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Dear Parents

I hope that you all had an enjoyable half term; half way through the year already and the signs of Spring are brightening the countryside!

11+ Entrance Examinations

For our Year 6 pupils and parents, January and February have been nerve wracking times. From the Summer Term of Year 5 through the Autumn Term of Year 6, the pupils have been working extremely hard preparing for their entrance examinations to a variety of different independent schools. They persevered to complete numerous practice papers, tackling complex sample questions and revisiting areas where they were not 100% secure.

I am delighted to write that our pupils have again done exceedingly well and have all been awarded places at their chosen schools. Most are in the enviable position of having some difficult choices to make as they received several offers. I am immensely proud of them all for their consistent hard work, but also for their empathy and caring and supportive attitude towards each other.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff for the excellent standard of teaching they enthusiastically and consistently provide to the pupils and the outstanding pastoral care that surrounds every child and helps maintains the 'family' atmosphere of the school.

Further details of the results will be found on our website once all the offers have been finalised.

Open Morning – Tuesday 3 March

You are welcome to come to our Open Morning. Prospective parents will have the opportunity to see the school at work and to hear more about what is happening at school. Current parents are also welcome to come and look around. Sometimes our Early Years' parents enjoy coming to see the juniors, to give them a flavour of the style of lessons in the upper part of the school. Refreshments will be available from 9am in the Hall. I shall be giving a short talk at 9.30am with tours commencing at 9.45am. My successor, Miss Moreen Barnard will also be attending.

I am very grateful to all of the Year 6 and 5 pupils who are helping out and being guides for the morning. Thanks also to the FoCHS committee who are helping to serve refreshments and to meet prospective families.

Musical Showcase

On Wednesday 4 March at 9am our Years 3-6 will be presenting a Musical Showcase featuring many of our young, talented musicians. Parents are most welcome to attend.

Drop in Mornings – Reception to Year 6

There is another opportunity for parents to see their children's work from 8am-8.30am for Reception, Years 1 and 2 on Tuesday 24 March and for Years 3-6 on Monday 23 March.

World Book Day

The whole school is celebrating this special themed day on Thursday 5 March. The children have been asked to come to school dressed as a character from their favourite book. Please remember to dress the children in sensible shoes and a warm coat for playtime. There will be special assemblies organised by Mr Reich-Storer. I would be grateful if each child could bring a donation of a £1 which we will be sending to Water Aid International. Thank you for your support.

May Bank Holiday

Although a little way off, please note that the early May Bank Holiday has moved this year from its usual position on a Monday to Friday 8 May. This means that the long weekend will coincide with the extended 75th anniversary celebrations of VE Day.

Late Arrival

Please note that all our teachers begin working with their pupils from 8.30am. It would be helpful if pupils could arrive earlier than 8.45am so that they can join in the pre-registration work that is useful for consolidating learning.

Security

If you need to come to school during the day, please report to the School Office on arrival so that we know you are on site. Do not try to enter any of the buildings or wander around the site without first signing in.

School Uniform

Pupils may wear summer uniform from now until the October half term. Please refer to the school uniform list on our website.

Easter Service and Bonnet Parade on Thursday 26 March

All parents and families are welcome to join us for our Easter Service on the last day of term. Our Early Years will have a special celebration at 9am, followed by Years 1-6 from 10am to 10.45am approximately. In between the two services at 9.30am our annual Easter Bonnet Parade will be held in the main playground.

Other Events

We have a very busy second half of term so do check our website for news of all activities. Among the highlights are: Pancake Races, the Oak-Tree Schools Maths Challenge, Bikeability for Year 6, Years 1 Biddle, 1Rooks and 2Allen class assemblies, a visit from some Easter animals, courtesy of FOCHS, Cross Country Races for all the local schools as well as a variety of sports tournaments, class visits and activities.

Please remember to check this letter and of course the website, for dates and times of the various events. Details will be sent out to the relevant group of parents in advance of events, but if you do have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the school office or myself.

