



Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the Summer term, I trust you all had a relaxing and enjoyable break no doubt helped by the glorious weather we enjoyed!

It has been lovely to see the children arrive at school on time and so smartly dressed. With the Secondary School closed this week we were also delighted that all children have arrived with packed lunches each day – I hope this means many of you are making use of the School's App which sends notifications of upcoming events and reminders, it is a great way to keep in touch with what's happening at school. If you don't have it yet, details are below:

OurSchoolsApp is a personalised app for our school and will allow us to keep you all updated with school information, news, calendar events and contact information.

If you have a smartphone (Android or iPhone) you can download OurSchoolsApp from Google Play Android or the Apple Store for FREE. Access is also available on a tablet and iPad by following the same download process. When we update OurSchoolsApp with new information or news about the school, a push message notification will automatically be sent to your device to inform you of this update. You can then view the notification which will then take you directly to our app. Instructions for download:

1. Using your device (iPad, iPhone, smart pad, tablet or android phone), visit the relevant marketplace for your product (Apple Store or Google Play).
2. Search for 'OurSchoolsApp' and download the app.
3. Once downloaded, use the search bar within the app and enter the postcode or the name of the school.
4. Hit the search button.
5. Once you see the school name displayed, just touch the screen on the school name.
6. Confirm your choice by pressing 'OK'.
7. You will now be presented with the correct app for your chosen school which contains news, information, calendar events, contacts and any other relevant details.

If you do not have a smartphone you can still view the app and the information online at www.OurSchoolsApp.com.



Next week sees the start of the various different clubs provided by both school staff and external providers. This term clubs are available for all year groups from Reception to Year 6 including opportunities for the younger children to work with our sports coaches and a football and language session with Mr Gibson from C3 so please do get your child involved. Please see attachments.

Kind regards,

Suzanne Webb

Key Dates for this term:

Event	Date
SATs Week	8th-11th May
INSET Days	25th and 26th May
Hindhead (year 6)	19th -23rd June
Music Concert	5th July
Open Sessions	6th July 2.45-3.15pm, 7th July 8.15-8.45am
Secondary Transfer Day / Meet the Teacher	13th July
Year 6 Play	19th July 7pm
Leaver's Assembly	20th July 10.30am

Term-time Absences

Whilst I appreciate the discrepancies between the primary and secondary school holidays dates have caused problems for some families this term, may I remind you pupils should not be taken out of school for holidays during term time. Not only does this practice disrupt your child's learning it also causes problems for the teachers who have to find time to try and 'catch up' lessons that are missed when key learning concepts have been covered during the child's absence. For some pupils who miss several days of school, an entire topic can be omitted from their schooling as in some classes topics and subjects are 'blocked' to facilitate sharing resources or to allow adequate time for practical activities. The schools' records show that, in total, 90 sessions were missed for unauthorised holiday over the last week of the Spring Term and first week of this term. Your future co-operation is very much appreciated.

Top Bananas

These children received Bananas Awards today for 'Making a positive start to the Summer term'

C1	Lucy	C12	Hugo	C2	Isabel
C3	Evan, Amelia	C34	Loukas	C4	Ben
C5	Kirstie	C56	Brendan, Maddie	C6	Caitlin, Elsa

Pizza Express

On Wednesday Chaffinches walked down to Pizza Express in Harpenden to make our own pizzas. We had lovely weather and the sun shone on us. With the help of our parent helpers we walked quickly down the hill. After we washed our hands, the children began stretching out the dough to fit it in the pizza pans. Next the tomato sauce was spooned on top; a few children had 'lucky' basil leaves in their sauce. Lots of mozzarella was sprinkled on top. It took us a bit longer to walk back to school but we made it in time for lunch, just! We took our delicious pizzas home at the end of the day. *Mrs Down*

Cake Sale

The Digital Leaders wish to thank the school community for supporting the cake sale. We are pleased to say that we raised £76.30 which we shall soon be investing in apps for our school.

E-Safety Tip: Set boundaries in the online world just as you would in the real world. Think about what your child might see, what they share, who they talk to and how long they spend online and set clear boundaries to help develop on line behaviours.