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British Summer Time has arrived and the spring term is coming to an end. We wish all of our families a very happy Easter and holiday.



Community Spirit

On Tuesday last week, representatives of Summerlea Dance Squad took part in Time To Dance at Worthing Pavilion Theatre. They performed a fantastic piece to a Matilda the Musical Medley: 'Naughty' and 'Revolting Children'. Each child shone and represented our school and its love of dance brilliantly. Congratulations to all of the children and a big thank you to Miss Walker (Dance leader) who choreographed the piece. Thank you also to Mrs Viney and Mrs Hasted (parent) for their help behind the scenes on the day.

Last Friday was Sport Relief and we took part in 'run a mile with a smile'. Thank you very much for supporting this event which raised £331.55 for the charity. Thank you also to Miss Walker and Mrs Robins (PE team) for organising it and for their very entertaining opening act in Cowbell assembly (with guest appearances from Mrs Maxted and Mrs Wright!) which kick-started the day.

Thank you to everyone who gave up their time on Saturday to come along and join our beach clean. We had a great turn out and the weather stayed kind too. Well done and thank you to Harry Wicks and Mrs Chittenden for suggesting and organising this event.

And finally, a special mention to Amy Dunstan (Hawthorn Class) who has been litter picking on her way to school with her mum and younger brother. Over the week they have collected many bin bags full of rubbish. Well done Amy for her fantastic initiative and demonstration of our school values!





No clubs this week

Mon 26th: Year 3 swimming Year 2 Fire Service visit

6pm Year 6 SATs workshop for children and

parents/carers

Thurs 29th: FOSS Non Uniform Day - £1

suggested donation School closes at 3pm

No After School Care Club today

Friday 30th March to Friday 13th April – school closed for Easter holidays

Week beginning 16th April

Mon 16th: – school re-opens for summer term Externally led clubs begin today

Tue 17th: 8.30am Year 5 to TLA for Warhorse workshop

Wed 18th: Green Power Kit Car event day
Fri 20th: School Pupil Council representatives to
Houses of Parliament

Key dates and events for the summer term will be published next term.

Please also see our website calendar, as well as separate letters, for more information.















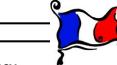






French phrase of the week

Each week, Mrs Lowe (MFL leader) is introducing a French phrase of the week to the whole school. This week our phrase is **Bonnes Vacances** (have a nice holiday!)



Chartwells Vacancy

There is currently a vacancy through Chartwells for a Kitchen Service Assistant based at our school. This is for 10 hours per week from 11.30am until 1.30pm Monday to Friday (term-time only). If you are interested please phone Sarah Chamberland at Chartwells on 07917 326817 for more details.

Parking Reminders

We kindly remind parents to park considerately along Hollyhock Way (not on the bend or blocking drive exits) as it's become increasingly overcrowded on the school run where congestion is going to cause injury.

We also politely remind parents that the staff car park is for use by blue badge holders only. We can only let other parents use it in exceptional circumstances with the prior permission of Mrs Morris, as spaces are very limited. Thank you for your co-operation.



Missing!

Following our World Book Day celebrations earlier this month an important prop has gone missing; an authentic recreation of Harry Potter's wand. The wand is sculpted in resin and measures 34.6cm in length. It came in a sleek, collectible wand box featuring an exclusive "Warner Bros. Studio Tour London – The Making of Harry Potter" logo. Please check at home that your child has not brought this home by mistake – especially if they dressed up as a Harry Potter character on World Book Day! If found, please return it to the office so we can reunite this precious item with its owner. Thank you.

Staffing news

We are very sorry that we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Lasenby (Receptionist) at the end of term. Mrs Lasenby has recently moved to West Chilltington and has found work much closer to home – she will be working at the local school as a Learning Support Assistant. We will greatly miss Mrs Lasenby's friendly and cheerful manner and unflappable disposition; often being the first to welcome visitors to the school and handle a wide range of enquiries both face to face and over the phone. Finding a suitable replacement will not be an easy task!

We will also be saying goodbye to Mrs McConnochie. We thank her for all she has contributed to our school over the past ten years and wish her every success in her new school. We are pleased that Mrs Croucher will be covering Oak Class for the summer term and look forward to working with her again.

