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Dear Parents

### Re: **Headmistress's Letter**

As the Spring Term 2019 draws to a close, I thought it would be useful to share with you information about some forthcoming events in the Summer Term calendar and provide you with some reminders.

#### **Building Project**

During the Easter holidays, the present 'outside' wall of the hall will be knocked down so that the two parts, old and new, of the school hall can be joined together. A false wall will then be erected so that we can continue to safely use the hall during the summer term whilst the builders continue with the interior finishes to the 'new' extension. We are also aiming for the path and steps leading down to the playground from Reception, part of which will be under cover, to also be finished and ready for use at the beginning of the Summer Term.

#### **Oak-Tree Summer Ball**

The OPA Committee is busy working alongside the other Oak-Tree School's Parents Associations to finalise arrangements for the James Bond themed Summer Ball which is taking place on Saturday 18 May at Chigwell Hall. This promises to be an excellent evening's entertainment so please do book your tickets. Forms and letters are downloadable from the website.

#### **Photographs: Class and Sports teams**

Gem Photography will be taking class and team photographs on **Friday 17 May**. Weather permitting, they will be taken outside, or alternatively, in the school hall. The photographs will be available for parents to order before the half-term break.

#### **Year 5 Secondary School Options Evening**

This is a meeting for parents of children who are currently in Year 5 to discuss the options for secondary schools and the various procedures for applications. It will be held on **Thursday 23 May** at **6pm** in the school hall.

#### **Sports Day**

Our annual Sports Day will be held on **Friday 7 June** on the school field. Please note the approximate timings:

<b>Years 1 and 2</b>	9.15 - 10.30am
<b>Lower Kindergarten, Upper Kindergarten and Reception</b>	10.45am – 12.15pm
<b>Years 3, 4, 5 and 6</b>	1.45 – 3.30pm

Parents, families and friends are most welcome to join us for the event, which is a real highlight in the school calendar. Your support is always much appreciated by the children; lots of cheering and clapping is a wonderful encouragement for them! If the weather is unsuitable for Sports Day to be held on Friday 7 June, the reserve date for Sports Day is during the last week of the Summer Term, on Monday 8 July.

#### **Dance Display**

Due to the continuing Building Project, as predicted there will not be a Dance Display this year as we cannot guarantee ample viewing space for all parents. We will look to bring the display back in 2020.

## Celebration of Year and Prize Giving

On **Wednesday 3 July** we will be holding our annual Celebration of the Year for Lower Kindergarten, Upper Kindergarten and Reception children at 2pm, followed by Prize Giving and Review of the Year for pupils in Years 1 to 6 at 4pm.

## Summer Uniform

All the children should return to school at the start of the Summer Term wearing their summer uniform. Please check the school website for further details of the uniform for each Key Stage.

## Summer Term Events

The following list provides an overview of some of the events planned for the summer term. It will be further updated in the May Head's letter.

### Forthcoming Events: Summer Term 2019

Wednesday 24 April	First day of Summer Term for pupils
Thursday 25 April	Y5 Forensic Science Workshop
Friday 26 April	Y4 + Y5 Young Mariners Residential Parents Meeting, School Hall 3:30pm
Monday 29 April	Y6 PGL Wiltshire 29 April – 3 May
Wednesday 1 May	First Swim of Summer Term
Wednesday 1 May	Bancroft's Swimming Gala, Bancroft's School 1pm - 4pm
Wednesday 8 May	LAMDA Exams 9:30am – 2:30pm
Wednesday 8 May	LK visit to Ashlyns Farm
Thursday 9 May	LAMDA Exams
Thursday 9 May	U7's Boys ISA 5-A-Side football, Barnet Power League 9am - 3pm
Monday 13 May	Y4 + Y5 Young Mariners Base Residential 13-15 May
Friday 17 May	Class + team photographs
Saturday 18 May	Oak-Tree Summer Ball
Tuesday 21 May	Reception visit to Highlands Park, Chelmsford 9am – 2:45pm
Wednesday 22 May	Y1RF Play, School Hall 2pm TBC
Thursday 23 May	Y1Z Play, School Hall 2pm TBC
Thursday 23 May	Y5 Secondary School Options Evening 6:00pm
Friday 24 May	Year 5 Taster Day at Brentwood School
Friday 7 June	Sports Day
Friday 14 June	Y6 Crucial Crew 9am – 12pm
Tuesday 18 June	Y2 visit to Waltham Abbey Gardens 9:30am – 2:30pm
Wednesday 26 June	Y5 + Y6 Production at Lopping Hall 6:45pm
Friday 28 June	Y4 visit to Kentwell 8:15am – 4pm
Wednesday 3 July	EYFS Celebration of the Year 2pm
Wednesday 3 July	Y1-Y6 Prize Giving 4pm
Friday 5 July	Y1-Y6 Meet the Teacher
Wednesday 10 July	Last day for pupils, finish half day
Wednesday 4 September	First Day of Autumn Term for Pupils

I hope you have a lovely Easter break.

With kind regards

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Headmistress



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