Good afternoon,

It's been a very busy week this week with a trip to the zoo for Year 4 and of course the KS2 SATs in Y6.

I would like to take this opportunity to say a **MASSIVE** well done to the children in Year 6 this week who showed Perseverance and Courage in tackling their SATs. They should all feel so proud of themselves - we all are. I'd also like to extend a thank you to the many staff members who prepared and supported the Y6 pupils.

Please read on for info and updates.

Have a great weekend Best wishes

Mr Spencer & The Tadpole Team

Date	What?	Who?	Additional info
Monday 20th May	Class Photos	ALL	Happening in school
Tuesday 21st May	NO Creative Club		
Tuesday 21st May	NO Swimming	Y3	
Thursday 23rd May	NO ABC club Dance Club still on every Thursday after school till the show		
Friday 24th May	END OF TERM 5		Normal school finish time of 3.30pm, Lilypad open as usual
Monday 3rd June	INSET DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED	ALL	
Tuesday 4th June	BEGINNING OF TERM 6		
Tuesday 4th June	NO Swimming	Y3	
Tuesday 4th June	NO Creative Club		
Thursday 6th June	NO ABC club Dance Club still on every Thursday after school till the show		
Tuesday 11th June	Swimming	Y3	

Wednesday 12th June	EYFS & KS1 Sports Morning	YN, YR,Y1 & Y2	Details to follow
Thursday 13th June	KS2 Sports Morning	Y3, Y4,Y5 & Y6	Details to follow
Tuesday 18th June	Swimming	Y3	
Tuesday 25th June	Swimming	Y3	
Tuesday 2nd July	Swimming	Y3	
Tuesday 9th July	Last Swimming of the Year	Y3	
Tuesday 16th July	Year 6 Production 2pm and 5pm.	Y6	Details to follow
Wednesday 17th July	Year 6 Leavers' Party 3:30pm-5:30pm	Y6	Details to follow
Tuesday 23rd July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly 9am	Y6	Details to follow
Wednesday 24th July	END OF TERM 6 - last day of the School Year	ALL	

REMINDER - Family Support Drop in Sessions with Mrs Salter and Mrs Allsopp

Our inclusion team will be offering drop in sessions for parents **ONLY** to be able to access wider support if required. These will be happening every Wednesday morning starting next week (Wednesday 24th April) from 08.30am - 09.30am in the NEST which you will be able to access from the side gate in the side car park. (Not through the office) Booking is not required. These sessions can be parents asking for advice and share any concerns they have around their children at home in the way of behaviour, bedtime routines, sleeping, eating, toilet training, wellbeing. These sessions are not to be based around curriculum, if you have concerns around your child's learning, please speak with your child's class teacher.

Message for Nursery

Ahoy me hearties! Captain Dix, Captain Onslow and the Hedgehog crew are so excited to invite our Nursery mates who attend on a Wednesday to our pirate dress up day on the 17th July. Children are welcome to come aboard dressed as a pirate or in beach wear. We want to give a big yo-ho-ho to a brilliant year together!

See you there, scallywags!

Unclaimed Water Bottles

We have another large collection of water bottles, these will be put outside by the second hand uniform boxes by the small hall door please come and have a look and claim Hot/Sunny conditions - Sun Cream and Sun Hats



We would recommend that pupils have the long lasting sun cream applied before they come to school. They will need to have their own, **named** sun cream in school with them if you would like it to be applied by them during the day - sun cream is not kept in school and due to allergies we are unable to allow children to share sun cream. Please ensure children have **named** sun hats too for sunny days.

Keeping our Children Safe

As the days grow longer and the weather improves, more of our pupils are spending more time away from home in the community. Please access the website below to find helpful quizzes and tips that will help you support your child in being safe at all times.

In the 'Staying Home Alone' section, you can find advice about whether your child is safe to go out without you.

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/away-from-home/

St Andrew's Church: May Fayre

On Saturday 18th May St Andrew's Church invites you to take a trip back in time to a 1950s-style fayre with traditional stalls and games - from 12 noon to 4pm.

The historic church and churchyard will be open to the public, there will be family friendly activities, competitions, and a small craft market.

There will be a competition for children aged 11 and under, themed on "The May Queen and King", and a baking competition for different age ranges: Under 18s and 18+ years. For the Baking Competition Recipe and Entry form, click here

Game tokens will be for sale at the gate for £5 for 10 games plus two free games, which can be purchased using cash or card. Cash will also be accepted at the stalls.

Please walk or use public transport as on-site parking will be limited to a small number of disabled bays. The church is located on Tadpole Lane, between Lyall Close and Abbey Caravan Park, with foot access from Lyall Close and Tadpole Lane. The Number 10 bus route passes the church, stopping outside Blunsdon Abbey.

For general and competition enquiries and competition rules, contact Karen Vermeersch, tel: 07443 52262karenvermeersch@hotmail.com

KS1 Optional National Curriculum Testing (previously KS1 SATs)

Between Monday 20th May and Friday 25th May, Year Two will be completing their Optional National Curriculum papers. We want the children to feel as comfortable and confident as possible so we are putting no added pressure on them other than what they are used to doing through our 'special quizzes' which we practise weekly.

To support your child at home, please make use of the CGP books sent home last week as these look at questions the children will come across in the papers. Please can we ask if you have not already done so to pay for the contribution on Parentpay for the books.

The Department for Education has released some information regarding these papers, which you can see below via the link.

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/65eaf9ae62ff489bab87b32d/2024_Information_f or parents optional tests at the end of key stage 1.pdf

Friends of Tadpole Farm information

Please find the link to the Friends of Tadpole Farm Facebook page where you will find more information about the upcoming events

https://www.facebook.com/people/Friends-of-Tadpole-Farm-CE-Academy/61556529647801/

Unfortunately due to lack of interest the Friends of Tadpole Farm have had to cancel the Scarecrow Trail that was due to happen this month

Please see details below of a local club which maybe of interest to parents



Reminder Where information can be found:

Before you call/email the School Office have you looked at our <u>website</u>? Lots of information can be found throughout our site, including important dates on the <u>Parent Calendar</u>, <u>Useful Forms</u> to download and our weekly <u>Newsblog</u>. You will also find everything you need to know about <u>Nursery Admissions</u> and <u>School Admissions</u>, including how to book a <u>Tour of the School</u>.

