

The Blue Letter: 21st April 2023



Learning, Loving, Growing,
Together with God.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the summer term! Hopefully, it won't be long before it's warm and sunny each day! When that time arrives, we have hypo-allergenic sun cream in the school dispensers for everyone to use. This avoids having sun cream in school that may contain ingredients children are allergic to. It also avoids managing loads of bottles of cream in school.

Please read the letter sent separately about the arrangements for the next two strike days. 27th April and 2nd May

Jolf After School Club—We have had an overwhelming response to the golf club and we are discussing the possibility of a second club running to give everyone a chance. We will contact you on Monday and Tuesday to let you know who has a place.

New Time for the start of the School Day— Thank you for the effort you have all made to be at school for our new start time of 8.45am. Starting the day well has a positive impact on the rest of the day for your child.

SATS, Phonic Screening and Multiplication tests - This term is a busy one, especially with two bank holidays and various national assessments for the children. The Year 6 SATS take place from Tuesday 9th May (the day after the Coronation Bank Holiday) and the children complete a different paper each morning. Our Year 2 children complete their SATs across May, they are delivered in a less formal way than the Year 6 tests and often the children are not aware that they have been taking tests. The Year 4 children complete the Multiplication check at the start of June, after the bank holiday and the Year 1 phonic screening check takes place in the week beginning 12th June.

ParentPay and School Meals Thank you to all the parents who have signed up to ParentPay. The system is now live for you to order meals for your child from the 15th May. Until this date, please order in the normal way. The last date to order meals for your child for the week beginning 15th May is 4th May.

Squirrel Class fitness competition—Before half term, Squirrel class worked really hard on a variety of fitness activities. For a little bit of fun, we turned this into an intra-school house teams competition where children's scores were totalled and then averaged giving us a first, second and third. I can proudly announce that all the children worked really hard to beat their own scores. In third place were Red Team, in second place was Blue team and in first place was Yellow team. Congratulations Yellow team!

Parent Governor— Mrs Stent has reached the end of her term as parent governor and as she will have no children here after the end of the summer term, she will not be standing again for the role. A huge thank you to Mrs Stent for her work during her time as governor. The governors play a large part in the strategic leadership of the school. They meet at least once or twice a term and are involved in visits to the school in between meetings. We are looking for a new parent governor. Please keep an eye out for a separate letter regarding this at the start of next week.

Government to send test emergency alert this Sunday

Everyone in the UK will receive a test on their mobile phone of a new Emergency Alerts system on Sunday (23 April). The test Emergency Alert will be a loud, siren-like sound with a message sent to your mobile phone at 3pm. The new system will enable people to be contacted via their mobile phone in the event of emergencies where there is a danger to life nearby, such as severe flooding. Only central government and the emergency services will be able to send them. You can opt out of receiving them if you are in a vulnerable situation. Emergency alerts on your phone will not replace local news, radio, television or social media. To find out more information about this new system, and the test, visit the government's website on the link <https://www.gov.uk/alerts>

Diary and Advance Dates

Monday 24th April	Owl Class PE Fox Class PE
Tuesday 25th April	
Wednesday 26th April	Fox Class PE Golf Club— finishes 4pm
Thursday 27th April	Strike day—see separate letter
Friday 28th April	Squirrel Class PE

Advance Dates

Monday 1st May - May Day Bank Holiday
Wednesday 3rd May - Baseball/Softball taster session for Fox and Owl
Thursday 4th May - last date to order meals for 15th May
Friday 5th May - Coronation Party
Monday 8th May - Coronation Bank Holiday
Tuesday 9th May - Friday 12th May - Year 6 tests
Friday 26th May— Owl Class trip to Goodwood
Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June - Half term
Monday 5th June - Wednesday 7th June - Cobnor Residential
Wednesday 7th June—Reception 2023 meeting
Wednesday 14th June—singing rehearsal, The March
Thursday 15th June - Future Flyers
Monday 19th June INSET day
Wednesday 28th June—Concert St Pauls
Thursday 29th June GAS sports
Wednesday 5th July—Transition day
20th July—leavers BBQ
21st July - last day of term. End of Year and leavers Service 1.30pm

Achievers

Well done to all our achievers this week:



Squirrel Class: James, Leon, Elanya, Jack, Molly and Alex

Fox Class: Elsie, Elisia, Joey, Gully

Owl Class: Daniel, Millie, Tilly, Mollie and Bella