

Dear parents,

KS2 Presentation Assemblies

Parents are invited to join us to see the children celebrate their achievements this term.

Tuesday April 12th – 9.30 a.m. Year 4

Wednesday April 13th – 9.30 a.m. Year 3

Friday April 15th – 9.30 a.m. and 10.45 Years 5 + 6

School Session Times

Thank you so much for your responses to our questionnaires regarding timing of school sessions. There were some very constructive comments and these have been taken on board. For the summer term we will trial the following:

Morning: School registration at 8.55a.m. promptly.

All classes will have access to all the buildings **from 8.45 a.m.**

Please ensure your child has gone into school ready to start at 8.55 a.m PROMPTLY – please leave when your child has gone into school.

Security gates will be closed at 9.00a.m. as all pupils should be in class and parents should have left by then.

Afternoon:

Nursery **12.50 a.m. – 3.20 p.m.**

Reception pupils will be dismissed at **3.20 p.m.**

Year 1 and Year 2 pupils at **3.25 p.m.**

In future all infants will be dismissed from reception play area.

Juniors at **3.30pm**

Every effort will be made to be punctual so that parents are not kept waiting for too long.

Parents with nursery and infant children only are asked to leave as soon as the children have been collected.

All security gates will be opened at 3.15pm. Parents are asked not to enter the site before this time as lessons are still in progress.

School Diary – Summer Term.

Tuesday May 3rd – school opens: Popstars dance group will be giving free taster sessions to all pupils in the school.

Wednesday May 4th – Royal Wedding Party, children may dress up for the day - Princes and Princesses, Brides and Grooms, wedding guests - whatever they choose.

Thursday May 5th – Polling Day – INSET school closed to pupils but staff training.

Changes to end of term.

Schools have been awarded an additional day's holiday in lieu of the Royal Wedding that falls in the Easter holiday.

The children will therefore finish on **Thursday July 21st** instead of **Friday July 22nd**.

Changes to last week of term diary.

Monday July 18th – Open Afternoon

Tuesday July 19th – Change over afternoon – children will meet their new teacher and visit new classmates.

Wednesday July 20th – 9.30 a.m. Leavers' service for parents

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Thursday July 21st – last day of term for pupils

Friday July 22nd and Monday July 21st INSET days – Training days for teachers and support staff.

School Meals

Vale of Glamorgan Catering Services have informed us that the cost of school meals will increase with effect from Tuesday 3rd May - £1.90 per day, £9.50 per week.

There will be some changes to meals in the last few days as cook uses up food from the winter menu before the summer menu starts after the Easter holidays.

'Artworks'

We continually strive to improve the physical environment of the school and hope to paint some indoor and outdoor murals over the next term. If any of our very talented parents could help we would be very grateful. Please see Mrs David or Mrs Taylor if you could volunteer during the next term.

Extra-curricular Clubs.

All after school clubs will start in the second week of next term – week beginning 09/05/11 and will run for 8 weeks finishing in the week beginning 04/07/11.

Timetable of activities will be sent out in the first week back after the holidays.

Parking outside school

This has improved and we would still urge parents to park away from the school and walk children in. We are still awaiting permission to start the Green Cone scheme.

Sickness and Diarrhoea

Children should be kept home for **48** hours after their last bout of any sickness or diarrhoea. This is to prevent the infection spreading.

Yard Safety

Children may bring scooters and bicycles to school but these should **NOT** be ridden in the school grounds as it can be dangerous while so many children and parents are milling around.

Proud Winners.

Congratulations to a group of year 5 and 6 children who represented the school at a book competition. A group of 4 discussed a book of their choice and another group of 8 did a presentation about their chosen book. They beat 7 other schools and will represent the Vale in the national finals.

Marie Curie Pots of Care - Thank you

Foundation Phase parents raised £768 for Marie Curie.

Mother's Day Secret Room

Thanks to the parent volunteers who wrapped all the presents so well and to all who donated gifts. The children were delighted; I hope all our mums were too. The PTA raised over £700 at the same time.

It has been another very busy term where the children and staff have worked extremely hard. I'm sure everyone will enjoy the Easter holidays.

Thanks to all parents for your continued support of your children and the school.

T Taylor
Head Teacher