



Dear Parents,

Well done to all our pupils who have completed SATs/optional SAT's papers this week. They all seem to be quietly confident! The Year 6's in particular have benefitted from a structured team approach of support, to help them feel ready and confident, and I know, despite the outcomes of the results, all children were working at a high level of attainment. A number of our children have been invited to sit the Level 6 papers in Maths and English next week (not done in this format for many years) and I'm delighted and proud that they all have risen to the challenge. Well done everyone.

Eye & Dental Examinations

I'd like to remind you that your child is entitled to free eye and dental examinations. The occurrence of tooth decay is on the increase, as is the need for glasses – possible contributing factors: a sweet diet and poor brushing and frequent use of electronic games putting undue strain on the eyes. If you haven't taken your child lately then please do so.

Football Friendly

Our Year 4's really enjoyed their game against Harby and have asked for more!! We may call on you to help transport them after school once we've able to organise something.

Year 6 to London

Just a reminder that the final instalment for the London trip is due on Friday 25th May. Thank you.

Olympic Torch Event

A letter was sent out last Friday asking for your preference of those options offered for witnessing the Olympic torch through Melton. Responses were required by today to enable us to inform the organisers, however we still have a number of responses missing! It is imperative that your reply is received on Monday 28th May, so we know all numbers and can plan accordingly. Thank you.

Next Week

Village Expedition

On Tuesday, for those living in Barkestone and Plungar, you may see our older children visiting the church. They will all be doing what Class 1 have done at St Peters – sketching and comparing, then back in class they'll be producing paintings and clay models which we intend to display in all 3 churches.

School Photos

Next Tuesday, 22nd May, all children will have their photo taken with their class. Please make sure they come to school wearing the correct shoes (not trainers) and uniform.

Multi-Skills Tournament

Key Stage 1 children will be visiting Belvoir High School next Wednesday for an inter-school tournament with other Vale schools – last year was great fun, so fingers crossed for this year! It is likely to be indoors, but just in case it is outside, please ensure the children have the usuals....hat/suncream/waterproofs!!

Creative Writing Workshops

Next Friday, children will have the fantastic opportunity to participate in a creative writing workshop that Viking Challenge funds have made possible. Robin Price, children's author of such books as Spartapuss and Boudicat, will be visiting (with Mogzilla!) and working with all classes to help them write a selection of creative stories, based on our topics this term. Hopefully, the children will share some of their work with you in one of our special assemblies.

If you wish to know more about Robin Price or Mogzilla, please visit the website: www.mogzilla.co.uk/events, where there are details of all his books, signed copies of which are available to purchase on the day, at a reduced price of £6.

Diary Dates

Week commencing 28th May will be our Drugs Prevention and Education week, and we will be expecting our annual visit from the Life Education Centre (mobile unit which each class visits). The focus is not all about 'hard' drugs, rather to find out more about looking after their bodies. There will be an opportunity for you to visit the Life Education Centre at 8.40am on Thursday 31st May if you would like to experience it for yourself. I will also post the scheme of work we use as a basis for the activities done throughout the week on our website. The themes for the week are:

Class 1	My Wonderful Body
Class 2	Feelings
Class 3	It's great to be me
Year 6	Decisions

Belvoir Castle Cricket Trust

See reverse for details of an up coming event. If you're interested, drop me an email and I'll see if we can get a group of 10 together!

Big Dance World Record Attempt

I'll let you know how it went next week!

Yours sincerely,

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Head Teacher