We welcomed Mrs Welton aboard our teaching team last week and she will be working opposite Mrs Levantine in Year 2 (Cedar) class for the remainder of this year, now that Mrs Crook is on maternity leave.

Class Representatives

Thank you to all the parents who have put themselves forward for this. Our representatives are:

- Serena Batty Ash Class
- Lewis Overy Chestnut Class
- Alison Byfield Redwood Class
- Kerry Douglas Rowan Class
- Susan Douglass Elder Class

Class representatives are the link between teacher and parents for class events. They can share reminders, welcome new parents, canvass support and volunteers, plus support the teacher with requests.

If you are interested in becoming a Class Representative, please contact the school office.

Governor Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers.

Another half term is upon us and Easter is not far on the horizon. Just when we thought the weather was turning from winter into spring, the 'Beast from the East' arrived to ensure we kept our thick coats on just a bit longer.

We are sorry that due to work and family commitments Susan Reid and Jeremy Littlejohn have resigned as governors. We thank them so much for the dedication they have shown over the past few years in supporting the school in all aspects of school life. I would like to take the opportunity to welcome a new co-opted governor to the school, Mrs Marilyn Osborne. She has a grandchild in Year 1 at Summerlea. Mrs Osborne sat in on her first governing body meeting the week before last and I am very pleased to report she agreed to join the governing body. I would like to thank her for taking the time to visit the school and agreeing to join us. I am certain that we will see more information from her on the governor page on the school website shortly.

During this half-term, we found ourselves in a partial lockdown situation. I am pleased to report that no child was ever in danger and that the school staff behaved in an exemplary way to maintain safety and security at all times. Of course, after receiving a parentmail where the word 'lockdown' is used it may feel dramatic; it simply means we ensured that the building was secure, and that the pupils remained inside their classrooms. It is a word used by all emergency services and also by the Local Authority in their policy advice. As you know, safety is paramount and we work together as a team to ensure everyone stays and feels safe in school.

I should like to thank all parents and carers who took part in the recent parental survey regarding the leadership and management of the school during parent consultation evenings. We had 156 responses in total across the three evenings and a headline summary follows:

- 95.9% of parents agree or strongly agree that school leaders are visible.
- **94.3%** of parents agree or strongly agree that they feel comfortable approaching the school with questions, suggestions or concerns.
- 96.1% of parents agree or strongly agree that the school is welcoming to all visitors.
- 97.5% of parents agree or strongly agree that staff and children have good relationships.

- 92.3% of parents agree or strongly agree that staff actively reinforce the Summerlea Seven values.
- 87.2% of parents agree or strongly agree that the school takes account of parent/carer views.
- **75%** of parents agree or strongly agree that they understand the role of governors.
- 75.7% of parents agree or strongly agree that the school offers them opportunities to be involved in decision-making processes.
- 94.2% of parents agree or strongly agree that the school offers them opportunities to get involved in their child's education.
- 94.9% of parents agree or strongly agree that the school keeps them well informed of their child's progress.
- 98.1% of parents agree or strongly agree that the school keeps them informed about school matters.
- 82.7% of parents agree or strongly agree that the leadership and management of the school is good.

It gave some clear indications about the strengths of our school and areas for improvement that we can now address. One of those areas was that some parents are not sure about the role of governors at the school. In the near future, I will send out some further information about our role and welcome questions about this via our email account governors@summerleaschool.co.uk. I know that on our recent governor's day, some parents had the opportunity to talk with a few of our governors. This was very valuable because it gives us the chance to take your questions or concerns directly to the senior leaders of the school during our monthly meetings. I also know that Mrs Morris and Mrs Strong are usually both outside during the morning arrival sessions in order to speak informally with parents and carers. However if you feel that you require more than an informal meeting, they are both happy to be contacted via the office at any time.

As you are aware, due to the Key Stage 2 results over the last two years, we have requested support from the Local Authority. Their link advisor, Mrs Sue Williams, visits the school on at least a half termly basis. She has supported the senior leaders in drawing up the Rapid Improvement Plan, which she examines and

evaluates when she comes in. Her last report was encouraging and she stated she is seeing 'green shoots of success'. For some parents, the idea that their school needs a Rapid Improvement Plan may seem very worrying and leave them feeling anxious. However, just like any large organization, there are areas of strength and areas for improvement. Using a plan like this is a great way of organising resources, staff and training. It supports the staff to make changes and improvements to the school that we all want to see. Another update of progress towards the plan will be provided at the start of next term.

