6

94.41%

School total

95.35%

RM Unify

We would like to remind parents/carers that you are able to use your RM Unify account to update your details including:

- Childs Consents - such as food tasting, photo permissions and if they are allowed to walk home.
- **Your** contact details - including email addresses, phone numbers and home address - you will be asked to provide proof for address change.
- You can check your child's attendance and see if they have been marked as present - please remember that you will need to give the teachers time to mark and save the entire classes attendance, lunches and after school club information - we would recommend checking around 9:00am-9:10am.

You will have been sent this log in information last year.

If you have forgotten your log in details, please go to [RM Unify](#) and select forgotten password, you will need to use the email address you have given the school.

Please note: This is a different system to ParentPay, ParentPay is used for meal bookings/payments, school to parent communications and trip bookings/payments.



The Friends of Hampton Hargate PTA



This term The Friends of Hampton Hargate PTA arranged their amazing Easter egg raffle which we hope the children enjoyed, thank you to everyone who kindly donated Easter eggs and bought raffle tickets to allow this to happen. Thank you also to all of our Golden Ticket Raffle prize donators.

Over **100 eggs** were given out today and there were 20 lucky Golden Ticket Winners!

The money the PTA raise from these events directly impacts the school and supports your children, thank you for all your support with this cause.

The Friends of Hampton Hargate PTA are currently busy arranging some more exciting events for the coming term which as always, will be sent out via ParentPay so please do keep an eye on your account.



Artsmark Silver Award



**Artsmark
Silver Award**
Awarded by Arts
Council England

We are delighted to announce that our school has achieved an Artsmark Silver Award!

Artsmark is the creative quality standard for schools, accredited by Arts Council England. It supports them to develop and celebrate arts and cultural education across the whole curriculum, bringing learning to life for children and young people.

To gain the Artsmark Award, our school has worked to develop the arts and culture provision and embed a broad and balanced curriculum. This was achieved by creating an overall plan that was committed to and delivered across the whole school.

More information about how our school achieved the award can be found within the 'Art' section on the school website.

Thank you to Miss Barks, Miss Griffin, Mrs Wilmot and Mrs Firth who worked together to complete the application

Uniform expectations

Our children require:

- white polo shirts (KS1)
- white shirts and tie (KS2)
- a burgundy jumper or cardigan
- black or grey trousers or skirts
- black shoes

PE Kit is a plain white t-shirt and black shorts.

For full information on uniform please click [this link](#).





For logoed items, you can order online from Total Clothing or in their shop located on Oundle Road. Full details are on their website [HERE](#)

Items can also be purchased from other outlets, such as supermarkets. In addition to this, our Friends Association, when they have availability, hold second hand school uniform sales with good quality items which other children may have grown out of.

If you have any good quality clothing that your child has out grown, and you would like to kindly donate this, please feel free to drop this off to the office, please do not give to the class teacher as this can then get mixed up with lost property in the classrooms.

Year 6 Trip

Our Year 6's went on an amazing trip this term as part of their topic to The Black Country Living Museum, which is an award-winning open air museum that tells the story of one of the very first industrialised landscapes in Britain.

The children were able to dress up if they wished and experience what life was like in the past, including a Victorian style school lesson.

You can find out more about this amazing museum [here](#)





After School Arrangements



If anyone other than parents or carers are going to be collecting your child after school, whether this is another parent in the class or a friend/relative, you must make the class teacher **and** the school office aware.

As a matter of safeguarding we **WILL NOT** let any children go with anyone we have not been informed about, and will not let the child go until we have had clarification from parent/carer.

Sporting events

We were able to take a small group of children to a year 5 and 6 Hockey Festival at Peterborough Hockey Club and a group of year 3 and 4 girls to a Football Festival at Jack Hunt School. The pupils represented the school very well and they really enjoyed the opportunity to attend. It was fantastic to see the progress that the children made throughout the festivals and how their confidence grew.

