



May 2018

Whetstone Field Primary School

Sports News

Well done to the Year 5/6 girls football team who qualified for the League 2 Final at Millfield on Thursday, after beating Bentley West 3-0. Well done to the boys who unfortunately lost in the final to Pheasey Park Farm – a brilliant performance from them though! A massive well done to Kelly, who won every race during the Cross Country competition and is now Walsall Cross Country champion!

We are now looking forward to Sports Days for KS1 (Tuesday 26th June) and KS2 (Thursday 28th June), times to be confirmed, where parents are invited to watch on the field.

Fundraising Success

A massive well done to the Year 6 girls who managed to raise a total of £134.45 for Katharine House Hospice. A brilliant effort girls!

Year 6 Show

Year 6 have voted to perform a play this year rather than Stars in their Eyes. Rehearsals will begin after SATS!

Suncream

As the weather gets warmer the children may be spending time outside during the school day. If the weather forecast is sunny, please apply suncream before school wherever possible.

If you would like your child to re-apply sunscreen at school, parents are asked to provide the sunscreen product clearly marked with your child's name and stored in their bag or other location designated by the class teacher. Your child must be able to apply his or her own sunscreen, (except Nursery and Reception children). For Nursery and Reception parents, we ask you to apply sunscreen at home before a typical school day. This will be re-applied with the assistance of staff if it is considered necessary and will only be applied to face, neck, arms, hands and lower legs. Parents are asked to provide written instruction to teachers of their child's individual needs if applicable.

Health and Safety on the playground

Could we remind parents not to bring dogs onto the playground to ensure the safety of other adults and children. Also, please ensure your children are supervised at all times on the playground both before school and after school and endeavour to leave the playground as quickly as possible after you have collected your child. Thank you.

Payments for PAWs / After school clubs/trips

Can you please ensure you pay the above promptly. If you are experiencing any difficulty in making payments, can you advise the office of when payment or a payment plan in instalments can be made, as the office are spending a lot of time chasing up outstanding balances. Thank you.



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Earrings and Uniform

We would like to clarify our policy on earrings as it appears a number of children have recently had their ears pierced.

- Where parents wish their children to have their ears pierced, all earrings must be of a simple stud type.
- We ask that any piercings are carried out at the start of the summer holiday to enable the earlobe to heal before school starts in September.
- School will not take responsibility for any lost earrings.
- For all sporting activities including swimming, children must be able to remove earrings independently. Please note that adults CANNOT remove or replace earrings in a child's ear.
- On the rare occasion that a child's ears are still healing during term time we will ask that:
 - The child covers the studs in their own ears without the aid of an adult
 - The child uses plasters that have been brought in from home and does not share them with other children as some children may be allergic to the adhesive in some brands of plasters.

We hope you understand our reasons for insisting on the above and appreciate your cooperation in following the policy.

As we are now in the Summer Term, the following uniform applies:

- Boys - Short sleeved red polo shirt, grey trousers (short or long), red jumper
- Girls - Red checked dress or red jumper / cardigan
- If sandals are worn, they must be black, red or white, flat, and not open toed or 'strappy'. Rubber beach shoes (crocs) are not suitable.
- During these months, children can still wear the 'normal' uniform if they wish.

Other Dates for your diary

Monday 7th May - May Bank holiday

Monday 14th - 18th May – Year 6 SATS week

Thursday 24th May – School Disco

Friday 25th May - Break up for half term

Monday 4th June - Return to school

Wednesday 13th June – Film Club

Friday 22nd June – Bags2school

Tuesday 26th June – KS1 Sports Day (time TBC)

Thursday 28th June – KS2 Sports Day (time TBC)

Wednesday 11th July – Parents' Evening

Friday 20th July - Break up for Summer holiday

Monday 23rd July – Friday 27th July – Summer Holiday Club

Monday 30th July – Friday 3rd August – Summer Holiday Club

Sponsored walk and soiree evening dates to be confirmed.

Thank you – have an enjoyable Bank Holiday weekend!

Mr S Cox

Headteacher