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Dear Parents

Although it has only been a few weeks since my April letter at the end of last term, there are a number of important things to share in the Headmistress's letter.

Summer Ball

There are only three weeks to go to the social event of the year! The Oak-Tree Ball is going to be a wonderful event and there are plans in place for a super evening with lots to enjoy. Thank you to all of those parents who have already made arrangements to come. Any proceeds from the Ball will be given to the parents' associations and will be put back into the schools to benefit the children, so it is well worth supporting it. The evening will be packed with music, food, dancing, raffles and Casino Royale entertainment!

This is an event not to be missed, but there is still time to purchase your tickets. Please complete your booking form, mark your menu choices and seating preferences and return it with your payment. If you have any queries or require some assistance in making your booking, then either speak to FoCHS directly or email Emma Curtis at Head Office via bookings@oaktreeschools.co.uk. I look forward to seeing many of you there.

Summer Uniform

As from the beginning of the Summer Term, all children should be wearing summer uniform. A full list of uniform items can be found on our website or by clicking 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 forestcasualwear.co.uk/acatalog/CoopersaleHall.html. It is important that all the children are looking smart wearing the official school uniform every day.

Drinking Water

Keeping well hydrated, particularly in warm weather is essential. To ensure that the children are drinking a sufficient amount of water during the day, please send your child with a named, reusable, non-spill drinks container that they can keep in their classroom.

Assessment Weeks

During the weeks beginning Monday 6, 13 and 20 May, pupils from Year 1 to Year 6 will be taking their termly Maths and English tests and annual InCas assessment tests. InCas are online tests so the pupils will go to the Computer Room. The children will be tested in mental maths, general maths, reading and spelling. The results of these assessments will appear on your child's end of summer term report. There will no additional preparation for these needed at home.

Sports Day

This year all our sports day events are going to be held on one day, Wednesday 12 June, as follows:

9am to 9.30am Lower Kindergarten Sports Day 9.30am to 10am **Upper Kindergarten Sports Day** 10.30am to 12 Noon Reception & Years 1 & 2 Sports Day

1.45pm to 3.15pm Years 3 - 6 Sports Day Parents, families and friends are most welcome to join us for the events, which are real highlights in the school calendar. Your support is always much appreciated by the children; lots of cheering and clapping is a wonderful encouragement for them!

Parents' Evenings

There will be two Parents' Evenings this term on Tuesday 21 May from 3.30pm - 7pm and Thursday 23 May from 3.30pm - 6pm. Parents should book appointments via their Parent Portals. Subject Specialists will be available to speak to staff in the Hall; Mrs Carter will be in the Science Room.

Moving Up Day

The annual 'Moving Up Day' will take place on Monday 8 July. Pupils from the Early Years up to Year 6 will spend the afternoon with their new class teachers and parents will have the opportunity to come into the class in the afternoon to collect the children and meet the teachers. New pupils joining our Early Years classes will visit on Friday 28 June.

Late Arrival Reminder

The morning is an important time of the day so please try to ensure that you arrive in time for registration. The teachers do a variety of work with the children on arrival including making up work missed through absence, reading, verbal reasoning, maths skills and handwriting. Please sign in at the office if you arrive after 8.45am.

New Play Area

Many of you have commented on the space created by the removal of the fencing by the terrace lawn. The work on this area is ongoing to create a new play area on the grass with plenty of shade provided by the trees. New additional fencing will ensure the safety of the area. We have also purchased from monies raised by the various children's events, two new tables and several new outdoor games, including a giant Jenga and large dominoes!

Fire Alarm

May I remind parents of the correct procedures to follow in the event of the fire alarm sounding.

Staff and pupils have regular fire drills to rehearse our procedures. If you are on site when an alarm sounds:

- Do not enter any of the buildings for any reason. Do not walk through the courtyard or along the terrace looking for your child. Everybody on site will be evacuated and staff will be looking after the children.
- Staff will bring children to the muster station beyond the terrace lawn. If you have children with you (on the way to dropping off or having picked up), please take him/her to the muster station to be accounted for.
- If you are still in your vehicle, then please park in the car park and exit lane and await instructions from staff. Do not drive away from the school in case you inadvertently block access for emergency vehicles.
- You will be informed when it is safe to enter the area

Recycling Old School Uniform

With the change of some school uniform items, Mrs Barlow will not be accepting any further donations this term. However, we shall be pleased to accept items that will no longer be uniform for recycling. Mrs Lane will be spearheading the uniform recycling due to her personal links with a charity that will send it to Africa. She has already taken several loads herself. We shall be writing to parents shortly with further details.