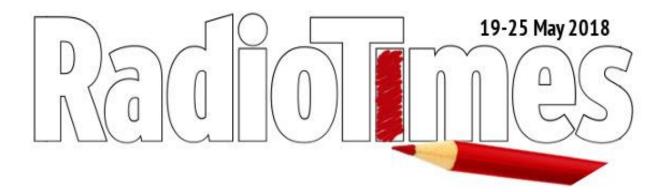
Bullying is always a really emotive subject to write about or address. If you have never had a need to read the policy, then that is pleasing. For some parents though, the policy is a useful starting point to find information to support them if they feel their child is being bullied. The anti-bullying policy at Summerlea should be read in conjunction with the behaviour policy as there are many areas where the two may overlap. The governors at Summerlea take all reports of bullying and other safeguarding issues extremely seriously. We ask the senior leaders to report on this at every meeting; it is a standing item on the agenda. We know that bullying can happen in all institutions. Bullying can lead to children becoming withdrawn, anxious and just 'not themselves'. If you spot any signs and feel that you need to speak to your child's teacher please don't feel worried about coming in. You are not just making a fuss and will be listened to. Children can find it hard to express their feelings and the more we can talk about this the more empowered children become. There are many resources that can support pupils, and even if they are not demonstrating bullying or victim behaviour, they might want to use these as a training tool. They may even be able to help another child to talk about their feelings or become an advocate for them.

I was amazed at the stalwartness of the Year 4 adventurers who continued with their residential trip to Marchants Hill despite the freezing cold temperatures and snow. How they managed to thaw out and return to school the following week I shall never know! Thank you to all who took part in this trip (staff and volunteers) and made it possible for the pupils to enjoy the experience. I am certain they will remember it for a long time.

Enjoy the Easter break and hopefully we'll see plenty of sunshine.

Bev Crowter

Chair of Governors



Radio Times is running a nationwide competition for children to design the front cover of the magazine, to celebrate the wedding of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle on 19 May...

We're calling all young artists to design a cover for the forthcoming royal wedding. You can use any colour, material or technique you like; you can draw, paint or create your entry on a computer! Your design should be eye-catching, imaginative and show what the wedding means to you.

Entrants must be 12 years old or younger to enter the competition. The overall winning entry will appear on the cover of RT's special royal wedding issue – and will be seen by millions of people! In addition, 100 of the best entries will also be published in the same issue of the magazine, on sale 15 May 2018.

You can download and print out a template from <u>radiotimes.com/weddingcover</u>, which has the Radio Times lettering at the top and is in the correct portrait format. If you prefer, you can use an A4 piece of paper to create your design - leave room for the Radio Times lettering!

If you'd like to share pictures of the creative process of your cover design lesson via social media, please use the hashtag #RadioTimesRoyalWedding – we'll share our favourites!







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The closing date for entries is 6pm on Wednesday 18 April 2018. Full details of how to enter the competition, plus terms and conditions, can be found in Radio Times issue on sale Tuesday 13 March, and also at radiotimes.com/weddingcover







Measles in Surrey and Sussex

Recently there have been more than 20 confirmed or probable cases of Measles in Surrey.

Please see the information below and attached leaflet:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/mmr-for-all-general-leaflet

Suspected cases must be excluded from school, nursery or work for 4 days after the onset of rash.

Clinical signs and symptoms of measles include:

Early or **prodromal**:

- High **fever**, typically increases during the prodromal phase and peaks (>39°C) around the rash onset
- Coryzal symptoms (cough, cold, or runny nose)
- Red and watery eyes or conjunctivitis
- **Koplik spots** (small red spots with bluish-white centre) on buccal mucosa <u>may</u> appear around the time of the rash, sometimes one day before, and last for 2-3 days after the rash appears.

Later symptoms:

• Characteristic red/brown blotchy **maculopapular (non-vesicular) rash** (appears 3-4 days after initial symptom onset). The typical rash is non-itchy, starts on the face and upper neck behind the ears, then spreads across the trunk and limbs eventually reaching the hands and feet.

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles/symptoms/

Holiday Return MENU

JACKET POTATO
with a choice of:
BAKED BEANS
CHEESE
TUNA MAYO

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SWEETCORN & BEETROOT SALAD

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PEACH SLICES WITH CUSTARD

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MILK OR WATER

This menu is subject to availability and a selection of items will be offered.

