



FRIDAY 29TH APRIL 2022

School Newsletter



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Dear Parents,

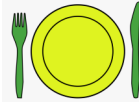
We hope the children have enjoyed their first swimming session this week, there has been a lot of laughter coming from the pool!
Thank you to the parent helpers that have volunteered with the KS1 classes.

Wishing you all a wonderful Bank Holiday weekend, let's hope for some Spring sunshine.

Kind regards, Sarah Vass - Headteacher

Week commencing Tuesday 3rd May:

Summer menu: Week 3



Second Hand Uniform Sale

If you did take the opportunity over the Easter break to sort through uniform, now is the time to bring in any clean, good quality items that you would like to donate to our sale.



To enable us to organise items, the final call for donations is **Tuesday 3rd May**. If you would be willing to help with the organisation and running of the sale, please contact the school office as soon as possible, we would be very grateful for an extra volunteer please!

All items will be available for purchase at very reasonable prices and money raised will be sent to the Ukrainian Humanitarian Appeal. In addition, a group of our Year 5 children will be running their own stall, stocked with homemade items such as badges and bookmarks in support of the appeal.

We hope that you find this sale useful both to recycle your outgrown uniform and to restock.

Clubs

All club places have now been confirmed via Parentmail, please arrange to make any payments due by **Monday 2nd May**.

Clubs commence from 3rd May, excluding Cheerleading and Street Dance that will start w/c 9th May.

Swimming Timetable

Please note there is NO swimming next Thursday and Friday. The missed sessions will all be rearranged to a later date, further information to follow shortly.

A reminder that swimming contributions are due by **6th June**.

SWIMMING TIMETABLE

2nd – 6th May 2022

Mon	Time	Tues	Time	Wed	Time	Thurs	Fri
	9 - 10	5G	9 – 10.30	2P			
	10 - 11	5Q	10.30 - 12	2M			
	11 – 11.30	Treehouse Class					
LUNCH							
	1.15 - 2.45	1B	1.15 – 2.45	RH			



Diary Dates:

2nd May - May Day - Bank Holiday

5th May - Second Hand Uniform Sale

7th May - PTFA 'Not Only' The Sponsored Walk

9th –12th May - Y6 SATs Week

W/c 16th May - Y6 Bikability begins

17th May - YR Dinosaur Day

18th to 19th May - YR & Y5 Road Safety

23rd–27th May - Jubilee Celebration Week

24th May - Y3 Trip to Colchester Castle

30th May to 3rd June - Half Term

6th June - INSET day

8th June - PTFA Bouncy Bonanza

10th June - Sports Day (KS1 AM / KS2 PM)

13th June - Class Photos

14th June - Y4 Trip to Gunpowder Mills

16th June - Y6 Crucial Crew

20th June - Y1 Outdoor Learning Day

15th July- PTFA Summer Fete

21st July - Last Day of Term

22nd July - Summer Holidays begin

(Further diary dates to be finalised shortly)



PTFA Not ONLY The Sponsored Walk

It is not too late to sign up to the PTFA's Not Only The Sponsored Walk 2022!

Sponsorship cards have now been issued to the children, please contact the school office if you have not received

yours.

If you are taking part in the walk from Forrester Park Golf Club, the route is around 2.2 miles (unfortunately it is not suitable for pushchairs and no dogs are allowed).

Arrival time is 9.30am to check in and the walk starts at 10am.

There will be tea, coffee and bacon sandwiches that can be purchased before the walk. The walk itself usually takes around an hour and a half.

At the finish there will be medals and sweets for the children, and an option to purchase sausages and burgers from BBQ.

Goof luck to all those taking part in the walk or their own sponsored activities, we look forward to hearing all about it!

Please find attached some updated information regarding our wonderful committee of PTFA volunteers.