



5th May 2017

Good Luck Year 6!

The Year 6 SATs week starts on Monday 8th and we wanted to wish all our wonderful Y6 children all the best with this. They have the most positive 'can do' mindset, are well prepared and report feeling confident and ready. Mrs Creasey, Miss Spaul, Mrs Corney and Mrs Worrell are very pleased with their progress and their attitude. We are grateful to the Emerald staff and Mrs Burrows all for the shopping, preparing for and running of the after-school Y6 Club which all children attended.

The Great Reading Event

How do I get my child to read more? How can I best support them?

Several of you asked staff at consultations this year how you can encourage your child to read more at home and how you can help them to get more from their reading. To address this need, we are putting on a reading event at the school on the afternoon of **Tuesday 20th June**. There will be an afternoon session from 2.10-3.10pm and an after-school session from 3.20-4.20pm. These will be identical in format and content but we know that offering both time slots will help many more of you to attend.

There will be a crèche available for the after-school session where staff not involved in the event will look after your children and their younger siblings if you need this.

The event will be run by staff and pupils and it should be fun, informative, inspiring and relevant to all ages of children. It will be different from our Read, Write Inc. reading workshop. We will be giving away useful resources and refreshments too.

Please put the date in your diaries.

Online Safety

There has been a lot in the news recently about the large number of children who feel unsafe online, say they have been bullied online or have seen or been asked things which make them feel uncomfortable or worried. We are constantly reminding the children how to stay safe online at school and home but we are aware that several parents and carers have reported that their child has accessed inappropriate material at home accidentally.

Our advice would be that you follow the NSPCC's key tips...

- **explore the online world together**
- **talk to your child about staying safe online**
- **manage the software and tools your family use**

- **agree rules about what's ok and what's not**

Most sites have a reporting button.

The National Crime Agency have an excellent website of age-related child friendly activities about how to safe online. Visit Think U Know at <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk>

Ruby Class Future Staffing Change

Ms Ashby Otun will be stepping down from her Friday role in Ruby Class at the end of the summer term to give her time to pursue other things. She will be staying on in school though, working in Diamond Class as usual from September onwards. We are now looking into finding a replacement teacher for Fridays to share the class with Mrs Gionis.

Forncett Fete – a separate letter about the forthcoming fete is coming home today as paper copy or email.

Super Science Day

We still need more of the following for our science day please...

- 500 ml plastic bottles (clear, i.e. to be see-through)
- Other small plastic bottles (e.g. Fruit Shoot)
- Pringles tubes
- Cardboard tubes from kitchen and toilet rolls
- Carrier bags
- Yogurt pots
- There will be a box near Mrs Burrows' desk for collection. Thank you.

DIARY DATES

May

Mon 8th – Y6 SATS Week

Weds 17th – Super Science Day

Half-term week Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June 2017

June

Monday 5th June – school opens for new half-term

Thurs 8th – Class photos

Tues 20th – The Great Reading Event

Sat 24th – Forncett Summer Fete

July

Fri 14th – FOFs & School Family Fun afternoon

Mon 17th – School disco party with James D & Fri 21st – Leavers' Service - Break up for summer hols