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Dear Parents

We have had a busy, but enjoyable start to the Spring Term and February brings a host of different events and activities. Do check our website for all the latest news and pictures.

Our Year 6 children have been working extremely hard; the majority of whom have sat challenging entrance examinations for various senior independent schools throughout January. They have all continued to fulfil their prefect duties every day and acted as role models to the younger children of the school despite the pressure of the examinations. They are a credit to Coopersale Hall and to you, their parents, and we are very proud of them. We shall all be waiting with baited breath for the results, but congratulations are to be given to our four Haileybury scholarship award winners – Arwen, Charlotte, Uma and Zoe. A full list of the results will be published on our website when all senior schools have released them.

Congratulations also to our Karate Team who won the District Karate tournament for the first time, a super result.

Staff

As many of you will know Mrs Daly, Year 2, has had to take time off work to care for her daughter. We are pleased to welcome Mrs Vincenza Thompson to Year 2. Mrs Thompson is a very experienced teacher and I am sure that children will thrive under her care and teaching.

Assemblies

This month Emma-Jane will be hosting our annual Scottish Dancing assembly – always a treat for parents and pupils. Year 2 will be presenting their class assemblies to their parents.

Coffee Mornings

Thank you to all those of you who were able to join Mr Hagger and me at one of our coffee mornings in January. We value your comments and have been delighted with the positive feedback and useful suggestions.

Drop-in Mornings– 8.00am to 8.45am

We hope that you enjoyed our Drop In morning this week. On Wednesday 21 March parents are invited to view their children's work with their children. These mornings provide an opportunity for the children to show and discuss their work with their parents and whilst teachers will be present, parents wishing to discuss any matters in detail should arrange a separate time.

Pancake Races

We are celebrating Shrove Tuesday on Tuesday 20 February. All children participate in the fun pancake tossing relay races. Our older pupils help the younger ones. Parents are very welcome to watch the races, held on the astro turf. A timetable will be issued shortly.

Snow

Hopefully we are past the worst of the weather but should there be a snowfall, the following applies: our 'Blue Team' work hard to keep the lane clear and we try to keep the disruption to the children's education to a minimum, parents should check the website for updates and announcements in the event of heavy snow. We will also aim to text parents by 7.15am.

Medical Matters

I should like to reiterate to parents that all pupils should be kept off school for at least 48 hours following a sickness bug. Also if they have started a course of antibiotics they should also be kept off school for the first 48 hours whilst taking the medication. This is to contain the spread of infection as far as possible. Likewise, if your child is taken ill at school, you will be asked to collect them immediately.

Reports

We shall be publishing the half yearly reports to the Parent Portals on Friday 23 February. Please look out for a reminder so you can access your child's report. Please discuss any issues arising with your class teacher or myself.

Safer Internet Day

Tuesday 6th February is Safer Internet Day. In computing lessons, for that week, the children will be completing various activities that will remind them of the importance of responsible and respectful internet use. They will be discussing and writing internet rules, which will raise the awareness of how to stay safe; designing posters and leaflets to promote internet safety and discussing who they need to talk to if anything worries them online. Parents may like to discuss these issues with their children following the lessons.

Drop Off Lane

Please note that this lane should be kept clear at all times for access. It would be appreciated if parents using this facility do not linger longer than necessary to ease congestion.

Forthcoming Events

Thursday 1 Feb	Years 3 & 4 Swimming Lessons Year 5 Coffee Morning with Miss Lovejoy & Mr Hagger – 9am
Friday 2 Feb	Transition Biddle Class Assembly – followed by coffee with Miss Lovejoy – Parents Welcome – 9am
Monday 5 Feb	Year 1 Scottish Dancing Display in Assembly - Parents Welcome – 9am Football Match 'A' Team - @ Shooters Football Centre North Weald 3.45pm-4.45pm
Wednesday 7 Feb	Year 4 Trip to Roald Dahl Museum – AM/PM
Thursday 8 Feb	Years 3 & 4 Only Swimming Gala – Parents Welcome – Ongar Pool – 9.30am start
Friday 9 Feb	Transition Rooks Class Assembly – followed by coffee with Miss Lovejoy - Parents Welcome – 9am ISA Mixed TAG Rugby Tourna. @Bancroft's Rugby Club – By Invitation Only – 12-4pm

Half Term Holidays - Monday 12 February – Friday 16 February 2018

Tuesday 20 Feb	Pancake Races – Whole School – Parents Welcome - 9am-10am
Wednesday 21 Feb	Art Club finishing at 5pm Year 6 Magistrate Visiting - AM
Thursday 22 Feb	Years 5 & 6 Swimming Lessons start
Friday 23 Feb	Art Club finishing at 5pm NO YOGA CLUB
Monday 26 Feb	Football Match 'A' Team - @ Shooters Football Centre North Weald 3.45pm-4.45pm
Wednesday 28 Feb	Art Club finishing at 5pm
Thursday 1 March	Years 5 & 6 Swimming Lessons Years 3-6 Prep Schools Cross Country Relays – By Invitation 1.15pm
Friday 2 March	Art Club finishing at 5pm Year 2D Class Assembly–followed by coffee with Miss Lovejoy - Parents Welcome – 9am
Tuesday 6 March	OPEN MORNING – All Parents Welcome – 9.15am Arrival – Miss Lovejoy speaking at 9.30am
Wednesday 7 March	Bancroft's Netball Tournament (By Invitation) - AM/PM Art Club finishing at 5pm
Thursday 8 March	Years 5 & 6 Swimming Lessons Years 3-6 Local Schools Cross Country Relays – By Invitation – 1.15pm
Friday 9 March	Art Club finishing at 5pm Year 2F Class Assembly – followed by coffee with Miss Lovejoy - Parents Welcome – 9am

Monday 12 March Year 6 Bikeability Course – Group 1 - AM/PM
Football Match 'A' Team - @ Shooters Football Centre North Weald 3.45pm-4.45pm

Tuesday 13 March Last Chess Club of the term
Year 6 Bikeability Course – Group 1 – AM/PM

Wednesday 14 March NO ART CLUB
Years 3-6 Performing Arts Showcase – Parents Welcome – 9.15am-10.15am

Thursday 15 March Years 5 & 6 Swimming Lessons

Friday 16 March Year 2C Class Assembly – followed by coffee with Miss Lovejoy – Parents Welcome – 9am
NO ART CLUB

Monday 19 March Year 6 Bikeability Course – Group 2 – AM/PM

Tuesday 20 March Year 6 Bikeability Course – Group 2 – AM/PM

Wednesday 21 March Upper Kindergarten – Year 6 Drop-In Morning - Parents Welcome 8am-9am
Art Club finishing at 5pm

Thursday 22 March Years 5 & 6 Swimming Lessons

Friday 23 March Art Club finishing at 5pm
Piano Assembly – By Invitation – 9am

Monday 26 March FOCHS Easter Animals Visit – AM/PM

Tuesday 27 March Netball Tournament (By Invitation)- at St. Andrews School North Weald – AM

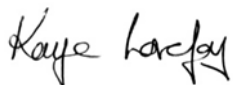
Wednesday 28 March - Last Day of Spring Term 2018 - Easter Holidays

Term ends at 11.30am for Early Years
11.45am for Years 1 & 2
12pm for Years 3-6

Thursday 19 April - Back to School - First Day of Summer Term 2018

With kind regards

Yours sincerely



Kaye Lovejoy
Headmistress

