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26th April 2017

Dear Parents,

Welcome back and I hope that you all had a restful and enjoyable Easter holiday. We are very much looking forward to the new term ahead at Sarisbury and in my first letter of the summer term, I have included a summary of events for your diary; please note that full details of these are available on the school's website on the link to 'diary dates'.

Year 5 Production:

I am sure that the parents who came to Tuesday and Wednesday evening's performance of Year 5's Easter production were impressed at the quality and high standards achieved by all of our talented youngsters in Year 5. I must congratulate all involved for their effort and hard work in preparing for the shows and the energy and enthusiasm shown throughout. Thank you to the many parents who provided costumes and supported the children in preparation for the show and to all of the staff in Year 5 who worked tirelessly to give all of the children an opportunity to take part in this very special production.

Easter Services:

May I also take this opportunity to thank Rev Matheson and our Friends from St Paul's for their support in our Easter Services today and to the many parents who walked the children to and from the Church; your help was also much appreciated.

East Dene Residential:

Well done to our Year 5 team who have had a fantastic visit to East Dene on the Isle of Wight. We have had lovely feedback from the staff there about their manners, behaviour and team spirit in every aspect of the trip; they certainly did us proud!

Year 5 Swimming:

Children in Class 5JC will commence their swimming lessons on Wednesday 3rd May. These sessions take place at Holly Hill Leisure Centre on a Wednesday afternoon and last for 11 weeks.

Fun Run 2017:

Please note the date for this year's Fun Run which will take place on **Friday 12th May between 3:45pm and 4:45pm**. We hope that by moving the Fun Run to a Friday afternoon, more children and parents will be able to participate. This is always a really popular event each year and we would like parents and friends to support us again by sponsoring their child and of course, by participating in the Fun Run itself!

Further details and a sponsor form for your child will be sent home next week and I would be grateful if you could return the reply slip to the school office by **Monday 8th May**, in order to give us an idea of the number of people taking part. I hope that once again, we can call on your support for this very worthwhile venture.

Parents' Survey:

Thank you to those parents who have completed our on-line survey prior to the Easter Holiday and for the many positive comments and suggestions we have received regarding the quality of provision at Sarisbury CE Junior. A summary of the survey will be available on the school's web site in due course but thank you again for the positive feedback, comments and suggestions; these are very helpful and will be included in our new school improvement plan for September 2017.

School Uniform:

As we begin the summer term and the weather becomes warmer, I would like to remind parents about the importance of our school uniform at Sarisbury. Uniform is a key aspect of our sense of community and we aim to maintain the highest standards throughout the year. We regularly send a large amount of un-named clothing to local clothes banks and are aiming to improve this as well as encourage children to take greater responsibility for their uniform and personal possessions. Please ensure that all of your children's belongings are clearly labelled with their name and class; your support with this is much appreciated.

Workshop on promoting sleep with children

We have arranged for Helen Whyley from the school nursing team to lead a workshop with parents on promoting sleep and bedtime routines with children. This will be on Wednesday 7th June at 2:15pm and promises to be a very useful session; please add the date to your diary if you would like to come along.

Dates and Events:

I have included the key dates and events for the summer term which I hope you will find useful.

Yours sincerely,

A. J. Stockton

Headteacher



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Diary Dates for the Summer Term 2017:

Monday 24th April

Monday 24th April
Thursday 27th April

Monday 1st May

Wednesday 3rd May
Friday 5th May
Monday 8th May
Friday 12th May
Friday 12th May
Monday 15th May
Friday 19th May
Monday 22nd May
Monday 22nd May
Friday 27th May

Monday 29th May

Monday 5th June

Wednesday 7th June

Wednesday 14th June
Thursday 15th June
Tuesday 20th June
Wednesday 21st June

Saturday 24th June

Thursday 29th June

Friday 30th June

Thursday 6th July
Friday 7th July
Monday 10th July
Wednesday 12th July
Tuesday 18th July
Wednesday 19th July
Thursday 20th July

Friday 21st July

Monday 24th July

Tuesday 25th July

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Return to School

Year 5 to East Dene Centre (IoW) – 3 days
Year 3 to Butser Farm

May Day Bank Holiday

Class 5JC Swimming at Holly Hill (11 weeks)
Class 6HK Assembly
Year 6 SATs
Class 5JC Assembly
Sarisbury Fun Run 2017
Year 6 Residential to Stone Farm Week 1
Class 4PD Assembly
National Walk to School Week
Year 6 Residential to Stone Farm Week 2
Class 3ET Assembly

Half Term Holiday

In-Service Day Closure

Helen Whyley – workshop for parents on sleep and bedtime routines
Year 6 Bridging Day @ Brookfield
Year 5 & Year 6 Sex Education Evening @ 6:30pm
Upper School Sports Afternoon (Y5 & Y6)
Year 5 Taster Day @ Brookfield
Lower School Sports Afternoon (Y3 & Y4)
Summer Fair (tbc)
Year 2 Information Evening – 6:30pm

In-Service Day Closure

Sports Presentation Ceremony – 2:30pm
Year 2 & Year 6 Transfer Day
Reports Issued to Parents
Open Classrooms 3:30pm to 5:00pm
Y6 Leavers' Show @ 7pm
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Y6 Leavers' Service @ St Paul's – 2:30pm
Y6 Party at Moby's 6pm to 8pm (tbc)
PFA Summer BBQ (6:00pm)
Summer Term Music Prom (tbc)
Year 6 Leavers' Assembly for Parents @ 11:00am

End of Term