

# Newsletter



## Summer Term

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Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to our first newsletter since our Easter break and the start of our summer term.

The new topic of 'Space' for Hedgehogs and Rabbits has got off to a flying start with an amazing collection of home made rockets being proudly displayed in school.

The Life in London topic is being enjoyed across both KS1 and KS2. Children from Squirrels class were able to share some of their learning in assembly last week with facts about the Great Fire of London. Badgers are finding out about Kings and Queens whilst Otters are investigating WWII.

Several children have been working hard with Mrs Taylor practising their Maypole dancing skills in preparation for an event at Cotton End Village Hall on Sunday 20th May where, as a joint venture with Cotton End community, our PTFA are organising some fundraising activities.

It would be lovely if you were able to join us to help celebrate the royal wedding.

As we are coming close to the important assessment time of year in school, could I please remind you that it is essential that your children are not taken out of school during May, unless they are extremely unwell. Many thanks for your continued support.

Karen Headland

**1st May**—Summer sports club after school 3.30-4.30pm

**2nd May**—Library Van

**2nd May**—Kempston fire station visiting Squirrels class

**3rd May**—Dance club after school 3.30-4.30pm

**7th May**—Last after school reading club for year 6

**8th May**—Summer sports club after school 3.30-4.30pm

**10th May**—Dance club after school 3.30-4.30pm

**14th May**—KS2 SATS week

**16th May**—Library Van

**16th May**—Last Coding club after school for Badgers class 3.30-4.30pm

**20th May**—Harry & Meghan's wedding breakfast at the village hall 10-12pm

**22nd May**—Last Summer sports club after school 3.30-4.30pm

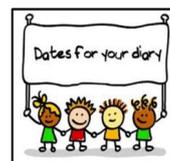
**24th May**—Last after school Dance club performance at 4.15pm

**25th May**—Tempest photography visiting the school today to take class photos

**28th May—1st June**— School closed half term break

**30th May**—Library Van

**4th June**—First day back to school following half term break



### Absences

If your child is going to be off school please ensure that you phone in to the office on **each day of their absence before 9.15am**. There is an option when you call in to leave a message on the answerphone, which is available 24 hours a day 7 days a week if you choose this option please state your child's name, class and reason for their absence. Alternatively you are more than welcome to phone in and speak to the office directly. Can we please remind you that if your child is absent from school for 3 days or more you will be asked to provide medical evidence to support their absence. Many thanks.



### Attendance

Well done to Rabbits this week with attendance of 100%. Attendance target for the whole school is 98%, currently the whole school's attendance is 95.7% this has dropped significantly the last few weeks.



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### Reminder—Holidays in term time



Following our letter dated 22nd June 2017 we are making you aware from 1st September 2017 any unauthorised holiday will trigger a fine in line with Bedford Borough Council guidelines. Should your child be absent from school for more than 3 consecutive days the school will need to be provided with medical evidence to support their absence. Many thanks.

### Parking Reminder

Can we remind you **not** to park under any circumstances on the yellow lines outside of school. This is both dangerous and illegal. There is parking available in the church car park and at The Bell. Thank you for helping us keep your children safe.



### Email addresses



We are sending school letters out by email. If you haven't added an email address to your Parentmail account please do so, can we also ask you to check your emails regularly for information. Many thanks.

### School uniform

Important Information

If you need any school uniform you can purchase directly from Josens on the Harpur street in Bedford. We are currently unable to buy online through Tesco's, we will let you know when this service becomes available again. Many thanks.



Our after school provider is running themes nights during the next term. If you would like your child to attend please contact them on 07833207070 or 01234 930505 to book a place.

Wednesday 2nd May - Cooking

Tuesday 8th May - Army Theme Night

Wednesday 16th May- Cooking

Thursday 24th May - Archery Theme Night

### PTFA News

The PTFA Easter holiday fun day was a success and we raised £133.00 in total! Thank you to everyone who came and well done to our lucky hamper winner!



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