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Dear Parents.

How nice to have another dry week which the children are absolutely making the most of outside. We have managed to use the mud kitchen this week and hope to be out on the field very soon. Having the additional space on the field makes such a difference and I know the children cannot wait to get out there!

Water bottles

Please can all children bring a drink bottle to school which they can take in for their lunch. We have increasing numbers of children not drinking throughout the day which is not good for them at all.

Easter events

Key stage 1

We are thrilled to be planning our Easter performance/ Easter Bonnet parade again this year! The performance will involve year 1 and 2 and will be taking place Friday 4th April



at 9:30 in the school hall. This will hopefully be followed by our traditional Easter Bonnet parade in school and then into the town (weather dependent!)

It would be great if all children in Starfish, Turtle and Sea Otter classes could come to school with an Easter Bonnet that day. We look forward to seeing their designs.

Key stage 2

The KS2 children will be having an Easter Egg buggy race this year on Friday 4th April.

The CHALLENGE:

Design and build a transporter/vehicle that will SAFELY carry an egg as far as possible with NO electric/battery powered motor.

The RULES:

- 1. The egg transporter CAN be constructed of ANY material.
- 2. The egg transporter MUST NOT have an electric or battery powered motor but COULD be powered by something that you have made from e.g. elastic bands
- 3. The egg transporter MUST be able to carry an egg for a distance WITHOUT the egg being damaged.
- 4. The egg transporter CAN be designed and built by pairs/groups of siblings but NOT by pairs/groups of friends.

The aim is to build a form of transporter that will travel as far as possible along the ground. The egg transporter must be brought into school on that day.

Clubs

Booking for clubs for the summer term will be live on 18^{th} March at 6pm. The clubs will be:

Monday

YTFC - details to be confirmed

Tuesday

Tennis KS1 and EYFS

Art Club (paid directly to the provider)

Wednesday

Cricket KS2

Music club (lunchtime)

Thursday

Tennis KS2

Sticker Albums

Congratulations to the children who were given football sticker albums and football stickers following the boot design competition. Please can I remind you that these are not to come into school as is the case with all toys from home.

Year 6 Leavers Hoodies

A reminder that orders and payments need to be in by Monday 17^{th} . Thank you to everyone who has already ordered - no hoodies will be ordered unless payment is received.

Spare clothes

We are in need for spare clothes for children who have accidents in school - leggings, tights, skirts, trousers. Sadly, many of the items we give out do not come back to us and this means our own stocks are getting low. Please drop anything you might have to the office ands also can we ask that any items loaned are returned to school washed.

INSET dates 2025/2026

We have now set our INSET dates for 2025/2026. These are:

September 2nd
September 3rd
January 5th
June 1st
June 2nd
July 22nd

We hope by having a longer May half term this will give you some flexibility in booking holidays so that the amount of term time holiday requests are reduced.

Breakfast Club

As you are probably aware we will be piloting a free breakfast club after Easter which will run from 8:30am until 9:00am. We intend to still run a paid breakfast club from 8:00am for those parents who require this. The free breakfast club will have to be booked initially so we are able to plan effectively for the demand. More details will come out via ParentMail next week. This is a trail for the summer term only.

Red Nose Day

A reminder it is Red Nose Day next Friday 21^{st} - School Council would like everyone to wear mufti that includes something red. Please can all donations be sent in to school with your children for this event.

Key dates for your diary

21.3.25 South Cary House

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25.3.25 Highfield House

26.3.25 5/6 Netball at Ansford

28.3.25 Clubs end

31.3.24 PTFA Mufti - Springo donations please

31.3.25 Bikeability

1.4.25 Bikeability

- 2.4.25 Memory Café
- 2.4.25 Parents Evening
- 3.4.25 Parents Evening
- 3.4.25 Easter Bingo
- 4.4.25 Year 1/2 Easter performance
- 4.4.25 Easter Bonnet Parade
- 4.4.25 KS2 Easter Buggy Race
- 4.4.25 School closes

SEN support



FACE Spring Timetable all sessions delivered live online via zoom £24 each 90 minutes long book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk	
Anxiety Explained	18 MAR 7pm
What is ACT?	20 Mar 7pm
Understanding the Teenage Brain	24 MAR 10am
Supporting Healthy Sleep	24 MAR 7pm
Decreasing Depression	25 MAR 10am
Raising Self-Esteem	25 MAR 7pm
AUTISM: Improving Communication	2 APR 10am
Supporting a Child with ADHD	3 APR 10am
Improving Family Communication	3 APR 7pm
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	7 APR 10am
Facing Defiance	7 APR 7pm
Anxiety-Based School Avoidance	8 APR 10AM
Understanding Anger	8 APR 7pm
Anxiety Explained	14 APR 10am
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	14 APR 7pm

Things happening in the community





Starfish - Eddie Messenger Sea Otter - Miles Kinghan Turtle - Kaden Jackson
Dolphin - Amy Purchase
Octopus - Ruby Patrick
Swordfish - Felix Milsom-Turner
Jellyfish - Dawson Pepler
Head teacher's award - Lola Higgins

Sarah Martin

Please remember to use this notification if your child is feeling under the weather when you bring them to school so we can keep an eye on them!

