



St John's Primary School

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Friday 27th May 2016

Dear Parents,

This letter marks the 'beginning of the end' – your child's last term at primary school! As I'm sure you are already aware, the second half the Summer term is a busy one in Year 6, so this letter is intended to give you as much information as possible about what we will be up to over the next seven weeks.

Curriculum

The main focus of our learning after half term will be our Dragons' Den project; this will have a 'Reuse, Recycle, Re-invent' theme this year as part of the school's Global Week which is immediately after half term. Our learning in English, Maths, Art and Design, Computing and Design Technology will all be linked to creating our products. We'll also learn about marketing, creating persuasive advertising, product design, creating surveys, designing packaging and much more! Information about the sale is at the end of this letter. In addition to our Dragons' Den work, we will also be designing and writing our own pages in our Yearbook, and preparing for our Buggy Malone performance.

Homework

I will continue to give the children spellings to learn, ready for a test which takes place every Monday. I will also set one MyMaths task per week. The main focus of our homework, however, will be devoting time at home to learning our lines and song words for Buggy Malone. I would really appreciate your support in encouraging your child to spend time doing this at home so that we can concentrate on singing, acting and dancing in school!

Trips

There are two very exciting trips planned for our last half term together; a bowling trip to the Bowlplex in Oxford on Tuesday 19th July, and... a trip to see a professional production of Buggy Malone on the evening of Wednesday 6th July at the Lyric Theatre in Hammersmith (thank you Mrs Perry for spotting this opportunity!). Letters and payment arrangements for these trips will be sent out just after half term; we are hoping to subsidise the costs using some of our fundraising. The combined cost for both trips will be £32 with the subsidy, and there will be the opportunity to pay this in instalments across June and July.

Fundraising

Some of our parents are already hard at work on the Yearbook – I am VERY grateful! We need to raise some money to cover the cost of this, and hopefully to pay for some other end of year treats and goodies! The Pancake Bar kicked off our efforts back in February, so there is already some money in the kitty. Part of our Dragons' Den profits will be added to class funds, (the rest will go to charity causes) and the Film Night will be a major fundraiser too. We also hope to sell ice lollies and ice creams in the Junior Playground after school on Fridays. Please let Ali Loftus Hill (Sam Hawker's mum) know if you can help with any of this.



Key Dates

Date	Event
Friday 27 th May	Bugsy Malone auditions
Thursday 9 th June	Boys' Swimming Finals at Henley
Friday 10 th June	Bugsy Malone and Awards Night at The Corn Exchange
Wednesday 15 th June	First Wallingford School transition group for some children
Friday 24 ^m June	PTFA Summer Picnic / Royal Celebration
Tuesday 21 st June	Maths workshop at Wallingford School for some children
Tuesday 21 st June	Making evening for Bugsy Malone production
Wednesday 22 nd June	Second Wallingford School transition group for some children
Wednesday 22 nd June	Y5/6 Maths workshop at Ladygrove Park School for some children
Wednesday 22 nd June	Langtree School Taster Day
Thursday 23 rd June	'It's Your Move' Transition event at Wallingford Baptist Church
Friday 24 th June	Dragons' Den Sale
Tuesday 28 th June	Cricket tournament for some children
Tuesday 28 th June	Making evening for Bugsy Malone production
Wednesday 29 th June	Third Wallingford School transition group for some children
Thursday 30 th June	Rounders tournament for some children
Wednesday 6 th July	Final Wallingford School transition group for some children
Wednesday 6 th July	Theatre trip – Bugsy Malone
Friday 8 th July	Sports Day
Monday 11 th July	Bugsy Malone afternoon performance
Tuesday 12 th July	Bugsy Malone evening performance
Wednesday 13 th July	Sponsored Run for Y6 and Y7 at Wallingford School
Thursday 14 th July	Wallingford School Taster Day
Tuesday 19 th July	Y6 Treat – Bowling and lunch
Wednesday 20 th July	Leavers' Assembly 12:45 pm

Friday 24th June - Dragons' Den Sale

The sale will start at 2:45 pm, and will finish at around 3:45 pm. If possible, I would like the children to stay until the end of the sale, but of course I realise that they may have other commitments that afternoon. Please complete the slip at the end of this letter to indicate what you would like your child to do.

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Child's name _____

On Friday 24th June (the Dragon's Den Sale), my child will;

- 1) Leave school as usual at 3:00 PM
- 2) Stay in school at the sale until 3:45PM, when they will be collected / may walk home (please delete as appropriate)

Signed _____ Name of Parent _____

If you have any queries or comments about any of the above arrangements, please do not hesitate to contact me via the Office email.

Thank you,

Jo Beckett