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Dear Parents

Welcome back to school for what I hope will be a busy and productive summer term with many opportunities to celebrate the pupils' achievements, from Sports Day and assemblies to the Early Years' Celebration and Prize Giving Day. You will find more details about the calendar towards the end of this letter.

A special welcome goes to the new children joining the school at the start of this term; we hope that they and their families will soon feel part of the Coopersale Hall family.

SUMMER UNIFORM

Please note that all pupils should be wearing summer uniform; this may be worn until the half term in October 2016, weather permitting! A full list of uniform items can be found on our website. For a complete list of the summer uniform click on the link to Forest Casualwear, the school's uniform supplier. They are open from 9am to 5.30pm from Monday to Saturday, but also operate a website for direct mail order at www.forestcasualwear.co.uk/acatalog/Coopersale_Hall.html.

MOVING UP DAY

The annual Class Swap Day will take place on Wednesday 5 July. Pupils from all classes will spend the afternoon with their new class teachers from where they can be collected at the end of the day so that you can briefly meet the staff. Further details will be published nearer the time.

STAFF NEWS

Mrs Anna Doherty will be on maternity leave from Friday 5 May and we look forward to seeing her baby later in the term. We are fortunate to have Mrs Mary Hall-Green taking over from Mrs Doherty for the full year when she goes on maternity leave. Mrs Hall-Green is very experienced and has worked at a variety of primary and secondary schools including Chase High School, Haberdashers' Aske's Federation and Pitsea Junior School. We are planning a week's handover during which time she will be working with children, staff and parents to ensure a smooth handover and continuity of SEND provision.

TESTS WEEKS

InCAS tests will take place the week beginning 15 May for Years 1-6. PIRA (Reading) will be the week beginning 22 May and PUMA (Maths) testing will take place the week beginning 12 June.

PERFORMING ARTS SHOWCASE

Our Years 3-6 have had a busy music schedule with Young Voices and the Oak-Tree Festival and this term they will be rehearsing for our production of the Lion King. As you will appreciate this requires a considerable amount of rehearsal. As a result we have decided to replace our KS2 Prom Concert with a Performing Arts Showcase to be held at 9.00 on Friday 12 May to which all parents are invited. The concert will include performances by soloist instrumentalists, speech and drama and our school choir.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUESTS

Please would parents seek to ensure that they do not arrange holidays in school time for pupils from Transition upwards. The term dates are published well in advance, sent to parents and displayed on the website and App. Taking a week, or even a few days, out of school is disruptive to learning and may affect progress. On the very rare occasions when you have no alternative but to request a leave of absence, please try to do this at least two weeks in advance so that teachers are aware and can plan accordingly.

REMINDER ABOUT PUPIL ABSENCE

We have a dedicated email address for pupil absences. If your child is unable to attend school due to illness or an unforeseen problem, please email the details to absence@coopersalehallschool.co.uk. Please email daily if the absence is ongoing. It is also possible to telephone the school to inform the office. If your child is going to be absent for any other reason, we have a request for leave of absence form available from the office.

REMINDER ABOUT SIGNING IN

All parents should sign in at the school office if they are on the school site during the day or after school whether for a late arrival of a pupil or for a meeting with staff. Please make the office your first port of call.

WEBSITE

Our new website has now been launched and can be accessed as usual through www.coopersalehallschool.co.uk. The site has been given a fresh, modern look that should help when looking for the latest news items, policies and general information. The App will be next, so watch this space.

MEDICAL, ABSENCE AND EYFS SESSION FORMS

These forms are now available to download from <http://www.coopersalehallschool.co.uk/forms-to-complete>.

WEAR RED DAY FOR THE RED CROSS

Pupils are invited to wear red and pay a £1 in aid of the Red Cross. A special assembly will be held to tell the children all about the important of the organisation.

Lastly, congratulations to our Year 6 pupils for their excellent examination results. These have been published on our website.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Thursday 27 April	Swimming Lessons start – (Years 5 & 6) – Ongar Pool - am Cricket club starts with Mr Robinson – 3.30pm-4.30pm – (Years 4-6) Fencing starts – 3.10pm-4.00pm & 4.10pm-5.00pm Multi Sports starts – 3.10pm-4.10pm Piano lessons start - during school hours Speech & Drama club starts – lunchtime
Friday 28 April	Yoga starts – 7.45am-8.30am Nifty Fingers starts – 8.25am-8.45am Art club starts – 3.30pm-4.40pm Drama clubs starts – 3.15pm-4.15pm & 4.15pm-5.15pm Piano lessons start – during school hours Tennis club starts with David Watson & Joy Cambridge – 3.30pm-4.30pm
Monday 1 May	BANK HOLIDAY
Tuesday 2 May	Netball Match @ Home v Oaklands – 3.30pm-5pm
Wednesday 3 May	Art Club Finishing at 5pm today Tennis club with Mr Robinson starts – 3.30pm-4.30pm Year 3 Trip to Epping Forest Field Study Centre – 10.00am-3.00pm Transition Prom to School – 2pm-3pm
Thursday 4 May	Swimming Lessons Years 5 & 6 – Ongar Pool - am Transition Prom to Parents – 9am-10am

