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Dates for this term:

12th June: Class photographs

13th June: School closed - Staff training day

14th – 20th June: Isle of Wight trip (Y6)

15th June (Sunday): Confirmation at St. Andrew's Church

16th **– 20**th **June:** Year 1 Phonics Screening Tests **17**th **June:** Meeting for new Reception Parents

11th July: Reports day

14th & 16th July: Parents' evenings 3.30 – 6.30 23rd July: School closes for summer holiday 2.30pm

Hello again!

Welcome to June's Stan & Fran.

Things continue to move quickly here at school, so I would like to take this opportunity of a "quieter" morning to keep you all up to date with what's going on. This term we have been working on "Effective Questioning" with the staff and on embedding the new "Teaching of Reading" Lessons. The teachers have been working really hard on this new approach to reading and the children are responding well. A recent review of Teaching & Learning based around reading showed that the children were responding to the challenge of independent learning. Well done to all pupils and staff for responding to this change so positively.



The SASF Summer D&T project - update



Well done to all who took part in the summer D&T project. The children were asked to design and make puppets using sewing skills and the range and standard of the puppets was excellent. On Friday 6th we had a lovely exhibition in Francis Hall, attended by many parents. The classes have chosen 1st, 2nd and 3rd places, and our winners will all be awarded prizes for their skills and efforts. Many thanks to Mrs. Liebesny for organising this event.

INSET - Staff training day

PLEASE REMEMBER SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED ON FRIDAY 13TH JUNE FOR STAFF TRAINING.



Upcoming Trips & Visits

14th – 20th June: Year Y6 to the Isle of Wight.

This Saturday 30 of our intrepid Year 6 explorers are off to visit the Isle of Wight on our annual visit accompanied by Mr. Roche, Mr. Sam, Mrs Walker and Ms. Ramsammy. The children will be exploring local history and geography, hunting for dinosaur bones, learning about wildlife and plants and having some good fun along the way. We wish them a lovely trip and hope they all return safely.



11th June: Year 5 to Amersham



On Wednesday, Year 5 are visiting Amersham to explore a locality close to home, yet remarkably different. Let's hope they have their good walking legs and shoes on... Mr. Roche plans to take them up some hills...

24th June: Year 4 to Hampton Court

This will form part of Year 4's studies on The Tudors. The children will go to visit this historic house (near Kingston upon Thames) which Thomas Cromwell gifted to King Henry VIII.



9th July: Year 6 Maths Challenge in Hampstead High



This year we hope to do even better than the previous visits, where our school always scores highly against other primary schools from the area. The children are set tasks involving problem solving using maths skills and are observed working in teams. Fingers crossed for another good year!

Confrimation Mass

This Sunday 15th June, 7 of our children will be confirmed at St. Andrew's Church. This is a big commitment and a huge step to take as the children make their own vows to become part of the church. These children, once confirmed will also be able to receive Communion both at church and at mass in School on Fridays. Please come along to St. Andrew's Church at 11am on Sunday to help celebrate this momentous occasion in our children's lives.



Well done and congratulations to all those taking part.

Have a lovely summer term, Thank you all for your continued support,

> Mr. J Kelly Acting Headteacher