

Dear Parents and Carers.

FOTG

This year the FOTG have worked so hard to plan and lead events to fund raise for the children. All the staff and children are incredibly grateful for all the resources and enrichment we have been able to provide for the children. We have put up a selection of photos on the library windows for you to see. Please do have a look during school days or at the School Fair/BBQ on Saturday. It is a lovely reminder of how much extra the children experience because of the FOTG committee, all the volunteers who help and all the community who support by spending what you can at events.

SUMMER FAIR

We are all looking forward to the Summer Fair/BBQ this Saturday. Thank you for all the contributions of bottles and sweets. The FOTG committee have been working flat out to put on this lovely community event. We look forward to seeing you and your extending families and friends on Saturday.

CLASS ASSEMBLIES Ladybirds and Bumblebees put on a super year group assembly showcasing their learning during this year. They have been such a lovely year group, particularly kind and thoughtful towards each other and adults, enthusiastic about their learning with all developing confidence throughout the year. The children always love to see their families watching them perform - for us this is a delight - seeing everyone's faces bursting with pride and joy.

Poppies and Sunflowers, in their year group assembly, showcased their year of learning across all areas of the curriculum focusing on their topics with Mexico being a highlight. The children were clearly delighted to see their families watching them talk about their learning, show pictures, sing and do their Mexican wave.





SWIMMING

We are so lucky to have been able to open the pool again this year albeit for swimming lessons only. Unfortunately the pool is no longer a resource we are allowed to offer to families after school, at weekends and in the summer, under the responsibility of parents, due to Safeguarding as instructed by Surrey. The children just in these initial 3 weeks have come on so much in their swimming skills and confidence. I have had the privilege of helping in the pool with Ladybirds and Bumblebees and I am so impressed with the children's enjoyment, enthusiasm and 'have a go' attitude. Having such small groups to teach means the children receive such bespoke tuition totally personalised to need, experience and skill which results in rapid progress.

We are very lucky to have Emma, Bradley and George as our qualified instructors, long may this continue.

PARKING

We continue to have an issue with parking particularly at the Trumps Green Avenue point. As you are all aware we are advised as a school by the Police and Community Police that all complaints go to them. As a school we rely on the sensible and safe approach of parents to ensure the safety of all the children but also to be courteous to one another and our neighbours.

To communicate and report regarding issues please ring Surrey Police on 101 or use the link below.

https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/roads-andtransport/roadworks-and-maintenance/report-a-highwayproblem/parking





TRIPS

The Year 2 children had the most special trip to Windsor. Due to the Windrush celebrations and the late opening of the castle the whole experience was the quietest we have ever had - the castle almost felt like it was ours. Our children were complimented by the educational department staff as to their level of interest, their knowledge and of course their impeccable behaviour. Despite it being a hot day the children loved dressing up in the armour, chainmail tabards and metal helmets and enacting history. They were as ever ambassadors for our school. We were lucky enough to see all the royal cars come to collect the royal family to take them to Ascot races in their finery. Thank you so much to all the parents who came to help us - without your support we would not be able to take children on educational visits and we know that you all thoroughly enjoyed your visits too.









The Year 1 children had a super trip to Virginia Water Lake. Again thank you so much to all the parents who supported the trip by volunteering their time to come with us. The Year 1 children loved sketching the totem pole using their observation skills to add detail. They also completed a quiz spotting the different plants, trees or wildlife in our local environment thinking about climate. To finish they did bark rubbings of different trees. No surprise that we receive compliments about our children's behaviour and interest in their learning – like Year 2 such ambassadors for our school.



QUESTIONNAIRES

Thank you so much to all who took the time to complete the parent questionnaire. We are very grateful for all the constructive comments. The questionnaires have all been analysed and will be reported to Governors. We value our community opinions and thoughts, listen to them and any improvements are incorporated into our practice and into our School Development Plan going forward where appropriate.





LEARNING SHARING

We have our now traditional "come and share your children's learning" afternoon on Friday 14th July. We will open all the gates at 2.15 for you to go to your children classrooms. The gates will then be closed to ensure everyone is safe. If you wish you may take your childrens home a little earlier than 3pm leaving only through the main front gate. We will open all gates as usual at 2.55pm.

UNIFORM

I know many of you will be getting organised for September regarding uniform.

We do have expectations regarding uniform which are on our website for your information.

We are mindful of financial constraints and now the cost of living crisis and wish to support all our families. The FOTG have a good stock of 2nd hand uniform which is as good as new and very popular.

There are occasions where we make reasonable adjustments with uniform, under the Equality Act, for children who have SEND needs which are agreed with me.

We will continue having the children coming into school in their PE kits on PE days as this enables us to maximise the time children spend doing PE rather than changing.

Wishing you a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

Sarah Morris





CALENDAR

EVENT	DATE	TIME
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SUMMER TERM 2023		
SUMMER TERM ENDS	Friday 21 July	1.15 pm

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SUMMER TERM 2023		
School Summer Fair	Saturday 1 July	
Children learning sharing	Friday 14 July	2.15 PM
Year 2 End of Year Assembly	Thursday 20 July	9.15 AM
Break the Rules Day	Friday 21 July	
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