We were also able to take a small group of year 3 and 4 children to a hockey festival last week at the City of Peterborough Hockey Club. Everyone showed great effort and sportsmanship throughout. We had both fantastic goals and amazing saves. The children worked well as a team and started to think tactically using their developing hockey skills.

Year 1 and 2 took part in a multi skills festival at Hampton College. The children were amazing and showed fantastic perseverance and teamwork skills. They worked extremely hard whilst learning new skills and we are very proud of them.

A huge well done to everyone who represented the school at all these events!











Science Word Aware

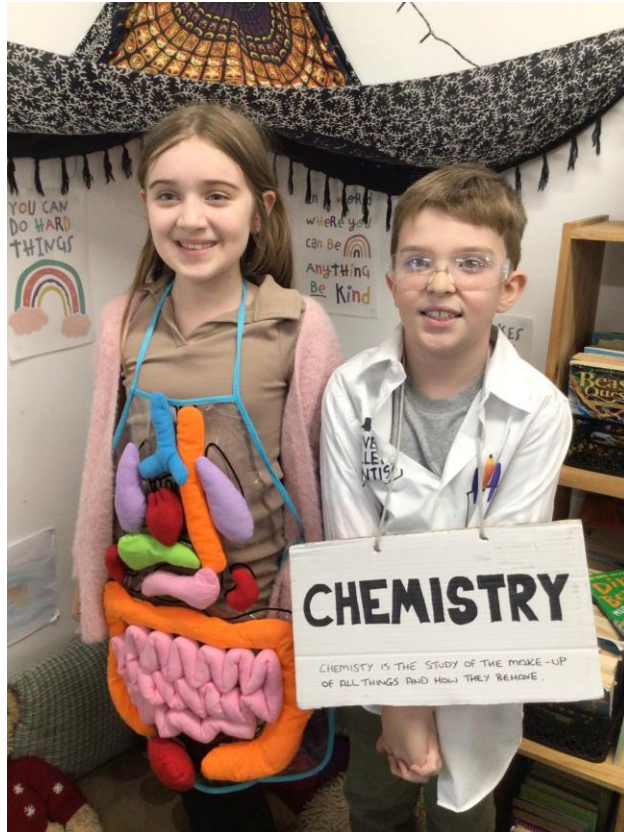
Our Word Parade took on a Science theme this year to celebrate World Book Day and Science Week!

You came up with some intriguing vocabulary and showed such creativity in how you presented your scientific words. Here are some examples...

Circuit, magnetic, orbit, chemistry, digestion, mammals, pioneer, hamster, astronomy, explosion, experiment, photosynthesis, force, static, hazardous, cumulus, snowflake, precipitation, sunny, lightning, neon amongst many, many more!















Safety first

Can we again remind parents/carers to please park and drive considerately if you are dropping your child off or collecting them from school in a car.

Whilst we appreciate it is very busy at drop off and collection times there are hundreds of children, including your own, who are coming in and out of school that we need to try and keep safe.

We have received multiple complaints from the local businesses regarding parent/carers parking in their private car parks and their attitude when challenged. We feel it is our duty to inform you that they are now considering employing a parking attendant with a view to fining those involved or clamping vehicles.

Can we please also remind parents that they should not be in our layby to drop off or collect children.

The layby is there to ensure access to the school at all times for the emergency services if they were required.



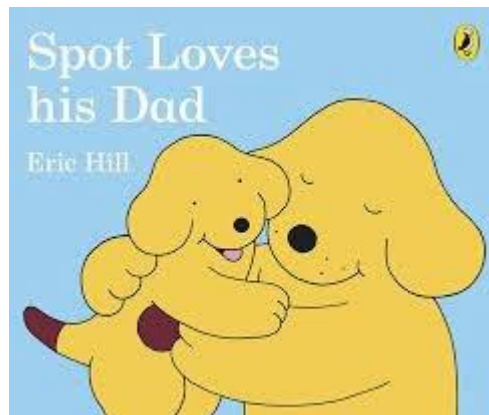
Reading Ambassadors

Our Reading Ambassadors continue think up new ways to encourage Reading for Pleasure. Thanks to our families' generous support of the Book Fair, our Ambassadors have been able to buy books from the authors our pupils have said they enjoy the most (coming soon!)

