

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2016

Dear Families,

**Tomorrow**

Year 4 bring named sleeping bags into class for next week's camping trip!  
Last chance to return the Governors' Questionnaire - post box by blackboard.  
Year 2 return from their trip to the Mill at lunchtime.

Events in school next week 27<sup>th</sup> June - 1<sup>st</sup> July.

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup>**

8am football for Years 1 and 2

Year 4 take to the workbench with Made from Scratch working on our fantastic new treehouse structure!

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup>**

8am Early morning football for Years 3 to 6

SPORTS DAY! See over

Homework Club - so useful with extended homework. Do you need web access? Ideas? Resources?

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup>**

3.45 Art Club

Year 4 head off at 9am on their Epping Forest adventure! Carrying all their equipment and food and no coach! They have to get there, make camp, cook and survive! They are being supported by Tom Gibson, Craig Cairns, student teacher Tatiana Goodchild and me!

6.30pm Harmony Singers

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup>**

8am Year 2's early morning football with Coach Martin.

Year 3 are going to Kew Gardens

The wild campers return about lunchtime!

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup>**

9am Stay and Play - the last of the school year! Come and join your child in class for a classic EP maths game.

Year 5 have their fantastic trip to the Royal Institution to extract their own DNA!

After school - please stay and prepare the Fair! It makes SUCH a difference if, as a stall holder, you are sorted and ready on Friday night.

**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup>**

It's the Summer Festival. Our big chance to raise money!

Just a week to go and we need all hands on deck, donations and offers for the silent auction so that we have a great day and raise funds for the school!

**Thank you!**

To Mia Adebowale in Year 6 for this week's border.

**Congratulations!**

To the Year 5 and 6 Athletics squad had much better weather on Tuesday! We are very proud that the team came **3<sup>rd</sup> overall and WON the small (one form entry) cup!!!** This was a great team effort - congratulations to them all! To come 3<sup>rd</sup> overall with half the number of pupils of most primaries is particularly impressive!

**Hawley**

As many of you will know, Hawley Infants School is finally becoming a through primary school. Sad for us as we will no longer take Hawley children in Year 3, but better for keeping the Hawley children together. They move into their smart new school in September and so are having a farewell to the old building party tomorrow, Friday 24<sup>th</sup>. If you went to Hawley do please join them for a fond farewell after school.

### Sports Day 2016

This year's Sports Day is next Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June at 10am. All the children will race on Parliament Hill Running Track and/or the central grass area. We will leave school soon after 9am and would be grateful for any parental help on the walk. We'll probably end at 12ish and then stay up on the Heath with our classes having a picnic, weather permitting! Parents are very welcome to picnic with us: it can be a lovely end of term event. As last year, after class events we will all gather for the 100 metre finals and the 400 metre races, and, of course, the mums' and dads' races!

All children will need a packed lunch whatever the weather as lunches have been cancelled (usual rules apply and please remember our school policy of water only) and appropriate clothes and footwear. Every child needs to bring sufficient water to drink during events as well as at lunch-time. We will have some spare. Please watch the weather and dress appropriately. We are racing in our colour teams again so please wear a colour T shirt for your team (if possible).

As usual, our few 'rules' for parents to make it go smoothly:

- Please don't bring dogs;
- Please take care of toddlers and ensure they don't run into races;
- Please don't buy/give your child ice creams or sweets whilst they are with their class;
- Be ready for the mums' and dads' races;
- Remember it is all just good fun and the judge's decision is final!

Thanks for your support. We're always very grateful for parental help at the end clearing up too.

### School photos

School photo proofs are coming home in book bags today. The best way to order is online to get the full range of photo options from standard portraits to mugs and phone covers! There is also 10% discount for online orders over £25. Delivery will be to your home or chosen address within 2-5 days. You can order and reorder from your proofs online anytime in the next year. Orders can also be placed through the school office, but we must receive the order and payment in the envelope provided by 9.15am **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June** at the latest. Orders through school take approximately two weeks.

### Secret Silver

We have a new game at this year's Summer Fair, to be run by the staff. Please help! The children have had it all explained in assembly. Attached to the newsletter is a small brown envelope. Please add a **mystery amount of silver coins** to it - minimum 5p - and return it to the office. We are including £1 and £2 coins as silver. Staff will number all the envelopes as they are returned. Children can then spend 50p a go, name a number and are handed that envelope. Will their envelope contain more or less money than 50p?! We are aiming for a minimum of 100 envelopes so please donate and help get this fun (and mathsy!) game off the ground. We do want a range of amounts so don't feel compelled to put lots of coins in. At least one envelope per family would make it a real success - more envelopes available in the office.

Staff are also doing a staff baby photo competition which should be fun!

### Parents Evening - Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July

This is the final meeting of the year and the last chance to reflect on your child's year, and next steps for further progress with their teacher. It is also the meeting where we share your child's written report. Each teacher has posted a list of times outside the classroom. There are times on this evening and an alternative daytime/evening block as well. Please sign up! Valuable admin time is lost chasing parents every year. If you can't get in then email your child's teacher or the office and we can let you know what times are available. Thank you.

### Attendance for last week

Class	Attendance %	Punctuality %
6	98	100
5	99	98
4	98.67	96
3	98.71	96.77
2	98.06	96.13
1	98.33	98
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With best wishes, Kate Frood and staff.

# EP CARNIVAL



**SATURDAY 2 JULY 12-3pm**  
**IT'S NEXT WEEKEND!**

There's still time to sign up at the school entrance to run a stall and lots of stalls still need support: ice cream, mocktails, bouncy castle, Beat the Goalie, Nerf Challenge, spin painting and plenty more - something for everyone!

If you can't give the time please donate:

**Tombola** - more donations please: We need bottles of alcohol, toiletries, oils etc. for the tombola stall. Please drop them in the boxes at the school entrance.

**Silent Auction** - What could you or your contacts donate for the Silent Auction? Tickets for days out and experiences? Vouchers from restaurants and shops? Signed photos? Boxsets? Holiday homes?

**Food** - the fabulous International Food Stall is always a highlight....but we need food donations from EVERYONE to make this special.

**Cakes** - bakers please bring some sweet treats to go with a cuppa!

**Toys, books and clothes** - Clear out and rehome those unloved teddies! Donations of good quality games, outgrown bikes, clothes and books in good condition needed.

Also on sale will be an exclusive EP 2016 Festival t-shirt for £5!

Most of all tell your friends and come along! It is a fun family day out that brings together and celebrates our community.