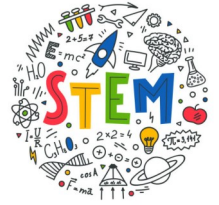




FRIDAY 23RD JUNE 2023

School Newsletter

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Week commencing 26th June 2023:

Summer Menu - Week 1

STEM Week

We hope the children have enjoyed the vast array of STEM (Science, technology, engineering and maths) activities this week!

Whilst the whole team has been important in making this a success, a special thank you must go to Miss Coulson and Mr Kitchener who have driven this project.

This exciting event was only possible due to the support of the PTFA, who have generously provided funding. We will be sharing photographs in next week's newsletter.

No changes to the swimming timetable this week.



Weekly E-Safety Resources;

Top tips about smart devices

YouTube

YouTube Kids

Please read the attached guidance for parents and carers.



Information about risk and reward of apps, games and other technological features are readily found on the internet via sources such as Childnet (www.childnet.com), Common Sense Media (www.commonsensemedia.org) and EST Training ('The 2 Johns': www.esafetytraining.org).

If you are concerned about an aspect of your child's online safety, and would like advice, please contact their class teacher in the first instance.

Summer Reading Challenge

This year's challenge is called 'Ready, Set, Read!' and is themed around sports and teamwork. The challenge will run from the 15th July until 2nd September.

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/> We will also be having a special assembly before the end of term to launch the challenge to excite the children.



Diary Dates

26th June - NHS Communication Station held at GTPS - 9.30-11am (registration from 9am)

<https://providechildrenandfamilyservices.co.uk/services/childrens-speech-language-therapy/>

(These sessions are for parents who are concerned about the speech and/or language skills of their

Reception age or pre-school child)

26th June - Meet your new teacher session for the children 1/3

3rd July - Meet your new teacher session for the children 2/3

5th July - Y3 Trip to Colchester Castle

10th July - Meet your new teacher session for the children 3/3

11th July - Y5 Thurstable Taster Day

13th July - School Reports Issued

14th July - Summer Fete

19th July - Y6 Leavers Production to Parents (6pm further details to follow)

20th July - Y6 Leavers Disco (5-7pm further details to follow)

21st July - Y6 Leavers Picnic, Ceremony and Goodbye (further details to follow)

21st July - Last day of Summer term

(Additional diary dates to be added soon, please check the Newsletter each week for updates)