

23rd June 2023

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Dear Parent/Carer,

We are looking forward to the Carnival tomorrow. The country dancing is in the main arena at 1pm and the choir are singing in the Marque at 2:30pm. On Carnival day we hope to open the school to prospective parents between the Country Dancing and the Choir. (Approximately 1:15pm to 2:15pm).

Tickets for Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies have been allocated. Seats are numbered. If you requested extra tickets we have sent them and a note with how much is owing. Please return payment and the note in an envelope. We are looking forward to the performance and we are sure you will be impressed with the quality. The children in the school will be watching the dress rehearsal. Tickets are still available if you need any more please send requests and payment asap.

Our new starters will have their first visit to their class on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June at 4pm. We look forward to welcoming them and their parents. Uniform will be available to order/collect.

Sports Day will be the next event following these. We aim to start Sports Day as close to 1pm as we can. Parents are requested to bring their own seats or picnic blankets to watch the races. After all the races and at the end of school parents are invited to visit the classes to meet your children's current or future teachers. We will also be displaying Tote Bags which have your children's designs on. Only one bag is available per child. They will cost £3 each. The bags will be sent out following the Open Evening after payment has been received. Prospective parents are welcome to join us for the sports day and/or open afternoon.

The year 6 end of year events have been difficult to arrange this year with term ending on Wednesday and children going to induction days on so many different days with some not being in the last week. Please can the children bring the shirt they want signing by others on 4<sup>th</sup> July and we will make arrangements for it to happen on that day only. The leavers' tea on 11<sup>th</sup> July is a cream tea with Mr Beetham and Mrs Andrews in the afternoon. The leaver's gifts will be presented to children at the leaver's assembly. Year 6 Family members are welcome to attend the leavers' assembly which will start soon after 9am. The results of the KS2 SATs will not be returned to the school until 11<sup>th</sup> July at the earliest and we will try to secure ours so that we can send the results home on 12<sup>th</sup> July. (Any children not in will have their results posted to them.)

The Whole School Enrichment trips are taking place on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2023. KS2 are going to Swadlincote Snow Sports Centre and KS1 to Go360. **All Children will need to arrive on time and will need to bring packed lunches and drinks.** Children in class 3 and class 4 will need to wear trousers and long sleeve tops to be able to take part in the activities. They will also need gloves. The activities are all outside and so the children will need appropriate clothes for the weather on the day. The school building will be closed for the day and there will be no-one to take messages. Please ensure the person who is the first contact is available to take messages in the unlikely event that we need to contact you as we will only have the first contact details with us.

Menu Change – It has been decided that school will no longer serve curry and rice as the children are not keen. Going forward, on week 2 the lunch on Tuesday will be jacket potato, beans and cheese.

A reminder that the menu has changed on the last day of term to a Seaside menu: Flipper Dippers or Fishless Fingers Served with Chips, Baked Beans or Peas. Dessert Ice Lolly or Shortbread Biscuit

**Church and Chapel Notices** - 'There will be a Family service held in the carnival marquee on Sunday the 25th June at 11am. All are very welcome to come and join in. There will be a time for the children, and kid's activity packs available for those who would like them. The service is followed by a free buffet lunch up at the Village Hall.'

**PTFA Notices** 

Don't forget the disco on Friday.

Yours sincerely

**Gavin Beetham** 

#### **Dates**

27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> June – KS2 Production

3<sup>rd</sup> July – Year 6 –Go Ape

4<sup>th</sup> July – Sports Day (Afternoon)

7<sup>th</sup> July – School Trips (funded by the school)

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11<sup>th</sup> July – Leavers Tea

12th July Leavers Assembly (am)

12<sup>th</sup> July Last day of School

13<sup>th</sup> July School Closed for the Summer

# **Term Dates 2023-24**

#### Autumn

Start 29<sup>th</sup> August 2023 Half term 14<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> October Last day 22<sup>nd</sup> December

## Spring

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Start 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024 Half Term – 17<sup>th</sup> -25<sup>th</sup> February Last Day 22<sup>nd</sup> March

### Summer

Start 8<sup>th</sup> April 2024 Half Term 25<sup>th</sup> May – 2<sup>nd</sup> June Last Day 9<sup>th</sup> July 2024

Note there is also a Bank Holiday on 6<sup>th</sup> May when school will be closed.

Please note when booking holidays for next year the last day is Tuesday 9th July 2004.