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#### **NEWSLETTER – June 2025**

Dear Parents and Carers,

These last few weeks of term are going to be very busy. There are many dates in the diary already but more will follow, so please look out for messages on My Child at School (MCAS). Please contact the office if you have not yet managed to register with MCAS as we are no longer using Parentmail as a means of communicating with you.

We are currently very busy in school planning for September, including thinking about where the Reception and Y1 classes will move to. We will let you all know what is happening just before we begin our transition process, because for most children, knowing too far in advance actually causes more anxieties.

With regards
Mrs Sally Dreckmann

# Sports Week (Monday 16th - Friday 20th June)

During sports week, the children may wear their

normal PE kits every day instead of their school uniform. If you need to wash anything and it isn't dry the next morning, other appropriate t-shirts and shorts are fine (no fashion/denim shorts please).



As we are doing PE outside a lot more this term, please can you ensure that your child has a full PE kit in school every day and that their plimsolls or trainers still fit!

# Creative Week (6<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> May)

During Creative Week the children learnt about the artist Laurel Burch. Inspired by her work, they created their own art pieces using different patterns, bright colours and a range of media. They had a great week and practised lots of core skills while having lots of fun! Come and have a look at the lovely work produced at our next Welcome Wednesday afternoon on 9 July.

#### PTA News

The PTA are busy planning for the Summer Fair on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July. If any parent or family



who runs a small craft business would like a table at the fair (charge of £10.00), please let the office know. They are also looking for volunteers to display a 'For Sale' style sign in their garden to advertise the fair - again, please let the office know if you can help with this.

A non-uniform day has been arranged for **Friday** 13<sup>th</sup> June. On this day, children may wear casual clothes to school if they wish, and for this we ask that an item is brought in for the fair:-

Year 2 - chocolate for the chocolate tombola Year 1 - bottles or general items for the adult tombola

Reception - **individually wrapped** sweets for the tuck shop or little toys for the lucky dip.

Any other donations greatly appreciated - unused gift sets, bubble baths, soaps etc. They are also after clean jam jars if you would like to start collecting! They are also planning a Year group summer hamper raffle (see attached flyer) as well as a Summer Fair Bake off - more details to follow!

#### Year 2 Concerts

Two Year 2 concerts have been arranged for the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> July. Tickets will be available for these concerts from the class teachers on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June. There will be a total of two tickets available per child. We would appreciate it if you try not to bring babies or toddlers along, but if you have to, they can only come to the afternoon concert on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July. Can we please ask that you take them out of the hall if they are noisy or cause a distraction to the children - everyone works so hard to learn the songs and lines and they can be so easily distracted. Thank you ©

# **UK Harvest Summer Food Drive**

We are supporting the UK harvest summer food drive this year - please see the attached flyer. Parents are very welcome to bring in any canned and dry food donations anytime during the month of June.

## Staffing for September

For information, the staffing structure so far for the Autumn Term is as follows:

Class	Teacher	TAs - TBC	
Reception			
Poppy	Miss Beeney		
Buttercup	Mrs McGahey		
Bluebell	Mrs Sugden/ Mrs		
	Edwards		

Year 1		
Butterfly	Mrs Tilling	
Ladybird	Mrs Parsons /Mrs	
	Lloyd	
Hedgehog	Miss Miles	

Year 2		
Sycamore	Mrs Bennett	
Oak	Ms Prosser	
Willow	Miss Court	

# Transition Day - Wednesday 2nd July

Drop off and pick up as normal, but all the children will move to their new classes for some of the day. The Year 2 children will walk to the Juniors and spend the day there, walking back in time for home time. Hot dinners will be provided as usual.

#### Inset Days

Please find below the Inset dates for the next academic year 2025/26:

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2025 Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025 Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026 Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026 Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026

This means that the children in Years 1 and 2 will return to school on Thursday  $4^{th}$  September 2025. There will be different arrangements for children joining us in Reception, which will be communicated separately to them.