Our Year 6 Ambassadors have enjoyed creating these story time videos to share with younger children. Please enjoy!

[Midun's story time 'Spot Loves His Dad'](#)

[Sophie's story time 'The Tiger Who Came to Tea'](#)



Year 4 & 5 Performances

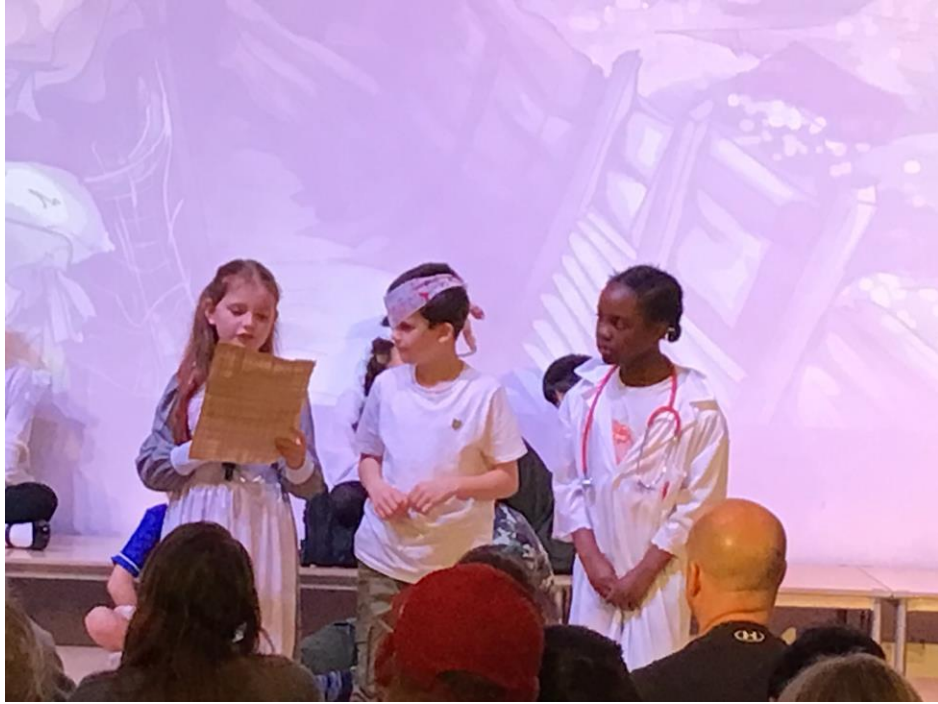
Well done to our Year 4 & 5 children who have put on four superb performances over the last two weeks. They have done incredibly well to put this together in a short space of time and with limited time in the hall for rehearsals.

They are two very positive and enthusiastic year groups, and they should be pleased and proud of their achievements.

Well done and thank you to the staff in Years 4 & 5 for their enthusiasm and hard work to make it happen.

Thank you to parents for supporting your child to learn their lines, lyrics and sorting costumes - the children really looked amazing.







