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Dear Parents, Staff and Governors

This week, we have been enjoying the warm sunshine following the Spring Bank Holiday Weekend. There have been times for celebration and reflection this week as many classes have been learning about the meaning of VE Day. Yesterday, the whole school was led by Year 6 in a celebration of VE Day, which included singing the old war-time songs at the top of their voices.

Sports Day

Weather permitting, we will hold this year's Sports Day on Friday 4 July. KS1 will be on the field in the morning, and KS2 will have their races in the afternoon. Please save the date and more details will follow nearer the time, once the programme has been finalised.

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

Our summer production this year will be Charlie and the Chocolate Factory and will take place at the Village Hall on Tuesday 15 July. Performances will take place at 2pm and 5pm and all children in the school will be involved in both productions. Please put the date in your diary!

Reading for Pleasure

Do you sometimes struggle to know which book to read next? Well, Little Wandle, our Phonics programme, has introduced an exciting new feature on its website - regularly updated 'Recommended Reads'. Take a look and get into some fabulous new books this Spring:

[Our pick of Spring books for EYFS | Letters and Sounds](#)

[Our pick of Spring books for Key Stage 1 | Letters and Sounds](#)

[Our pick of Spring books for Key Stage 2 | Letters and Sounds](#)

Remember to tell Miss Hodgson all about the books you read!

Pre-Loved Uniform

We have a large amount of good quality, freshly washed Pre-Loved School Uniform that is available for a small donation of £1 per item. Please come to the school office, if you are looking for anything specific for your child.

Foundations for Life



Pickwick Academy Trust

FAWGS – Save the Date

We will be holding a Colour Run and Summer Fair on **Sunday 13 July** at the Alderbury Football Club. We are hoping this will be a big event including lots of the surrounding villages so please put it in your diary! There will be more information to follow nearer the time. We will also need lots of volunteers to help so if you would be happy to join us then let Suzy know!

District Sports Clubs

If any children are interested in After-School Sports Clubs on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, you can obtain information from the District Sports website: www.districtsportssouth.com

Please note, all payments for these clubs need to be made directly to the Districts Sports organisation itself, rather than via the school office.

Unused Stationery

If you have any unwanted, but unused, stationery at home e.g. envelopes, writing paper, greeting cards, postcards or post-it notes, our Owls Class would be grateful if you could bring it into school for their writing table.



“It’s not about how much we give, but how much love we put into giving.”

Diary Dates – new dates underlined

May

Monday 26 to 30 Half Term Holiday

June

Monday 2 Return to School

Monday 16 INSET DAY

July

Friday 4 Sports Day (AM – KS1 / PM – KS2)

Sunday 13 FAWGS Colour Run (3pm)

Tuesday 15 Whole School Production (2pm & 5pm)

Thursday 24 Final Day of Term

Year 6 Leavers Service – Parents of Year 6 Only (1pm)

2pm Break up for Summer Holidays

Best wishes

Mr Thorpe
Headteacher