# Dates for your Diary - more details to follow (New dates in Red)

Event	Date	Time
Inset Day	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	
Thought-Full Parent Workshop	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	8.50 am
Year 2 fieldtrip to the beach	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	All day
Phonics Testing Week	w/c 9 <sup>th</sup> June	
Chartwells Healthy Eating workshop	Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	am
for Year 2		

Non-uniform day to bring in a donation	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	
for the Summer Fair	,	
Sports Week	w/c 16 <sup>th</sup> June	
New Reception Intake Parent Meeting	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	7.00 pm
Year 2 visiting the Junior School for a	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	am
creative morning		
Thought-Full Parent Workshop	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	8.50 am
Year 2 visiting the Junior School for a	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	pm
sports afternoon		
Thought-Full Parent Workshop	Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	8.50 am
Year 1 Sports Afternoon	Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	1.30 - 3.00 pm
'Amazing Animals' to visit Year 1	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	am
Reserve Year 2 sports afternoon at	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	pm
the Junior School		
Year 3 Junior School Teachers to visit	Tuesday 1st July	pm
Year 2		
Transition Day	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	All day
'Little City' visiting Reception	Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	
School Reports to go home	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	
Summer Fair	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	5 - 7 pm
Year 2 to visit Marwell Zoo	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	All day
Welcome Wednesday/Open Afternoon	Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	2.15 - 3.15 pm
Year 2 Concert for parents	Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	2.00 pm
Year 2 Concert for parents (no babies	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	9.15 am
or pre-school children)		
Year 2 Leaver's Disco	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	4.00 - 5.15 pm
Outside Playday	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	All day
Year 2 Leaver's Assembly (for	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	9.00 am
parents/carers)		
Last day of Term	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	

#### **UKHarvest Summer Food Drive 2025**

UKH are the local food rescue, redistribution, and education charity, currently delivering over 75,000 meals worth of food a week.

With your help will be able to continue delivering food to some of the most vulnerable people in your area.

We are asking everyone in your school who can, to bring in donations of ambient, or larder foods during the month of June.

This should be food your students can spare or has been found in cupboards and drawers and not been used.

# Food you can spare and are able to share (3)

Donations can be brought into school anytime throughout June.

UKH will collect your donations during the first two weeks of July.

We will bring your donations back to our warehouse, where we will weigh your schools' contributions. We will send you a Thank You poster to share and display in school, letting you know just how many meals your donations will be providing.

We have a wish list of items we know people will be able to turn into healthy, nutritious meals and foods which are always useful.

Please donate your favourite surplus items to us, such as:

PASTA
RICE
TINNED BEANS and LENTILS
JARS of SAUCES
TINNED TOMATOES
TEA, COFFEE and HOT CHOCOLATE
CRACKERS, BISCUITS and CRISPS

Thank you for considering taking part in the Summer Food Drive 2025.

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All money raised goes directly into enhancing children's experiences at school, supporting their learning and putting smiles on so many little faces!



This year we are introducing a new raffle! Something for all the family!

We are looking for donations to create wonderful Summer themed hampers.

There will be a hamper for each Year Group filled with goodies for the perfect summer.

Examples of donations for the hampers...

Beach games, garden games, picnic equipment, gardening bits, rainy day activities, yummy summer treats... be as creative as you like!

Every child will have one ticket in the raffle as a thank you for donating goodies for the hamper and then you can buy as many extra tickets as you wish; these will be £1 each.

You will be able to buy tickets on the week leading up to the Summer Fair from the school gate or at the Summer Fair itself.

Please bring donations to your class teacher or the school office by Wednesday 25th June. Good luck everyone and THANK YOU for your generous donations!

# Looking for your next Creef Dery Outle

### Stay & play all day, and support a local charity

From the Open Farm to the Woodland Walk - there is so much to do with your little ones. Play in our brand new role play Cherry Tree Village, get lost in the Maze, climb in our Soft Play areas, speed down our Indoor Slide and so much more. All whilst helping us support people with learning disabilities and autism.

And with our Rainy Day Guarantee, if the rain spoils your visit, you can return for FREE! (Find out more on our website).

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