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Dear Parents

We hope you enjoyed your child's extra day off this week. Staff spent the day handing over classes ready for transition. Today there has been much excitement as the classes moved up.

Year 5 had a lovely cooking day at Mill Chase yesterday, making breakfast bars and then tasting exotic fruits. Many of these were new to us and we enjoyed trying them and then describing how they tasted. Thank you to Mrs Leahy of Mill Chase for looking after us so well.

We have finished our formal, timetabled lessons now and from next week have our theme days. Classes will be recording these days in floor books rather than individually, so we will begin to send books home from Monday. It will help your child enormously if they have a carrier bag in school ready for this.

We also welcomed our new Year R class for a 'stay and play' session this week. They come back again next week and we're looking forward to them joining us every day.

Ruth Worswick

Year R - Lucy for being responsible and working hard on her sounds.

Year 1 - Amy for her determination to face challenges, and for being kind and helpful.

Year 2 - Lily for taking pride in her work and always trying to improve.

Year 3/4 - Chloe B for working hard and brightening Mrs Hoe's day with her cheerfulness.

Year 5 - Chloe F for always showing her values and giving her all in lessons.

Year 6 - **Bea** for working so hard on preparing for the Y6 production.







SCHOOL NURSE COFFEE MORNING

We have our second school nurse coffee morning on Friday July 21st at 8.30am. Due to the great turn out at our last morning, Hannah (our community nurse) has invited Gillian from MIND to come and talk to us. MIND support mental wellbeing and are a great source of help if your child might be anxious, have friendship worries, etc. Come along after drop off and Gillian will tell us what MIND can offer.

DIARY DATES

Saturday July 8th - Summer Fair

July 10th - 14th - Curriculum Theme Week

Wednesday July 12th - Sharing our Safer Internet work with parents at 2.15; everyone welcome

Friday July 14th - Smarties Maths day, bring a tube of Smarties

July 17th - 21st - Feeling Good Week

Monday July 17^{th} - Year 6 performance at 2pm and 6pm

Thursday July 21st - Dot Day, come dressed in dots

Wednesday July 19th - Sports Day

Friday July 21st - School Nurse coffee morning, with Gillian from MIND

Friday July 21st - Year 6 BBQ, rounders and camp

Monday July 24th - Back Up Sports Day

Tuesday July 25th - Last day of term

SUMMER HOLIDAYS

Monday September 4th - INSET Day

Tuesday September 5th - INSET Day

Wednesday September 6^{th} - Children return to school

LETTERS/MONEY TO THE OFFICE

As you know, we ask that all letters, reply slips and money go to the class teachers, not to the office. Every class has a box for these, which then goes to the office with the morning register.

However, recently lots of you have been coming in to drop things off directly, which is causing longer delays for those parents who have questions for our office staff or need to report a child's absence. It also increases the risk of mistakes being made.

We will no longer be taking any reply slips or money at the office, so please don't put our staff in a difficult position by asking them to.

Could I also remind you to put all money/cheques in a named, sealed envelope? If you don't have one, you may purchase them at the office for 5p.

Personally, I reuse all the return envelopes that come with most of my bills.

SMOKING OUTSIDE SCHOOL

Could I please ask everyone to be considerate of others and refrain from smoking near where children and other adults are exiting the school.

Other letters home this week

Y6 Biz Schools letter (4 children only) Coffee Morning poster Next year's Reception - facebook Class teachers for 2017-2018 Y4,5,6 learning together next year

See you tomorrow at the Fair!

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4.07.17

Dear Parents,

Four children in Y6 have been selected to present the results of the class BizSchool project to the Grand Final Bear's Cave on Friday 14th July, at St Mary's School, Guildford. They will be transported there and back in a staff car within normal school hours. We will not be back in time for hot dinners, so your child **will need a packed lunch** on this day.

With thanks,	
Mrs Cooper	
I give permission for	to
attend the Grand Final Bear's Cave on I Guildford.	Friday 14 th July at St Mary's School,
I give permission for my child to travel	in a staff car.
Signed	Date:

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July 4th, 2017

Dear Parents

I am writing to let you know which teachers will be teaching our classes from September. The staffing will be as follows:

Year R	Mrs Fox with Mrs Wilkinson (Monday to Thursday), Mrs Hedges (mornings)
	and Mrs Bone (Fridays)
Year 1	Mrs Liversage (currently Miss Rye!) with Ms Knights
Year 2	Mr Coutts with Ms Bird
Year 3	Mrs Hoe with Mrs Jones
Year 4/5	Miss Lawrance with Mrs Laurin
Year 6	Mrs Cooper with Mrs Francis

We are delighted to be welcoming Miss Lawrance to our team. She is joining us from Woodlands Education Centre and brings much Upper Key Stage 2 experience, with a particular interest in English. We are also pleased that Mrs Bone will join our team on Fridays to work in EYFS.

