



NEWSLETTER NO 14 - Monday 22nd May 2023

	Term Begins	Finish	Half Term	Return	Term Ends
Summer 2023	Monday 17 April	Friday 26 May		Tuesday 6 June	Friday 21 July
Autumn 2023	Tuesday 5 September	Friday 20 October		Tuesday 31 October	Tuesday 19 December
Spring 2024	Thursday 4 January	Friday 9 February		Tuesday 20 February	Thursday 28 March
Summer 2024	Monday 15 April	Friday 24 May		Tuesday 4 June	Tuesday 23 July

Inset Days: 5 June 2023, 1 & 4 September 2023, 30 October 2023, 19 February 2024, 3 June 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

Schools are understandably twitchy at this time of year as staffing for September is reviewed and the resignation window approaches, not dissimilar to football transfers! Our staffing for September will be confirmed on the transition day on 4th July as we continue to give careful thought to the needs of the children and the next stage in their learning.

We do already have one farewell to say as our Bursar, Mrs Brown, has pursued a new challenge and has successfully interviewed for a role at a larger school. Elaine has worked at Wingrave School for 10 years overseeing financial matters, orders, contracts, service providers - everything from multi-thousand-pound agreements to £1 non-uniform day donations. Elaine has been instrumental in maintaining a healthy budget and I am very grateful for the support and insight she has provided since I arrived at the school. It is always hard to say goodbye to a member of our team, but we are equally excited and proud of Elaine for pursuing this new opportunity. Elaine has kindly agreed to help staff on one final residential trip and will be joining Year 5 & 6 at Willersley Castle in a few weeks; this will be her last week and therefore Friday 9th June will be her last official day in the office. If you would like to contribute to a collection and a gift, please provide these to the school office in a labelled envelope by Tuesday 6th June. I know you will join me in wishing Elaine all the best in her new role.

Sports Day 2023

Everything is in place for our Sports Day on Friday 9th June, weather permitting, but please still do bear in mind the backup date of Friday 23rd June. Staff will of course manage the children and run events so that you are able to enjoy spectating and hopefully the sunshine! Please note and adhere to following support arrangements:

- Children should come to school as normal, all wearing PE kit (House colours please), with a water bottle and sun hat.
- Parents are welcome to wait on site until we are ready to start.
- After registration, the children will come out to the field/playground and events will start at 9.10am.
- Parents and spectators are welcome to move around the playground and field to follow their children but please stay gathered centrally - we will demark this as clearly as possible.
- We are awaiting final details but the PTFA do intend to provide refreshments as in previous years.
- Please remember that the children should remain in the staff's care and we ask that parents wave but do not approach their children; we understand there may be upsets, especially for the younger children, but staff must retain safeguarding responsibility and keep track of the children while the site is open to so many visitors.
- The children will rotate in their classes around a selection of events in 20 minute windows so parents will have plenty of time to visit siblings.
- Parents are welcome to take photos for personal use, however please do not share any photos online where other children are in shot. This is for safeguarding/child-protection reasons.
- Parents can arrive and leave throughout the morning using the playground gates, however events are due to finish at 11.30am in time for lunch.
- Results will be shared with the children and the House Sports Day Cup awarded that afternoon and we will inform parents online.
- The school day finishes at 3.10/3.15 as normal.

Year 3 & 4 Request - Old Clothes

Following half term, Years 3 & 4 have a textiles project for which they require old clothes and/or fabric scraps. If you have anything of this nature they could use to resource this, please either see Mr Seymour or Mr Mayhew or deliver to the school office. These do not have to be in any sort of condition but please do not expect them back...

Class Photographs

Having been postponed, these will now take place on Tuesday 6th June, which is our first day back after half term, following the INSET day on Monday 5th June.

Mr M Tomson
Headteacher

Congratulations

Well done to our latest Celebration Certificate recipients:

EYFS	Mati, Tristan, Reggie, Imogen	Year 3	Alfred, Tyler, Lilly, Charlie, Harper
Year 1	Beth, Giuseppe, Jenson, Oliver, whole class for amazing positive attitude and trying their best during SATs tests	Year 4	Ellie, Beth, Anushree, Lily
Year 2	Ted, Rory, Gracie, Oliver F	Year 5	Dempsey, John, Scarlet, Grace B
		Year 6	Albert, Lydia, Olivia K, Adam, Ahmed

DATES FOR THE DIARY (New items or amendments in bold)

25 May	Year 3&4 trip, Go Ape
w/c 29 May	Half term
5 Jun	Inset Day
6 Jun	Children return to School
6 Jun	Class Photos
9 Jun	Sports Day, AM only
w/c 12 Jun	Year 5&6 residential trip
23 Jun	Reserve sports day
4 Jul	Buckinghamshire transfer day
4 & 5 Jul	Buckinghamshire secondary school transfer days
6 Jul	PTFA discos, EYFS & KS1 (5.00-6.00pm), KS2 (6.30-7.15pm)
7 July	EYFS trip to Cogges Farm
7 Jul	Football Clubs end
w/c 10 Jul	End of year reports to parents
11 Jul	Drama Club ends
12 July	Cookery Club ends

Attached with this Newsletter:

Half term Discover Bucks Museum activities