Dates For Your Diary:

Monday 2 March

•	Football Match – @ Shooters North Weald - I	By Invitation Years 5 & 6	3.45pm KO
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Tuesday 3 March

•	Open Morning -	 All Parents Welcome 	- Headmistress Speech @ 9.3	0am 9	.15am-11.30am
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• Epping & Ongar District Cross Country @ Ongar School – Years 5 & 6 By Invitation PM

Wednesday 4 March

• Musical Showcase – For Years 3-6 Parents Welcome 9.00am

Thursday 5 March

World Book Day – Whole School to dress up – favourite book character - £1 donation

AM/PM

Friday 6 March

•	Year 1 Rooks Class Assembly followed by coffee with Miss Lovejoy	8.50am
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ISA London North Mixed Tag Rugby – By Invitation Years 5 & 6

FOCHS Movie Night – Years 2-6 - £6 per ticket
 3.30pm-5.05pm

Art Club is on today

Monday 9 March

NO SCIENCE CLUB TODAY FOR YEAR 1

Tuesday 10 March

Years 3-6 Trip to the Barbican LSO Workshop & The Museum of Childhood
 AM/PM

Friday 13 March

NO YOGA TODAY

• Year 1 Biddle Class Assembly followed by coffee with Miss Lovejoy 8.50am

Monday 16 March

Bikeability - Cycle Training - Year 6

AM

Violin Lessons today for this week

Tuesday 17 March

Bikeability - Cycle Training - Year 6
 Piano Assembly - Details to follow - By Invitation
 8.50am

Wednesday 18 March

Bikeabillity - Cycle Training - Year 6
 Netball Festival at Bancrofts Sports Ground - By Invitation Years 5 & 6
 PM

Friday 20 March

No Violin Lessons today – they took place on Monday

Year 2 Allen Class Assembly followed by coffee with Miss Lovejoy
 Oak-Tree Netball & Football Tournament - @Peter May Centre - By Invitation Years 3 & 4

PM

FOCHS Easter Hop Disco – Reception & Year 1 only - £6 per ticket.
 3.15pm-4.15pm

Monday 23 March

Drop-In Morning for Parents of Years 3 to 6 Parents
 Easter Animals Visit – FOCHS Treat – Whole School
 8am-8.30am
 AM/PM

• Last Science Club for Year 1 of the term

Tuesday 24 March

Drop-In Morning for Parents of Reception – Year 1 & Year 2
 8am-8.30am

• Last Science Club for Year 2 of the term

Wednesday 25 March

Local Schools Netball Tournament at St. Andrews School – By Invitation Years 5 & 6
 AM/PM

Thursday 26 March End of Term - Easter Holidays

Easter Assembly for Parents of Early Years Children
 Easter Bonnet Parade – Whole School – All parents Welcome
 Easter Assembly for Parents of Years 1 to 6 children
 Early Years (Lower Kindergarten/Upper Kindergarten/Reception)
 Years 1 & 2
 Years 3-6
 9am-9.30am
 9.30am-10am
 Finish 10.45am
 Finish 11.30am
 Finish 11.45am
 Finish 12pm

TUESDAY 21 APRIL - FIRST DAY OF SUMMER TERM

Wednesday 22 April

Football Tournament @ Shooters North Weald - By Invitation Years 3 & 4

AM/PM

Thursday 23 April

Meeting for Years 5 & 6 Parents re: Kingswood Trip 3pm-3.30pm

Monday 27 April

Football Match @ Shooters North Weald - By Invitation Years 5 & 6 3.45pm KO

Perform Drama Group Workshop for Upper Kindergarten to Year 3 ΑM

Tuesday 28 April

Trip to Verulamium Museum for Year 4 AM/PM Perform 4 All - for Upper Kindergarten to Year 3 children

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Wednesday 29 April

Bancroft's Swimming Gala @ Bancroft's School - By Invitation Years 5 & 6 1pm-4pm

Perform 4 All - for Upper Kindergarten to Year 3

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With kind regards

Kaye Larefay

Kaye Lovejoy Headmistress