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Mr G Stanley, Headteacher

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy Half Term!

We all hope that you have a fun filled and restful half term, whether you are staying at home or heading away somewhere. The second half of the summer term is always filled with lots of fun school events from year group assemblies to Tring Carnival. Keep an eye out for information on a whole school BBQ being organised by the Buddies.

House Rewards

We tweaked our house point system this year and it has been really engaging for the children. They have come up with the rewards and so far all houses have had their lunchtime queue jump and film afternoon rewards. The next reward is a pyjama day, so don't be surprised if you see groups of children walking in to school in their PJs!

Around School

Science Week has been the main thrust of the week. Year 5 showed great collaboration across their science activities. Year 4 had great fun making their brilliant birds and during the flying saucer experiment. Year 3 combined science week with ICT and created slide decks to present their findings. Year 6, having got their tests out of the way, have turned their focus to the end of year production. Auditions have been completed, the casting has been done.

Buddies Fayre

Once again I would like to say a huge thank you to the Buddies for organising the Fayre last weekend. It sounds like it was a really enjoyable day. The Buddies have raised a huge amount of money for the school this year. The fayre itself made a profit of over £3000 which has brought their fundraising total for the year to almost £10000!

Gas Works

Phase one of the 22 week gas main replacement project starts on 28 May. Debs is sending out some detailed info via email.

Science Week

All classes carried out two investigations, 'Flap the Fish' and 'Flying Saucers'. Each of these took up most of the day they were conducted on. The deep level of scientific thought and talk was most impressive. The third challenge was an engineering one where individuals or pairs of children constructed a 3 dimensional bird from card. The children worked hard on what was a tricky proposition. We are looking forward to beautiful bird displays in the classrooms once they are all complete. Overall, the science buzz around school this week has made Mrs Day VERY happy!

Fire Safety

Today, we received a fire safety inspection from the White Watch at Hemel Fire Station. They came in and checked our documentation as well as the physical elements around school. I am pleased to say that we passed the inspection with 'flying colours'. Well done to Mrs Spriggs for all her work around fire safety this year.

Tring Carnival

Tring Carnival is taking place on Saturday 29th June. Mrs Reeve, Mrs Hart and Miss Record are going to be organising the Bishop Wood contribution to the parade. One of our core values is 'community' so I hope that as many children and families as possible will join us for the parade. More details will be sent home nearer the event.

Friends of Tring Church Heritage

Well done to our school choir who took part in the annual FOTCH event on 11th May. They sang beautifully and many members of the public spoke positively about them.

Triathlon and Young Voices

A reminder for Years 5 and 6 to sign up for the triathlon and for year 4 and 5 to sign up for Young Voices. This can be done very quickly via the School Gateway.



Music Day – 12th June

A reminder to parents about Music Day on 12th June. If you are a parent/carer and can play an instrument, we would love you to come in and play for the children. Please sign up via the Gateway and share your hidden talent!

Walk to School Week - Junior Travel Ambassadors

Well done to the JTAs, once again, for organising the Walk to School Week Diary competition.

Coffee Morning

A reminder that our next coffee morning will be held on: Wednesday 5th June at 09.00. This event is open to all so please come along for a catch up. Mrs Guest has confirmed that she will be baking a cake!

Shoes

I have noticed that many children are wearing trainers throughout the school day. We are happy for children to change into trainers for break and lunch but black school shoes must be worn in lessons. Teachers will be picking up on this after half term. When challenged, children often tell us that their shoes are too small or that they hurt their feet. Please don't be offended if a member of staff contacts you regarding shoes – parents often respond by telling us that the shoes do fit after all and that the child may well be guilty of not telling the whole truth!

Celebration

This week we celebrated the following pupils in school:

3I – Alice F, Seb B, Lillie M-P, Ethan H and Jacob F 5F – Amelia S and Eleanor C
3B – Raffey H-P and May P 5R – Frankie H and Isla O
4H – Megan S, Jack V-G and Grace F 6C – Alice S and Jess H
4DR – Amber E, Ruby P, Marco P, Rupert M, Lucy B and Ava M 6M – Caitlin B and Lily-Mei L

Golden Broom – 6C

Other/Outside Honours

Matilda H, Cedd C, Luca D-S, Fraser S, Casper T, Oliver S, Lewis F-J, Harry H, Boyd M, Ollie W-J, George B, Francesca S, Milo O, Rhys F-L, Joshy W-J – Tring Tornadoes Football Club
Hettie J, Emilia W, Edee L, Maya T, Pearl S, Megan W, Lola S, Maisie L and Ava M – Tring Tornadoes Netball Club
Nicolina H and David B – Go Ape
Evie N – Baking at Brownies
Jess H, Charlotte F and Alice S – Swimming
Rohini P – Lollipop Making
Oliver S – Premier Sports
Gene M – TTFC Most Improved Player

Gold Reading Awards

Raffey H-P, Seb B, Laura C, Rosa C, George B, Louis L and Evan F-J

Important Dates

Mon 3rd June 2019	Back to School
Mon 3rd June 2019 - Fri 7th June 2019	Year 6 – Study Tour to Swanage
Wed 5th June 2019, 9:00am - 10:00am	Coffee Morning
Thurs 6 th June, 9.15am	Year 4 Collective Worship
Thursday 13 th June, 9.15am	Year 3 Collective Worship
Fri 14th June 2019	Dacorum School Sports Network – Netball Tournament
Tue 18th June 2019	Year 3 visit St Albans Abbey
Wed 26th June 2019, 9:30am - 12:00pm	Sports Day
Thursday 27 th June, 9.15am	Year 5 Collective Worship
Fri 28th June 2019, 1:30pm - 3:15pm	Reserve Sports Day
Mon 1st July 2019 - Wed 3rd July 2019	4H – Woodrow High House
Mon 8th July 2019 - Wed 10th July 2019	4DR – Woodrow High House
Tue 9th July 2019, 2:00pm	Year 6 Play
Wed 10th July 2019, 7:00pm	Year 6 Play
Fri 12 th July 2019, 2.20pm	Drama Club 'Wizard of Oz' Performance
Fri 12th July 2019	Buddies Moving on Up BBQ
Thursday 18 th July, 2.00pm	Year 6 Collective Worship
Fri 19th July 2019	End of Term – School closes at 1.30pm

Autumn Term

Mon 2nd September 2019	INSET Day
Tue 3rd September 2019	Term Starts
Mon 28th October 2019 - Fri 1st November 2019	Half Term Holiday
Fri 29th November 2019	Occasional Day
Fri 20th December 2019	End of Term – School closes at 1.30pm

For more information and to view letters about upcoming events please visit the school website
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