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Dear Parents,

Pick up from yard

For safeguarding reasons, please may we request that all parents picking up children from the home line do so in the school yard - not from the fence or car park. This helps us to keep track of the children and making sure they are going to a safe adult. We appreciate your help in keeping all our children safe.

Reading

There is a school expectation that children read every night at home from Reception to Year 6. At school we have noticed a significant drop in the number of children reading at home. Reading at home and at school promotes a plethora of things not only improving reading skills and comprehension - it supports language skills, cognitive skills, knowledge of the world around them, imagination, creativity and can boost confidence. Please, please help us and your child by encouraging them to read frequently.

King's Coronation Celebrations

This week the children will be taking part in a variety of activities linked to the King's Coronation. There will be a special party lunch on Thursday 4th May for those children wishing to join us. The H.S.A. will be hosting a King's Coronation Bingo for families at school on Friday 5th May at 5pm.

Curricular speakers - celebrating diversity

The children have had the opportunity to listen to an inspirational speaker regarding neurodiversity - the idea that people experience and interact with the world around them in many different ways. The young man named Abz spoke to the children about how he coped with autism, attention deficit disorder and celebrated the differences in the community.

Summer Term Assessments

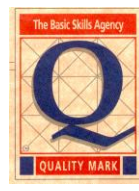
During the Summer Term, summative assessments do take place. Children are required to be in school for these assessments and therefore leave of absence will not be authorised during a testing period.

Year 1 phonics test will take place week beginning 12th June.

Year 2 assessment tests in mathematics and reading will take place at the end of May before half term.

Year 4 multiplication checks week commencing 5th June.

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Year 6 SATS commencing week beginning 8th May.

The results of the test will be reported to parents along with their end of year report.

Y4 & Y6 Transition Days

In the next few weeks we know that children moving onto their next school will be requested to attend their new schools to support transition. The school will pass on all relevant information to the next school to support a smooth transition. Please may we request that all parents transport their child to their new school on transition dates.

Class School Photographs

The photographer will be in school on Wednesday 7th June to take class photographs. Order forms and proofs will be sent to you in due course.

Collection of cardboard

Thank you for all the contributions of cardboard. We now have more than enough but are still collecting cardboard kitchen roll tubes and foil tubes please.

Monies

As we continue to move towards a cashless system, all payments to school can be made via Parentmail. For any further enquiries regarding making payments, please speak to Mrs Gillott in the school office.

Dates for Diaries

Thursday 4th May - King's Coronation Party

Thursday 4th May - Y3/4 STEM Workshop regarding glider competition

Friday 5th May - H.S.A. King's Coronation Bingo.

Friday 5th May - Y3/4 Girls' Football at DCHS

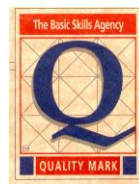
Monday 8th May Bank holiday - school closed

Tuesday 9th May - KS2 Y6 SATS tests begin this week.

Friday 26th May - Break up for half term.

Monday 5th June - INSET Day

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Tuesday 6th June - School reopens for pupils after the half term.

Wednesday 7th June - Class photographs

Regards,

Louise Fletcher

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