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Dates for your Diary

Whilst every effort is made to give as much notice as possible of these dates, they are sometimes subject to change. The school makes every effort to give as much notice as possible.

End/start school incl. INSET days

New to list

Changed date

Summer Term (2nd Half)

07/06 Reception Class Assembly 9am
09/06 Grandparents Tea Party
12/06 Y1 Trip to Wisley
13/06 Y5 Transfer to High School Meeting
15/06 Y4 Trip to Nower Wood
15/06 New to Reception Meeting 9am
15/06 New to Nursery Meeting 6pm
19/06 Year 5 Bikeability
24/06 FoN Summer Event
28/06 Yr 2 Class Assembly 9am
29/06 Y1 Class Assembly 9am
30/06 School Sports Day
03/07 Health Week
12/07 Phase 3 Production 6pm
13/07 Phase 3 Production 1.30pm & 6pm
19/07 Awards Assembly
21/07 Leavers' Assembly
21/07 END OF SUMMER TERM 1.15pm

Children are welcome to use the field and playground until the 3.25pm bell. However, they may only use school equipment, the garden and play frames whilst supervised by a member of school staff during the school day. Thank you for respecting our school rules.

Safety first: Always

Earlier this week, there was a near miss between a child crossing Chadacre Road and a car being driven by a parent who had just dropped off their children. No-one was hurt but it could have been very different. Please consider your speed when driving near school at the beginning and end of the day. And please see your children onto the school site: Do not let them cross unaccompanied.

Parent Council: Your views matter

The parent council plays a significant role in our school being as brilliant as it is. Everything that is brought to parent council is discussed, minuted and used to inform the senior leadership of the school and the decisions the governors make each term. It is a key aspect of our value of teamwork.

Do you want to be part of the next parent council? You would be committing to half-termly meetings (can be evenings or during the day) and to being the representative voice of the parents in your class.

Give it some thought over the half term break and chat to your current parent council rep or Mr Chamberlin if you would like to find out more.

More details after half term.

Staffing update: A special thank you

As we approach the end of this half term, I wanted to extend our congratulations to two of our staff, Mrs Kate Mole and Mr Josh Chamberlin who have both secured promotions and will be moving on at the end of this term.

You will be aware that our maths teaching is cutting edge. Mrs Mole has been instrumental in this (along with Miss Nicola Ballantine) becoming part of the National Centre for Excellence in the Teaching of Mathematics, the organisation that has been instructed by the DfE to disseminate the Mastery Teaching method for maths. Mrs Mole initially joined us as a year 6 teacher in January 2013 and became our Special Needs Co-ordinator (SENCo) in 2014, guiding staff and families to ensure our children have the best education we can secure for them. Her drive led her to also become a Specialist Leader of Education, providing support across other Sutton and local schools. She leaves us to join the GLF academy chain of schools, where I am sure she will continue to impact on children and their families.

Mr Chamberlin and Mrs Mole became our assistant heads in January 2014. They have been a fantastic team. Mr Chamberlin introduced our parent council and was the library visionary, spending much of last summer here with his family prepping and painting. He introduced his love of basketball and coding to the children, providing clubs and introducing our green screen! Mr Chamberlin has been preparing for headship having taken on the role of staff governor, committing to ensuring continued improvement, especially in communication and striving for the best outcomes for the children. I am delighted that he has secured a deputy head teacher role in a large primary school near his home in Surrey which will stand him in great stead as he strives towards his first headship. I am sure you will join me in wishing them all the best for the future.

It is always with sadness that we see much loved teachers move on, but it also allows us the opportunity to recognise growing talent within our own team and I am delighted to share that Miss Nicola Ballantine and Miss Rachel Evans have been appointed to step up as our new assistant head teachers. Many of you will know that they lead maths and English teaching within Nonsuch and you may have attended one of their workshops. They have also been quietly responsible over the last two years for mentoring newly qualified teachers, supervising our school council, leading school 'residentials', leading our provision for children with English as an Additional Language, French and health week - all whilst teaching their year 5 and 6 classes and contributing to every day organisation of events and communication alongside Mr Chamberlin! I am sure you will join me in congratulating them on their promotions.

Reception Trip to Gatton Park

Reception went to Gatton Park on Monday. There they saw lots of mini beasts. They found creatures that live in water, in the dirt and in the grass. It was so much fun but very exhausting - some children even fell asleep on the coach home!



Friends of Nonsuch

Once again the Grandparents Tea has proven to be a very popular event with all tickets allocated early on Thursday morning. There is a reserve list being managed, so if you have tickets and cannot for any reason use them, please let us know so that we can hand them on. We are also looking forward to the Summer Event on the 24th June, so please look out for Parentmails for more information. Have a wonderful half term and we hope that the sun continues to shine.

High Standards of Behaviour and Safety

Thank You

Thank you to Mrs Green and Mrs Tuppeny (Nursery parents) for digging over and replanting our large bed in the Nursery garden, thanks also to Mrs Green for the donations of compost, seeds and plants. It's looking wonderful and the children are really enjoying watching and watering the seeds and plants.

Thanks also to Noah B and family for the donations of toys and games and to the whole Carter family for their continuing donations.

Sports Round Up

The school has been well represented in several sporting event over the past few weeks. There have been two **Kwik Cricket** festivals; one a mixed event and one for girls only. In both of these, our children clearly improved their skills and knowledge of the game and between them scored many runs, including 4s and 6s, took a lot of catches and mastered the art of overarm bowling!

We had the **Sutton Schools swimming gala** and our team of pupils from Y4 to Y6 competed well against very strong competition. A number of medals were gained and we came 7th overall.

We had another **tennis** competition for Y5/6 teams and took a team of Y5s to this event held at Sutton Tennis Centre. The pupils all competed well in their games and each time gaining more confidence. They were up against very strong competition and both teams ended up 4th in their pools overall.



This week also saw **Quad Kids Athletics** in this competition the pupils have to be able to compete in 4 athletics disciplines; 75m, 600m, Standing Long Jump and Vortez throw. We took 10 pupils from Y6, Holly, Ellie, Nell, Hannah, Alana, Thomas, Sam, Joe, Krishna and Yousif. Our fantastic team came 3rd out of 12 schools competing. This was a great achievement for the team and individually we also had Holly 1st Place Gold Standard, Ellie 2nd Place Gold Standard, Nell 4th Silver Standard Girls & Thomas 7th Place overall Silver Standard.

In all of these events, the children have shown great support for each other and we have all been very proud of them.

Year 6 PGL Barton Hall

Following such brilliant hard work in preparation for their SATs, last week our Year 6 class finally had the chance to cut loose and relax on their residential at PGL in Torquay, Devon. There was rock climbing, fencing, quad biking, archery, raft building - more excitement than you'd expect could be packed into only 5 days! Through it all, our Year 6's came out of their shells, pushed beyond their comfort zones and supported each other so brilliantly that one thing became very clear: these confident and driven kids are now ready for secondary school. Well done, Flamingoes!



Do you have any questions, feedback, comments or suggestions you would like to bring to our attention? Please fill in the form on our website, under the 'Contact us' heading. Alternatively you can email us: office@nonsuchprimary.sutton.sch.uk