

Good afternoon,

We've arrived at the halfway point of Term 5 and hope to see some signs of Spring very soon.
Not too many new updates - but please read on for reminders.

Have a lovely extended Bank Holiday weekend

Best wishes

Mr Spencer & The Tadpole Team

Date	What?	Who?	Additional info
Monday 6th May	BANK HOLIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED	ALL	
Tuesday 7th May	Swimming	Y3	
Monday 13th - Thursday 16th May	Year 6 SATS	Y6	
Tuesday 14th May	Swimming	Y3	
Friday 24th May	END OF TERM 5		
Monday 3rd June	INSET DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED	ALL	
Tuesday 4th June	BEGINNING OF TERM 6		
Tuesday 4th June	NO Swimming	Y3	
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	

Wet weather - Coat reminder

Another week of wet and windy weather - please can all children have a suitable coat with them.

Friends of Tadpole Farm - Disco Money Raised

The Friends of Tadpole Farm Committee (FOTF) have asked us to let our parents and children know that they raised a massive £780.00 from their recent disco. They would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support in this event and to all the helper/volunteers that took time out of their busy schedules to help.

SATS Breakfast

We would like to invite Year 6 in for breakfast during SATS week. We will be open from 8am, serving sausage and bacon baps, hash browns and cereal. Please come in through the main entrance.

If you do not wish to join us for breakfast please can you arrive at 8:30am so that we can start promptly. There is no cost for the breakfast

Thank you!



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 52262 karenvermeersch@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_for_parents_optional_tests_at_the_end_of_key_stage_1.pdf

New - 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.

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/>

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SCARECROW TRAIL

May 25
to
June 2

Support Tadpole Farm Academy by sponsoring a scarecrow! For £20, your business can have a laminated sign displayed on your own scarecrow along the trail throughout Tadpole Garden Village. Each scarecrow will feature a letter for kids to collect and spell out a phrase. Your business will also be promoted on the trail map. To participate please email:

friendsoftadpolefarm@outlook.com



Reminder Where information can be found:

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