Monday 8 May	Photographer Here – Taking Class photos – Team Photos – Year 6 Leaving Photo - am Golf Lessons start – 3.30pm-5.00pm Gym club starts – 3.30pm-4.45pm Rainbows starts – 3.15pm-4.15pm Science club starts (Year 1) – 3.15pm-4.15pm Sparks club starts – 8.25am-8.45am Clean for the Queen – Recycling Lorry visiting School
Tuesday 9 May	Wear Something Red for Red Cross – Bring a £1 – Whole School
Wednesday 10 May	NO Art Club today
Thursday 11 May	Science Club starts – Year 6 – Mrs Carter – 3.30pm-4.30pm Swimming Lessons Years 5 & 6 – Ongar Pool – am
Friday 12 May	Transition Classes Trip to Willows Farm – 9am-3pm Junior Performing Arts Showcase – 9am-10am – Parents Welcome
Tuesday 16 May	NO Chess Club today
Thursday 18 May	Swimming Gala - Ongar Pool – Junior Children – 9am-11.30am – Parents Welcome
Friday 19 May	1Daly Class Assembly – followed by coffee with Miss Lovejoy – 9am
Monday 22 May	Year 6 Trip to Gunpowder Mills – Victorian Times – 9am-3.30pm Gym Display to Parents (Children from Gym club) – 4pm-4.30pm
Tuesday 23 May	Gym Display to school – 9am-9.30am Year 5 attending Queenswood School Play - pm
Wednesday 24 May	KS1 Prom Performance to School – 9am-10am Year 5 Taster Day at Brentwood School - am
Thursday 25 May	KS1 Prom Performance to Parents – 9am-10am
Friday 26 May	LAMDA Exams
Monday 5 June	Science Week
Tuesday 6 June	Tiddly Prom to School (Lower & Upper Kindergarten children) – 9am
Monday 12 June	NO Rainbows today Infants Sports Day – 1.15pm Dress Rehearsal for Lion King to the School – 9am
Tuesday 13 June	Year 6 Trip to Crucial Crew – 8am-11.45am Tiddly Prom to Parents (Lower & Upper Kindergarten children) – 9am Junior Sports Day – 1.45pm
Wednesday 14 June	UKB Trip to Hayes Hill Farm – 9am-3pm Lower Kindergarten Sports Day – 9am Lion King Performance to Parents – Junior Children – 2pm-3pm

Thursday 15 June UKT Trip to Hayes Hill Farm – 9am-3pm
Oak-Tree General Knowledge quiz – By Invitation – 4pm-5.30pm
Lion King Performance to Parents – Junior Children – 6pm-7pm

Friday 16 June UKC Trip to Hayes Hill Farm – 9am-3pm

Monday 19 June Years 5 & 6 Kingswood Trip

Tuesday 20 June Years 5 & 6 Kingswood Trip
1B Class Assembly followed by coffee with Miss Lovejoy – 9am

Wednesday 21 June Years 5 & 6 Kingwood Trip

Thursday 22 June Upper Kindergarten Sports Day – 9am

Thursday 22 June Years 5 & 6 Epping Forest Walk

Friday 23 June Stubbers Outdoor Centre Visit – Years 5 & 6 – am/pm
TB Class Assembly followed by coffee with Miss Lovejoy – 9am

Tuesday 27 June Den Day – Save the Children Fund

Wednesday 28 June District Athletics Tournament – By Invitation – am
Display of Work Evening – 4pm-7pm

Friday 30 June TP Class Assembly followed by coffee with Miss Lovejoy – 9am
Early Years New Parents Meeting – 2pm

Monday 3 July Last Rainbows of the Term

Tuesday 4 July Early Years' Celebration of the Year – LK/UK/TRANS - 1.30pm-2.30pm – All Parents
Prize Giving – Infants & Juniors – 4pm – 6pm - All Parents

Wednesday 5 July Moving Up Day – Whole School

Friday 7 July District Rounders Tournament – By Invitation – 9am - 12 Noon

Tuesday 11 July Picnic in the Park – FOCHS Event – Whole School – 1pm-4pm

Thursday 13 July Last Day of Summer Term 2017

Wednesday 6 Sept First Day of Autumn Term 2017

Yours sincerely



Kaye Lovejoy
Headmistress