Forthcoming Events

Wednesday 1 May Bancroft's Swimming Gala – By Invitation 12pm-4.30pm

Art Club finishing at 5pm
NO TENNIS WITH MR ROBINSON

Out of the Box starts

Sparks starts

Thursday 2 May Multi Sports starts

Speech & Drama starts

Science Club with Mrs Carter for Year 6 starts

Swimming for Years 5 & 6 starts

Reception Parents Workshop – Phonics – 9am-10am

Friday 3 May Haileybury Rocks – Year 6 – By Invitation – All Day

Nifty Fingers starts Art Club finished at 5pm

Monday 6 May BANK HOLIDAY – MAY DAY

Tuesday 7 May NO VIOLIN

Wednesday 8 May Art Club finishing at 5pm

Girls U11 Football Cup @ St. Nicholas School – By Invitation

Thursday 9 May Year 1 Trip to Epping Forest – All Day

Friday 10 May Ragged School Trip for Year 6 – AM/PM

2Crick Class Assembly followed by coffee with Miss Lovejoy – 8.50am

Art Club finishing at 5pm

Monday 13 May Trip to Stubbers Adventure Centre for Years 5 & 6 – Upminster – 9.45am-4.20pm

Tuesday 14 May Trip to Epping Forest for Years 5 & 6 – 1pm-3.30pm

Violin on (Twice this week to make up for missed lesson)

Wednesday 15 May Trip to Kingswood in Norfolk for Years 5 & 6

Art Club finishing at 5pm

Thursday 16 May Years 5 & 6 at Kingswood Norfolk.

Trip for Year 3Davis to Imperial War Museum – All Day

Swimming for Year 3Graves & Year 4

Friday 17 May Trip for Year 3Graves to Imperial War Museum – All Day

Years 5 & 6 return from Kingswood

Art Club finishing at 5pm

Violin on (Twice this week to make up for missed lesson)

Tuesday 21 May Parents Evening – Reception to Year 6 – 3.30pm -7pm

Wednesday 22 May Art Club finishing at 5pm

Thursday 23 May Swimming Gala for Years 5 & 6 - Ongar Pool – 9.30am-10.45am

Parents Evening – Reception to Year 6 – 3.30pm-6pm

Friday 24 May 1Allen Class Assembly followed by coffee with Miss Lovejoy – 8.50am

Art Club finishing at 5pm

MONDAY 27 MAY TO FRIDAY 31 MAY HALF TERM HOLIDAYS

BACK TO SCHOOL MONDAY 3 JUNE

Monday 3 June Brentwood Taster Morning for Year 5 – AM

Meeting for Parents – French Trip – Years 4, 5, & 6 – 3.30pm-4.30pm

Tuesday 4 June Photographs being taken of Groups, Music, Sports & Year 6 – From 9.30am

Wednesday 5 June Art Club finishing at 5pm

Friday 7 June NO ART CLUB

Tuesday 11 June Year 6 Trip to Crucial Crew – AM
Wednesday 12 June SPORTS DAYS FOR WHOLE SCHOOL

Lower Kindergarten – 9am-9.30am Upper Kindergarten – 9.30am-10.00am Reception & Years 1 & 2 – 10.30am-12 Noon

Years 3, 4, 5, & 6 - 1.45pm-3.15pm

Art Club finishing at 5pm

Thursday 13 June Swimming for Year 3

Trip to France for Years 4, 5, & 6

Friday 14 June Art Club finishing at 5pm

Monday 17 June Trip to Colchester Zoo for Reception Classes – All Day

Trip to Barbican to see LSO for Years 1 & 2 – All Day

Wednesday 19 June Tiddly Prom – Lower & Upper Kindergarten Children – 9am – Parents welcome

Art Club finishing at 5pm

Thursday 20 June Swimming for Years 5 & 6

Friday 21 June Art Club finishing at 5pm

Cinderella Rockafella Dress Rehearsal – 1.30pm-3pm

Monday 24 June Cinderella Rockafella – Performance to Parents – 6pm-7pm

Tuesday 25 June Cinderella Rockafella – Performance to Parents – 6pm- 7pm

Wednesday 26 June Art Club finishing at 5pm

Athletics Tournament Years 3-6 by Invitation @ Mark Hall School – 2.30pm-3.30pm

Thursday 27 June Swimming for Years 5 & 6

Trip to Colchester Zoo for Year 2 Classes – All Day

Friday 28 June Art Club finishing at 5pm

Meeting for New Parents joining in September 1.30-3pm

Tuesday 2 July Early Years' Celebration of the Year – Parents Welcome – 1.30pm-3pm

Key Stages 1 & 2 – Prize Giving – 4pm – 6pm

Wednesday 3 July Picnic in the Park – All Children – All Parents – 12pm-4pm

Art Club finishing at 5pm

Friday 5 July Rounders' Tournament Years 5 & 6 – By Invitation – in Ongar – AM

Monday 8 July Moving Up Day for Pupils

LAST DAY OF SUMMER TERM 2019 - SUMMER HOLIDAYS

WEDNESDAY 10 JULY SCHOOL FINISHING TIME 11.30AM FOR EARLY YEARS 11.45AM FOR YEARS 1 & 2 12PM FOR YEARS 3-6

I hope you and your children have an enjoyable and rewarding term.

With kind regards

Kaye Larefay

Kaye Lovejoy

Headmistress



