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Holidays are here!

We have said our farewells to Miss Garrett and Mrs Burnand and thank them both immensely for their dedication and service to our children here at Stockbridge. Mrs Burnand in particular has worked here for 8 years and made a difference to so many children. Her sports business is booming and she is off to a new role in a brand new school in Salisbury which is closer to home; I am certain that the children and staff there will benefit from working with her.

Unusually for us here at Stockbridge, we've said goodbye to some children from across the school recently. Eloise and Freddie Taylor have settled in well at their new school following a family move. Reuben & Florence Green have also made the move into a settled home which means no more army moves (!) and a multi-coloured bedroom if Florence's ambitions are anything to go by! Luke in Year 6 has left for a new school for the remainder of the term before taking up a Year 7 place at Bishop's Grammar in Salisbury and Bethany in Year 5 has moved to a new school in Salisbury so that Mrs Burnand doesn't have to travel out to Stockbridge each day when her new job is in Salisbury! Sam N in Year 1 has also taken the early leap into Twyford Prep so that the logistics of 4 children in 4 schools is eased somewhat! We are so sad to see them all go; their friends and teachers will miss them greatly and it will take time to get used to not having them here. I am sure you will join me in wishing them all the very best and we look forward to hearing about all of their exploits as I'm sure this isn't the last we'll see of them!

Have a great Easter holiday.

Kind regards,

Emma Jefferies Headteacher

FOSS news

The planned installation date for the new adventure playground has sadly had to be delayed due to timber shortages and will now be on 13th June along with changes to the Early Years area at the back of school.

FOSS have done an amazing job in raising money over the last few years for this and it will be added to from our school budget to ensure the project is completed to the standard we want.

FOSS have now got their sights set on new goals – more in the attached FOSS newsletter but as an early heads up, there's a couple of events going on in the first week back I wanted to make sure you were aware of:

TUESDAY 26TH – DRESS DOWN DAY in return for chocolate donations

THURSDAY 28TH – SCHOOL DISCO – this replaces the postponed Valentine's disco. It will run from 4-5.30pm and tickets will be £2 per child, available from class reps and Kathryn Campling on the first day back – I have no doubt it'll be busy!

Traffic update

The initial survey on the site and traffic usage has been undertaken by Hampshire County Council. I met with the two surveyors, an Old London Road representative and the Parish Council's safety working group chairperson during a busy Friday morning recently.

The surveyors understood the safety concerns we have about traffic moving both ways up and down Old London Road and also our collective concerns about safety crossings on the roads around school. It was the first time both had seen the site and our issues and it was busy!

It will now sit with them whilst they come up with proposed solutions so we will have to wait with baited breath - I will update you further when I have news.

In the meantime, please do notify Hampshire of any near misses whilst crossing the road or incidents that you are aware of – this is an important statistic to support our case.for safety measures.

https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaint enance/roadproblems

Sport

After last term's success in Netball and Rugby tournaments, plus the successful and popular football club after school, we thought it would be helpful to let you have details of local clubs that children can attend outside of school if they are particularly interested in the sport:

NETBALL

Andover Arrows Netball Club

Train at Rookwood school - start in Year 7 but with enough interest, they may go lower! Eastleigh Ravens Netball Club

Contact their junior rep: juniorrep@ravensnetballclub.co.uk

FOOTBALL

We are spoilt for choice locally with Wherwell, Broughton, Clatford, Wellow all having teams for our age children. Please speak to Miss T if you want contacts for any.

Andover have a range of age teams and a number of our children attend - go & join!

ATHLETICS

Following William's success, if you're interested in Athletics, <u>WADAC</u> in Winchester is the place to go for under 11s athletics sessions.

REGULAR DIPDATES

Keeping you up to date with regular goings on in school

Parent information sessions

Encouraged by the sunshine and a dry field, the daily We have changed our topic themes for nex half term to reflect the once in a lifetime event that will be the Queen's Jubilee.

All classes will be learning about life during her reign, the significance of this event and something about the commonwealth too.

It will culminate in a street party on Thursday 26 May.

We are of course in the summer term and we're opening the doors on TUESDAY 26TH APRIL (first Tuesday back) at 9am to find out, face to face, what your child will be learning next term this is especially important for those in Year 2 & & 6 as there is statutory testing this term for you child.

We realise that not everyone can do these daytime, face to face sessions so we'll be online on Tuesday night too at 6.30pm to share the same content with you virtually.

Please do try to make one of the sessions – they are vital for you to know how to support your child and what they'll be needing to learn by summer so that they are ready for the next academic year.

Coming Up!

APRIL					
Mon 25 th	8.45am	School begins for summer			
Tues 26 th	9am f2f	Parent info sessions – please attend			
	6.30pm v				
Thur 28 th	4pm	Disco			
MAY					
Mon 2 nd	All day	Bank holiday			
Tues 3 rd	3.15pm	Clubs begin			
Thurs 5 th	9am	Church assembly			
Mon 9 th	All week	Y6 SATS week			
		Book week			
		Bikeability (pm) more info to follow			
Fri 13 th	All day	Dress up day for book week			
Thurs 19 th	All day	Year R to Windsor Castle			
Tues 24 th	All day	Y5 & 6 to O2 for Young Voices			
Thurs 26 th	Pm	Jubilee Street party			
Fri 27 th	All day	Y5 & 6 girls to 'Girls on track' day at			
		Thruxton			
MAY HALF TERM					
Mon 6 th June	8.45am	Back to school			
Thurs 9 th	9am	Church assembly			
Fri 10 th	3.15pm	Reports out to parents			
Mon 13 th	Am	KS1 athletics competition			
	pm	KS2 athletics competition			
Thurs 23 rd	All day	Y4 & 5 at Hampshire Games			
Fri 24 th	All day	Y3 @ Dance festival			
JULY					
Fri 1 st	Pm	Sponsored skipathon			
Sat 2 nd	Am	Car boot sale @ school			
Thurs 7 th	9am	Church assembly			
Fri 8 th	6pm	Y3 Camp out on school field			
more to follow after half term!					

