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Dear Parents

Re: June Headmistress's Letter

I hope you enjoyed the half term break spending time with family and friends. There are many special events to look forward to in 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 'The Space Adventure' just before the holiday were entertaining and amazing. All the children delivered their lines clearly and sang numerous songs confidently and enthusiastically; a wonderful spectacle. Well done to all the children and to the staff who produced these lovely performances!

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 Instrumental Showcase evenings last term with performances from Year 3 to Year 6. I am looking forward to hearing the Year 2 pupils perform on their instruments during their Showcase evening on Tuesday 7 June.

InCas

Between Monday 16 May and Wednesday 25 May, pupils in Year 1 to year 6 took their annual InCas assessment tests. These are online tests in mental maths, general maths, reading and spelling. The results of these assessment tests will appear on your child's end of summer term report.

Extra-Curricular Clubs 2022-2023

The school office sent out a club booking form for the next academic year to all parents in Upper Kindergarten to Year 5 right at the end of last half term, so that we can organise the 2022-2023 programme and ensure that staffing ratios are appropriate. Please be aware that there is a number limit to the majority of clubs which may mean that we have to operate a waiting list.

Parents were requested to return their club booking form between Monday 6 and Friday 10 June by bringing it to the school office in person or by emailing it to classes@oaklandsschool.co.uk.

We will then be able to confirm your child's clubs for 2022-2023 before the summer break.

Instrumental Music Lessons 2022-2023

We also sent details of instrumental music tuition during the penultimate week before half term and asked if you could complete the relevant request form and return it to the school office by Friday 27 May 2022. Please remember that you must give one half term's notice in writing if your child no longer wishes to continue instrumental lessons next year. We plan to confirm new lessons by the end of the summer term.

OPA Summer Fete on Saturday 11 June 12.00-3.30pm

The OPA are busy organising the Summer Fete which is due to take place on Saturday 11 June. The Fete opens at 12.00pm; if you can help in any way, please do not hesitate to get in touch with the OPA or your OPA Class Representative.

There will be lots of different activities, rides and inflatables to keep the children amused, prizes to be won, besides a range of barbequed food and drinks. Please do come along with friends and family.

Thank you for your bottle donations for the Bottle Tombola stall on the last Friday of half term. Please bring any raffle, toy or book donations to the Parents' Waiting Room as you drop off your children in the morning or when you collect them at the end of school this week. Cake donations can be delivered to the school office on Thursday 9 June and Friday 10 June. Thank you in advance for all your contributions.

Sports Day on Thursday 16 June

We are hoping for the weather to behave itself to enable Sports Day to take place on Thursday 16 June. Fingers crossed for a sunny, warm day minus any rain. 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
- Year 3 to Year 6: 1.40pm-3.20pm

Should we need to cancel Sports Day on Thursday 16 June due to rainy weather, our reserve Sports Day is scheduled for Tuesday 5 July.

Year 5 and Year 6 Play at Lopping Hall on Thursday 23 June

The pupils in Years 5 and 6 are very busy rehearsing their parts in 'Robin Hood and the Sherwood Hoodies'. The play will be performed to families and friends on Thursday 23 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 29 June

On Wednesday 29 June, we will be holding our annual Celebration of the Year for Lower Kindergarten, Upper Kindergarten and Reception children at 2.00pm followed by Prize Giving and Review of the Year for pupils in Year 1 to Year 6 at 4.00pm. Our guest speaker at Prize Giving and Review of the Year will be Mrs Donnelly, from Haven House. Both events will be held in the marquee on the school field and we invite all parents to come along. Please be advised that due to space restrictions, we can only allow two family members per child. The office will be sending out letters shortly with further information about these two events.

'Meet the Teacher' afternoon for pupils in Year 1 to Year 5 on Thursday 30 June

The annual 'Meet the Teacher' afternoon will take place on Thursday 30 June. Pupils who will be in Year 1 to Year 5 in September 2022 will spend the afternoon with their new teacher and teaching assistant. Parents will have the opportunity to meet the teaching staff 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 on Monday 4 July, end-of-year reports will be sent home for all year groups. These reports will be uploaded onto the portal as usual.

Forthcoming Events

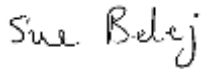
Monday 6 June	School restarts
Monday 6 June	Platinum Jubilee Celebration Lunch
Tuesday 7 June	Year 6 Visit to Harry Potter World
Tuesday 7 June	Year 1 Visit to Paradise Wildlife Park
Tuesday 7 June	Year 2 Instrumental Showcase 3.45pm
Wednesday 8 June	Year 4 & Year 6 Swimming starts
Thursday 9 June	Year 5 Parents Evening 2 (3:45-5:30pm)
Saturday 11 June	School Summer Fete 12.00-3.30pm
Wednesday 15 June	UK (Rabbits, Squirrels, Badgers) Assembly to parents 9.00am
Thursday 16 June	Lower Kindergarten -Year 6 Sports Day
Friday 17 June	Upper Kindergarten (Foxes & Hedgehogs) Assembly to parents 9.00am
Tuesday 21 June	Upper Kindergarten Visit to Paradise Wildlife Park
Wednesday 22 June	Lower Kindergarten Visit to Harlow Farm

Thursday 23 June	Reception Visit to South Weald Park
Thursday 23 June	Year 5 & Year 6 Play performance at Lopping Hall 6.45pm
Wednesday 29 June	EYFS Celebration of the Year 2.00pm
Wednesday 29 June	Year 1 - Year 6 Prize Giving Ceremony 4.00pm
Thursday 30 June	Year 1 -Year 5 Meet the Teacher 2.45pm
Friday 1 July	Year 5 & Year 6 Maths Fayre
Monday 4 July	Year 2 Visit to Rye Meads Nature Reserve
Monday 4 July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly to parents 9.00am
Monday 4 July	Year 3 Camp Meeting 3.30pm
Tuesday 5 July	Sports Day (Reserve Date)
Wednesday 6 July	Summer Term finishes

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

With kind regards

Yours sincerely



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Headmistress

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