

Dear Parents and Carers,

The spring term was so busy with some many fantastic activities and events taking place! This term has started well too, and a huge thanks to our Friends group for all they have done for the children.

Last term the children competed in different competitions including singing, football and gymnastics. We also held different charity fundraising events such as Red Nose Day (£267 raised). This term we have more sporting events, the Blue Kite Art Festival and more singing! We have also had our in-school events and competitions linking to the curriculum, including science and reading. At the end of the summer term, we will be holding an Olympic Style sports day!

During the summer term the Key Stage 1 and 2 children have their SATs activities, Yr 1 has a phonic test and Yr 4 the multiplication test. More information can be found from the class teachers via Tapestry closer to the time, including a meeting for Yr 1 parents.

Despite the fact it is classed as the 'summer' term – please ensure that your child please comes to school dressed appropriately and for the weather. They still need a coat, as the regular downpours show us!

On PE days, the children in Key Stage 2 may come to school in PE clothes – however, this means appropriate PE clothing, it is not an opportunity for a non-uniform day, please make sure that your child has suitable PE clothing and not random jumpers and jeans. All pupils need to wear a white top, and blue or black shorts or joggers with their school jumper on top and trainers. Please do not send them in wearing football kit or a range of different colours. It is essential that pupils have the equipment they need for school with them in the morning. Please remind your child to bring their water bottle or other equipment they need daily.

Swimming **is a compulsory part** of PE education – it is not a trip nor a choice; there is **no option to 'opt out'**. This would be the same as saying that they don't have to do maths today because they don't like it. Please ensure that your child understands this and that they have their kit with them.

We are continuing to monitor attendance and lateness. Our registers are checked by the EWO from Blue Kite Trust, so please make sure that your child comes to school on time as lateness is becoming an issue.

Any parent whose child's attendance is below 90% will be informed by letter and may be called into school for a meeting to discuss this. Holidays, therefore, should only be taken during school holiday time or you risk a penalty fine.

It has been lovely to meet and speak to so many of you, at the door, the gate, in the playground, at events or over the phone. Our SLT will run another coffee morning during the summer term so you can again, drop in and speak to us.

Thank you to those parents who completed our parent questionnaire. At the end of this summer term (July) your child's annual report will come home and there will be an opportunity for you to book some time with the class teacher if you want to discuss it afterwards.

The staff have been working hard on creating a new school vision, reviewing our curriculum provision, looking at our reward system and behaviour policy – we will share all of this with you by the end of this academic year. We are also looking at our communication systems so if you have any feedback or ideas that you wish to discuss to help us to move our school forward, then please contact the school office for an appointment.

Yours faithfully,



Mrs Joanne Andrews

WHEN?	WHO?	WHAT?
25/04 a.m	Whole School	Lighthouse session for parents – Dealing with anxiety
25/04	Year 2	Educational Visit – Steam Museum
03/05- 06/06	Whole School	Covingham Pupils artwork displayed in Swindon Library with other Blue Kite Schools
<b>06/05</b>	<b>Whole School</b>	<b>Bank Holiday school closed</b>
13/05	Year 6	SATs week - please do not take your child out of school during this time
14/05	Initially Year 6	Girls Quick Cricket club – information to follow from Mr McKinnon
15/05	Lower School (KS1 &FS)	Relationships and Sex Education talk for parents <b>4:30 pm</b>
15/05	KS2	Relationships and Sex Education talk for parents <b>5:00 pm</b>
16/05	Whole School	Friends of School ice cream van
20/05	Year 4	Educational visit – Butser Farm
20/05	Year 5	Educational visit – Earth Summit
20/05	Year 6 9-12	Quad kids
21/05	Year 6	Dorcan picnic
21/05		Girls Quick Cricket
23/05	Whole School	Photograph day – please ensure your child is in school uniform
24/05	Whole School	TD day – school closed
<b>27/05- 31/05</b>	<b>Whole School</b>	<b>Half term holiday</b>
<b>03/06</b>	<b>Whole School</b>	<b>Term 6 begins</b>
03/06- 14/06	Year 4	Multiplication check – please do not take your child out of school during this time
10/06- 14/06	Year 1	Phonics screening check - please do not take your child out of school during this time



We have received complaints from residents regarding parents blocking private driveways on pick up and drop off times. Residents have been advised to photograph the vehicles registration plates and report to the police. Please be considerate of our neighbours' rights.

### School start time

Key Stage Two children must be in school for 8:30. This is the compulsory start of the school day, and they must be in class on time to get a register attendance mark. Anything after this is marked as late and will be monitored or reported if it does not improve. Letters will be sent home termly, and meetings may be requested regarding poor attendance percentages.

The children should go in through their class entrance, not the front office. The office is a busy time in the morning, and it is not viable or safe for pupils to use this entrance as their way in. Please support the school and your child's learning and progress by making sure they are in on time.

### Staffing update and vacancy

Welcome to our new lunchtime supervisor, Mrs Togwell.

**We are currently recruiting for a 1:1 lunchtime supervisor – 1 hour per day.**

**If you are interest in this position, please contact the school office.**

In assemblies, we will be thinking about the following themes, Eid, St George's Day, VE day, Fairtrade, Mental Health Awareness week, International Families Week.

You can support this at home through discussions, media, and internet searches. Programs such as 'Newsround' also help children to consider World Events that we may discuss.

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