Fundraising



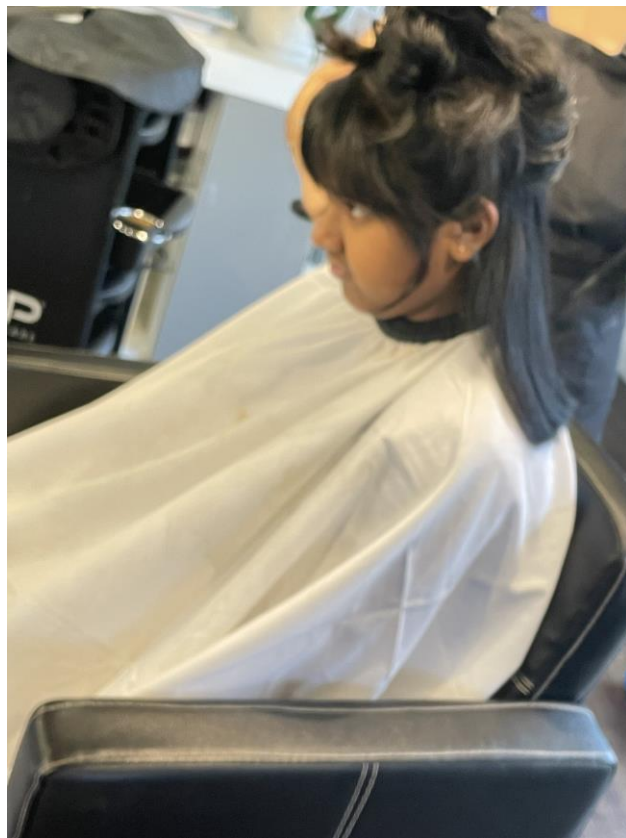
This term we had a non-uniform day for Comic Relief and raised an amazing **£467.55**

Thank you to everyone who kindly donated to this cause.

One of our pupils recently took part in a charitable event of their own outside of school.

Jewelah in Year 4 has donated her hair to Little Princess Trust, this charity uses lovely long hair donations from their supporters to make beautiful wigs for children and young people with hair loss, and has also raised £100 for this charity.

Find out more about this charity here: <https://www.littleprincesses.org.uk/>



Visitors



Year 2 took part in a fun and informative workshop about healthy eating. We learnt about the different food groups and what is included in a balanced diet. The session was lead by ABM, our school catering company. We are all going to be making plenty more visits to the salad bar during lunchtimes.



The children in Reception to Year 4 enjoyed a visit from Woodgreen animal shelter.

The children in reception learnt how to care for Harry the Hamster. Year 1 and 2 enjoyed taking part in an assembly and workshop, 'Woody's dog safety.' Year 3 and 4 were enthusiastic while taking part in a workshop, 'Do animals have feelings?'

Ideas for the holidays

Here are a few ideas to get you started off from our Family Support worker.

An indoor picnic - Throw down an old sheet or rug and make some sandwiches, fruit and yogurt etc.

Make an inside den - Drape an old blanket over the settee or corner of the bedroom. Put down some cushions and let the children make their own fun.

Crafts - from crochet, sewing to air fix models and everything in between - many charity shops have needles, wool and sewing kits that are donated to them. Poundland do some kits with glitter and glue etc. They also have paper, pens, and colouring books, maybe you could make a photo album or scrap book together.

Read a book together and talk about it afterwards .

Painting - Cover up the table or floor with newspaper, use washable paint and use your hands, feet or even potatoes!

Junk modelling - cereal boxes, egg boxes, toilet roll tubes, foil and bottle tops can be used to name a few.

Board games - Children love to play these especially if you are joining in. It also helps them learn a little patience by taking turns.

Cooking - Make some cakes, cookies, pizza or even an entire meal!

Have a film afternoon and eat some popcorn that you have made

Have a treasure Hunt - Hide some small items around your house, garden and give the children clues where to look.

Make musical instruments. Use dried seeds, beans or beads and yoghurt pots to make shakers, old tubs could be made into drums.

Children may say they are bored during the holidays, but that is absolutely normal and helps them learn to find things to do.



PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) DURING EASTER HOLIDAYS 2024
moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free