Our moving up day will be this Friday. Children will come into school to their current classroom as normal and we will swap round after morning worship. The children will spend the day with their new teacher and then return to their current classrooms before the end of day so that you can pick them up from their usual door.

We spent our INSET day working together to make sure that key information about all the children has been passed on to the new teachers. We know that for many children, moving up a class is a mixture of both excitement and nervousness and we will do our best to make Friday a positive day for all.

Best wishes

Ruth Worswick

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July 4th 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

I am writing to tell you about some of the changes we made this year in the way we teach children in Years 5 and 6. From February half term, the children have been learning together, working as mixed year groups. The groups have not been fixed, but have been dependent on children's attainment of each particular unit of work and on what has been taught. This way of learning together is very common in other schools and has been shown to both raise children's attainment and enjoyment.

We have found this to be a very successful way of working and intend to continue with this system next year, when Years 4, 5 and 6 will work together, mainly in the mornings for English and Maths. Mrs Cooper and Miss Lawrance will be working closely together to plan lessons and to reassess groupings as topics change. We anticipate that for the most part, Year 4 will remain with Miss Lawrance.

Having seen how well Years 3 and 4 have worked together for the past two years, along with the successful Year 5/6 mix this year, we are confident the children will thrive even more next year when learning altogether.

Best wishes

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July 5th 2017

Dear Parents

I am writing to let you know that we have set up the Facebook groups for our new Year R class. We set up class groups last year and they have been hugely successful in allowing parents to share information such as lost cardis, reminders of school events and even to arrange after-school parties.

I have sent out invites to the main email contact we have for each child to invite you to join your child's group. If you would like a second email contact added, eg for both Mum and Dad, then please let the school office know and we can arrange this.

If you have any questions about this, please don't hesitate to contact me. On the back of this letter I have included some questions that we often get asked abour our Facebook use.

Best wishes

Ruth Worswick

Common Questions and Answers

Will you be posting videos and photos of the children? Only where we have previously been given parental permission to do so. If you're not sure what permissions you have given, or wish to change these permissions, let us know at the school office.

Will we be able to post photos/videos of children, or tag children within Facebook? No, in the interest of privacy and protecting children these functions will not be available.

Will the pages be open to the public? No. We have set up Groups rather than Pages for each class so that they are by invitation only.

Will we be able to make comments on posts and start our own posts? Yes you will. Currently most posts are started by and commented on by parents not staff. We would ask that:

- you are respectful of the school, staff, parents and children
- you do not post comments containing profanity or derogatory remarks (they will be removed, you will contacted by the school and may be removed from the group)
- you do not raise issues specific to your child, eg about their reading record, their progress, friendship issues etc, these should continue to be raised in person with school staff and should remain confidential

Won't this open the school and staff up to abuse? We would rather be completely open, and hope that parents respect what we are trying to do. If you have any concerns about something at school, we would ask you to contact the office, myself or the class teacher directly as you do now; Facebook is not the way to voice concerns. If there is any abuse towards the school or other families, membership to the group will cease.

How often will staff put posts up or respond to ours? I am not expecting my staff to 'have to' respond or join in with Facebook at all unless they choose to. I will be a member of each group, as will the office staff, but teachers will make that choice for themselves. We cannot guarantee to reply to every post and if you require a definite response you should contact the school office as you do now.

Can children post/read the pages? No. The pages are not intended for use by any of the students, even if they are using a parent's device. Remember Facebook is for those who are 13 years or older and it would be inappropriate for our children to be using it.

If we don't sign up to the groups, will we miss out? If school posts a vital message on Facebook, parents who are not on Facebook will be contacted separately. But we will post reminders and engage in 'chat' with parents on Facebook that we won't do by other means.

Venue: The Holme CE Primary School

Friday 21st July 2017 8.30am -9.30am

(Younger siblings welcome)





School Nursing Team

Drop-in

Share tips and advice with other parents over tea/coffee and cake!



well-being worker from MIND - supporting mental well**Daytime Wetting**

and Soiling





Dental Care

Healthy Eating



being.





Have a chat and get advice on:

Growth and

Development

Emotional



ell-being





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SUNDAY 9TH JULY

FROM 11.00 A.M. TO 1.00 P.M.

Come to the Family Service at 10.00 too

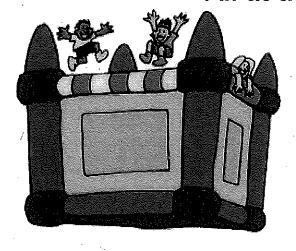
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