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Dear Parents

Re: June Head's letter

Welcome back to the final half term of this academic year; one which seems to have flown by. There are, as usual, many events organised to take place during this last part of the academic year. Please ensure that you check the details at the end of this letter and the school calendar on the website.

The Year 1 performances of 'Back to the Seaside' just before the holiday were very entertaining and amazing. All the children delivered their lines, performed the dance actions and sang the numerous songs confidently and enthusiastically; a wonderful spectacle. Well done everyone!

The progress of all the pupils who attend weekly instrumental lessons from a member of our team of peripatetic teachers was evident at the two KS2 Music Concerts held in the week preceding the half term break. I am looking forward to hearing our Year 2 pupils perform on their instruments during their Music Concert on Wednesday 5 June.

Oak-Tree Group of School Summer Ball

The 'Casino Royale' Summer Ball held on Saturday 18 May at Chigwell Police Club was a huge success. Everyone had a very enjoyable time and were disappointed that the evening went by so quickly! Congratulations to Mr Hagger, our Marketing department and the four Parents' Associations who worked tirelessly for months to ensure the success of this social event in the Oak-Tree calendar.

Sports Day on Friday 7 June

The weather forecast looks fairly promising for Sports Day to take place this Friday, 7 June. Fingers crossed for a sunny, warm day without rain. If Sports Day has to be cancelled, please remember that the reserve date is Monday 8 July. Please note the following times for the different age groups of the school:

- Year 1 and Year 2: 9.00am- 10.20am
- LK, UK, Reception: 10.40am – 12.15pm
- Years 3-6: 1.40pm -3.20pm

OPA Summer Fete on Saturday 15 June

The OPA is busy organising the Summer Fete which takes place on the school field on Saturday 15 June. The fete opens at 12.00pm. Please do not hesitate to get in touch with any of the OPA if you can help in any way. There will be lots for the children to do and prizes to be won, so please do come along with friends and family.

Please bring any donations of books, teddies, DVDs or raffle prizes you may have to the Parents Waiting Room as you drop your child off in the morning or when you collect them at the end of school day. We are making Monday 10 June a Non-uniform day for the children "in exchange" for a bottle that can be used on the Bottle Tombola stall at the Fete. The bottles can contain squash, fruit juice, fizzy drinks, alcoholic beverages, bubble bath etc. Thank you in anticipation of your support.

Year 5 and Year 6 Play at Lopping Hall on Wednesday 26 June

The pupils in Years 5 and 6 are busy rehearsing their parts in 'Let the Games begin'. The play will be performed to families and friends on Wednesday 26 June at 6.45pm at Lopping Hall, Loughton. Further details about the purchase of tickets will be available soon.

Celebration of the Year and Prize Giving on Wednesday 3 July

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 4.00pm. Our guest speaker at Prize Giving this year will be Miss Jessica Herbert, an ex-pupil of the school. Both events will be held in the marquee on the school field and we invite all parents to come along, but please be advised that due to space restrictions, we can only allow two family members per child. Thank you.

The office will be sending out letters shortly with further information about these two events.

'Meet the Teacher' afternoon

The annual 'Meet the Teacher' afternoon will take place on Friday 5 July. Pupils from Upper Kindergarten to Year 5 will spend the afternoon with their new class teachers and parents will also have the opportunity to meet the teachers near the end of the school day. More details will be provided nearer the day.

End of Year Reports

At the beginning of the last week of term reports will be sent home for all year groups. These reports will be uploaded onto the portal on Monday 8 July.

Extra-curricular Clubs 2019-2020

As we broke up for half term, the school office sent home a clubs booking sheet for next academic year 2019-2020, so that we can organise the programme and ensure that staffing ratios are appropriate. There is a number limit to some of the clubs, which may mean that we have to operate a waiting list. Please would you complete and return the form to the office by Friday 7 June. We will then be able to confirm your child's clubs for 2019-2020 before the summer break.

Instrumental Lessons 2019-2020

We have also sent details of instrumental music tuition and, once again, we would be grateful if you could complete the relevant request form and return it to the school office by Wednesday 5 June. Please remember that you must return a completed form to the office even if your child has attended instrumental lessons this year.

We plan to confirm these lessons before the end of this term.

Forthcoming Events

Monday 3 June	First day back
Tuesday 4 June	Y2 Music Concert 3:45pm
Wednesday 5 June	Reception + Y5 Road Safety Day
Wednesday 5 June	First swim Y4+Y6
Friday 7 June	Sports Day
Monday 10 June	Non Uniform: Bottle Day for OPA Fete
Thursday 13 June	Y6 Visit from a local magistrate, 10.00am
Thursday 13 June	Y3 Camp meeting for parents 3:15pm
Friday 14 June	Y6 Crucial Crew 9:00am – 12:00pm
Saturday 15 June	Summer Fete 12:00pm – 3:30pm

Monday 17 June	Y5 Individual Parent Meetings for Secondary School 3:30pm – 6:00pm
Tuesday 18 June	Y2 visit to Waltham Abbey Gardens 9:30am – 2:30pm
Thursday 20 June	Y1 visit to Chigwell + Hainault Synagogue 12:45pm tbc
Thursday 20 June	Y5 Individual Parent Meetings for Secondary School 3:30pm – 6:00pm
Wednesday 26 June	Last swim of Summer Term
Wednesday 26 June	Y5 + Y6 Production at Lopping Hall 6:45pm
Friday 28 June	Y4 visit to Kentwell 8:15am – 4:00pm
Wednesday 3 July	EYFS Celebration of the Year 2:00pm
Wednesday 3 July	Y1-Y6 Prize Giving 4:00pm
Thursday 4 July	Y1 visit to Paradise Wildlife Park 9:00am – 4:00pm
Thursday 4 July	Y6 Stratford ArcelorMittal Orbit visit 9:00am – 3:00pm
Friday 5 July	Reception – Y5 'Meet the Teacher' Afternoon 1:30pm – 3:30pm
Wednesday 10 July	Last day for pupils, finish half day
Wednesday 4 September	First Day of Autumn Term for Pupils

I look forward to seeing you all at the many events during the half term.

With kind regards

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