<p>ASDA Kids eat for £1 All Day, Every Day at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required.</p> <p>TESCO Kids eat free with a purchase of 60p+ from From Mon - Fri in Half Terms 2024</p> <p>SAINSBURYS CAFES Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.</p> <p>PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm</p> <p>THE REAL GREEK Kids under 12 eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult</p> <p>TGI FRIDAYS Kids Eat Free When 'Stripes Rewards Members' purchase an adult's main meal (App needed)</p> <p>PUREZZA Children under the age of 10 get free pizza at Purezza with every adult meal purchased</p> <p>TRAVELODGE & PREMIER INN Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free</p> <p>SIZZLING PUBS Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.</p> <p>BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!</p> <p>COCONUT TREE One child (10 & Under) eats free per paying adult. Valid from 23/03/2024 - 14/04/2024</p>	<p>MORRISONS Spend £4.49 and get one free kids meal all day, every day.</p> <p>GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants</p> <p>PRETO Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms</p> <p>WHITBREAD INNS Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased</p> <p>BELLA ITALIA Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Mon to Thurs.</p> <p>BILLS Two kids can eat free ALL DAY (Weekdays) from Monday 25th March - Friday 12th April 2024, with one adult main dish.</p> <p>DOBBIES GARDEN CENTRES At Dobbies, for every adult breakfast or lunch purchase, kids eat for FREE. Every Day!</p> <p>TABLE TABLE Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!</p> <p>IKEA Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am</p> <p>HUNGRY HORSE Kids eat for £1 on Mondays</p> <p>FUTURE INNS Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal.</p>
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Ideas for outside

Easter means new beginnings.

It is springtime and the long dark days are behind us now, the clocks go forward at the weekend and lighter brighter days are ahead.

Get outside, tend your garden, go for a walk, feed the ducks or maybe go for a bike or scooter ride.

Being outdoors and in nature has been proven to help both our physical and mental well health.

Sunshine is good for boosting immunity and mood, it is not just children who benefit but adults too.

Days out

These do not have to cost a fortune, look online or in newspapers and magazines for vouchers you may be able to use. Take a picnic with you to avoid paying for food out, maybe take a football or cricket set so if there is space you can have a game.

Some ideas locally:

Ferry Meadows

Nene Valley Railway

Central Park

Barnwell Park

Sacrewell farm

Hills and Hollows at Barnack

Fine shade woods

Burghley Park

Grimsthorpe Castle



Forest school donation

Wow! look at this fabulous Horse Chestnut tree that 2 of our children have grown from finding a conker! Mateusz and Tomasz are really proud of their achievement and are looking forward to seeing it grow once it has been planted in our Forest School area.



Reminders

Please can we remind parents/carers that any child who has been suffering with vomiting and/or diarrhoea should stay away from school until they have not been sick or had diarrhoea for at least 2 days (48 hours)

Please note that we abide by NHS guidelines with regard to illnesses, which you can find here - [Is my child too ill for school?](#)



Governor Update

We have recently welcomed 2 new Parent Governors - Mr Kwaku Adjepong and Mr Mohammed Ladak.



School Dinners



Booking lunches:

Please remember that you are able to book your child's meal by midnight the day before they are required, if no meal has been booked, they will be offered a jacket potato.

Can we also ask parents to please remember to **cancel** meals when they are not required. We will only cancel meals for children who are absent or on a trip. If you decide to send your child to school with a packed lunch instead, or you know they will have an appointment over lunch, **please cancel the booking you have made.**

*Please remember that we are a **nut free school** and this also includes donations, gifts and any birthday treats that are kindly brought in to share with the class.*



Vacancies



We currently have the following vacancy:

Site Officer: please find application form and person specification details [HERE](#)

You are able to check available vacancies anytime on our website [HERE](#)

Please remember...

ABSENCES: If your child is going to be absent from school, please make us aware as soon as possible by either leaving a message on our absence voicemail service or by emailing office@hampton-hargate.peterborough.sch.uk

The school office is open between 8:00am – 4:15pm, Monday – Friday.

You can find more information regarding attendance [HERE](#).

Lost Property



Over the term we have had a large amount of lost property including coats, cardigans and jumpers, bottles, snack boxes and more at the main entrance to the school.

Unfortunately, the items were not named so we were unable to reunite with owners, please can we ask parents to make sure **EVERYTHING** your child brings to school is named, this way we can reduce the amount of lost property we have and also get the items back to their rightful owners as quickly as possible.

We love our planet...



Don't forget to bring your used batteries into the school reception area and deposit in our battery bin for recycling.

Term Dates and Events for next year.