The menu will be in use when access to schools are limited during the half term/bank holidays and inset days





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Week one

Sausages in Gravy & Mashed Potato

Butternut Squash & Chickpea

Jacket Potato with Filling

Choose a main meal.. Macaroni Cheese v

Chicken Korma & Rice

Jacket Potato with Filling

Choose a main meal..

Roast Chicken in Gravy with Roast Potatoes Veggie Sausage in Gravy & Roast Potatoes v

Jacket Potato with Filling

Choose a main meal... Cheese & Tomato Pizza v

Beef Pasta Bolognese

Jacket Potato with Filling

Choose a main meal. Fish & Chips

Veggie Burger in a Bun & Chips v

Jacket Potato with Filling

Week two

Iacket Potato with Filling

Choose a main meal... BBQ Chicken & Rice

Shepherdess Pie v

3/04 14/05 11/06 02/07 23/07 10/09 01/10

Choose a main meal... Cheese & Tomato Pasta v

for dessert... Cheese & Biscuits or Fruit Salad

on the side. Rainbow Vegetables or

for dessert Fruit Yoghurt with Melon Slices or Fruit Salad

on the side.

Spring Vegetables

Fruit Yoghurt & Granola or Fruit Salad

on the Side... Sweetcorn & Peas or Salad

for dessert... Apple Cake & Custard or Fruit Salad

on the Side... Baked Beans or Salad for dessert... Apricot Shortbread or Fruit Salad

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Choose a main meal. Macaroni Cheese v

for dessert... Fruit Yoghurt with Apple & Orange Slices or Fruit Salad Jacket Potato with Filling

Peas & Sweetcorn or Salad for dessert... Lemon Drizzle Cake or Fruit Salad

Sliced Carrots or Salad

Jacket Potato with Filling

Choose a main meal... Roast Sliced Ham in Gravy with

Roast Potatoes Cauliflower & Sweetcorn Bake with Roast Potatoes v

Jacket Potato with Filling

Choose a main meal... Chicken Fillet Burger in a Bun with Lettuce & Mayo

Veggie Bean & Sausage Casserole with Diced Potatoes v Jacket Potato with Filling

Choose a main meal. Fish & Chips

Free Range Omelette & Chips v Jacket Potato with Filling

Spring Vegetables

on the side..

for dessert... Fruit Yoghurt with Melon Slices or Fruit Salad

Rainbow Vegetables or Salad & Cole

for dessert. Chocolate Muffin or Fruit Salad

on the Side... Baked Beans or Salad

for dessert... Fruit Yoghurt & Granola or Fruit Salad

Week three

Mild Bean Chilli & Rice v

Jacket Potato with Filling

Choose a main meal... Roast Chicken in Gravy with

Veggie Sausage in Gravy & Roast

Jacket Potato with Filling

Chicken Tikka Masala & Rice

Veggie Pasta Bolognese v

Jacket Potato with Filling

Choose a main mea Fish & Chips

Quorn Hotdog in a Bun with Chips v

Jacket Potato with Filling

on the Side... Slice Carrots & Salad

Raspberry Sponge & Custard or Fruit Salad

Choose a main meal...
GREAT BRITISH BRUNCH
Chipolata's, Potato, Omelette & Baked Beans

Veggie Grill, Potato, Omelette & Baked Beans v

for dessert... Apricot Shortbread or Fruit Salad

on the side Spring Vegetables for dessert Fruit Yoghurt & Granola or Fruit Salad

on the side... Rainbow Vegetables

for dessert... Cheese & Biscuits

or Fruit Salad

on the side... Peas or Salad

for dessert... Fruit Yoghurt with Melon Slices or Fruit Salad

Bloomer Bread

Available EVERY DA)



Our chicken and milk are Red



IS AVAILABLE ON A DAILY BASIS

VER 30%

















FARM TO FORK We can trace every cut of meat back to the farms of origin



FUN DAY

Come and Join us for our Easter Family Fun Day Wednesday 4th April 2018 10 AM - 3 DM

Activities include;

Bouncy Castle, Indoor

Games, Easter Treasure Hunt

Sensory Play and Stories,

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Chichester College
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Chichester
PO19 1SB

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO EXPRESS AN INTEREST

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