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## Comments to the Head Teacher:

"Thank you for making my children so welcome; they have settled in very well and are enjoying the challenging work" - Parent of new children

"The lemon cake was scrumptious!" - said with relish by a Year 1 pupil

### School Librarians

Pupils in Years 4 and 5 are invited to apply to be school librarians. Information will be given to all children in these year groups and applications need to be made by tomorrow.

### School Newspaper

A new club is starting this term open to all children. The club will run at lunchtimes with Mrs Beckett and Mrs Stacey.

### House Captains

Year 6 pupils have been invited to prepare their applications to be house captains. They need to prepare a short speech outlining the skills they could bring to the role.

### Couch to 5K

'The road is shorter when shared with friends'. We are started hosting this opportunity for beginner runners from our playground this week.

### Meal Time & Catering Assistants

We have vacancies for a new member of staffs to join our excellent team. Further details from the School Office.

### NHS Flu Vaccination

All children in Years 1, 2 & 3 will be bringing home information about this Government led vaccination programme. Please can parents return the consent form to school by the 23rd September 2016.

### Car Parking

Please can I ask all parents to consider our neighbours when parking in residential areas close to the school. Parking passes are available for the Meadowlands and Riverside car parks from the office.

### Extra Curricular Club School Clubs

Clubs start week beginning 26th September. This term we are offering 15 clubs, the majority are run voluntarily by staff members. Children in years 1 to 6 will be home a letter detailing all available clubs for the autumn term today.

### Lottery Funding

We are delighted that our application for Lottery funding for £10,000 was successful. We spent the money on the Reception playground and are already seeing the benefits for our youngest children. Many thanks to Mrs Gawman for preparing and submitting this bid.

### Bag 2 School—advance notice

Please note the new collection date—

### Friday 30th September.

Bags containing used clothing (no bedding) should be brought to the KS2 roundabout by 9am.

Bags will be sent home this week.

### Parent Toddler Group

Due to the start of term and the planned class moves, this group will run for 3 weeks starting on Wednesday 21st September 1.30-3pm.

### Data Collection Sheets

It is important that we hold accurate information for all our pupils. Please can parents review the Data Collection Sheets being sent home early next week, please make any necessary corrections and return to the school office. Please can I ask parents to complete the new data requirements of both a child's Country of Birth and their Nationality.

### Conflict Resolution

Children have been using our conflict resolution script to resolve playground conflicts themselves. Children take turns to talk saying, 'When you..., I felt..., because...' The other child is encouraged to respond with the following question, 'How can you make your friend feel better?' It is very effective. You might like to try it with siblings at home!



## Diary Dates

### Family Assemblies in the Hall @9.10

Friday 7th October—Year 6  
Friday 14th October—Year 1  
Friday 21st October—Year 2  
Friday 4th November—Year 3  
Friday 11th November—Year 4  
Friday 18th November—Year 5  
Thursday 8th and Friday 9th December  
Nativity by Nursery and Reception

### Events this Half Term

Every Wednesday 9.10 Couch to 5K  
Wed 21st Sept—Junior Life Skills Y6  
Wed 21st Sept—Netball Tournament  
Wed 28th Sept—Alter Ego Theatre Y4  
Thurs 29th Sept—Photographs (individual) for all pupils  
Fri 30th Sept—Bag 2 School collection  
Tues 4th Oct—Harvest @ St Eustachius Church 9.45am  
Tues 4th Oct—Football Tournament  
Fri 7th Oct—Multi Skills Y2  
Thurs 13th Oct—Internet Safety  
Parents' Meeting 6pm (no children)  
Fri 14th Oct—Multi Skills Y3  
Mon 17th Oct—Internet Safety workshops Y5 and Y6  
Mon 17th Oct and Tues 18th Oct—Parents' Evenings  
Tues 18th Oct—Tri Golf event  
Thurs 20th Oct—Children's University Gold Graduation @ Plymouth University

### Term Dates

Non Pupil day—Wednesday 12th Oct  
Half Term—24th to 28th Oct  
End of Term—Friday 16th December  
Spring Term—Tuesday 3rd January  
Spring Half Term—13th to 17th Feb  
Easter Holiday—3rd to 17th April  
Half Term—29th May to 2nd June  
Non Pupil day—Monday 5th June  
End of Year—Friday 21st July