We have the following Class Assembly dates for your diary:

Tues 30th April - 2RW

Thurs 2nd May - 5NM

Thurs 9th May - 3HB

Thurs 16th May - RHT

Thurs 23rd May - 1LH

Letters will be sent home with further information after Easter.

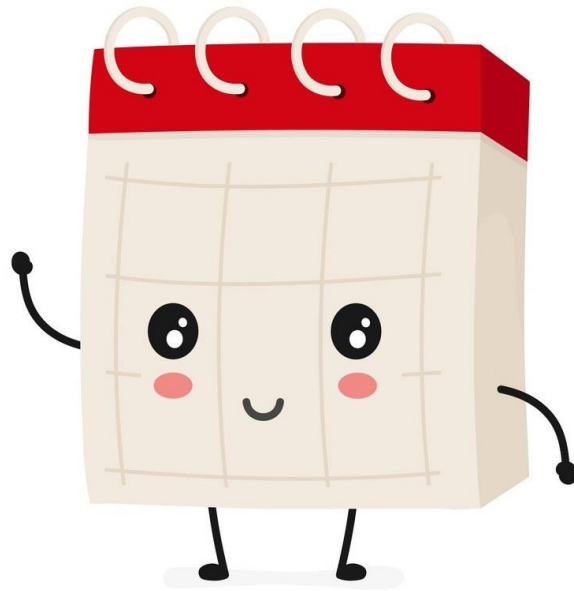
TERM DATES: These can also be found [HERE](#)

Summer term starts: Monday 15th April 2024

Bank Holiday: Monday 6th May 2024

Half-term week: Monday 27th May – Monday 3rd June (Please note – children return on **Tue 4th June**)

Summer term ends: Friday 19th July 2024



DIARY DATES: These can also be found [HERE](#) please remember to check these regularly.

SUMMER TERM 2024

APRIL 2024

Mon 15th Apr - Summer term starts for pupils

Thur 25th Apr - Junior STEM Year 2

Fri 26th Apr - Earth Day

Tues 30th Apr - Year 5 trip to National Space Centre

MAY 2024

Mon 6th May - Bank Holiday

W/B 13th May - KS2 SATs week

W/B 20th May - SPORTS WEEK

27th – 31st May - Half Term Week

JUNE 2024

W/B Tue 4th June - International Languages Week

Thur 6th June - Airport Day

Fri 7th June - Woburn Safari Trip Year 2

Sat 8th June - The Friends Big Picnic Event - Info coming soon

Tue 11th June - KS2 Sports Day – 9.15am – 11.15am

Wed 12th June - KS1 Sports Day – 9.15am – 11.15am

Thur 13th June - Reception Sports Day 9.15am – 10.30am

Thur 13th June - Fri 14th June - Sacrewell Residential Trip Year 4

Tue 18th June - **RESERVE** KS2 Sports Day – 9.15am – 11.15am

Wed 19th June - **RESERVE** KS1 Sports Day – 9.15am – 11.15am

Wed 19th - Fri 21st June - Year 6 Residential Week

Thur 20th June - **RESERVE** Reception Sports Day 9.15am – 10.30am

W/B 24th June - Year 6 Bikeability

Mon 24th June - Year 5 trip to Tallington Lakes

Tue 25th June - Year 5 trip to Tallington Lakes

Wed 26th June - Year 1 trip to Hammerton Zoo

Thur 27th June - Fri 28th June - Year 4 Sacrewell Residential Trip

JULY 2024

Wed 3rd July

Move up day TBC

Thurs 4th July

Reception visit to Sacrewell Farm

Year 4 Kwik Cricket Festival - change of date

Mon 8th July

Music Concert

Thur 11th July

Reports go home

Mon 15th July

Open Afternoon 3.15 – 6.00pm

Tue 16th July

Yr6 Performance 6.00pm

Fri 19th July

Yr6 Leaver Assembly (with parents) 9.00am

Fri 19th July

End of term

We will add more dates as they are confirmed.

Please always refer to [ParentPay](#), newsletters and letters sent home with your child for any late changes.

If you haven't signed up for the ParentPay service, please contact the school office.

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