



Weekly Update 21st June 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy World Music Day and the longest (and what feels like the hottest) day of the year.

As it is World Music Day and we love music, Mrs Maxey will be leading a special Collective Worship this afternoon and we will be recording a video of the children singing as part of our celebrations.

Creativity: Our focus Habit of Mind this term is Creativity, looking at how we imagine, take risks and solve problems. This week in Collective Worship we have explored how creativity can take perseverance as we try things in different ways looking for the best solutions. We are sometimes quick to feel like we have given something a go and if it doesn't work we lose heart but problems are solved and new things are created when we try lots of other ways. It's all too easy just to think 'well that didn't work so I'll give up'. One of the phrases in our shared language is "**What else could you try...**" It is helpful to remember there are usually a number of things we can try when creating something and solving problems.

Heat Alert: Next week, it is forecast for a spell of hotter weather and a Yellow heat alert has been issued. Please provide your child with a sun hat and apply sun protection cream before school. We will be encouraging the children to drink lots and to stay in the shade at the hottest parts of the day. We will also be keeping classrooms as cool as possible. Pupils should still be wearing correct school uniform.

Friendly Feedback Form: If you have an encouragement or suggestion to share please do take a quick moment to complete our **Friendly Feedback Form**.

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Thank you to those who have done so previously. We do look carefully at these and are already taking action on a number of your helpful suggestions. We are also very grateful for your kind encouragements.

Transition Day: On Wednesday 3rd July, the children will be spending the morning with their teachers for next year. The majority of Year 6 children will be at their new secondary schools that day. We will share which teacher is with each class earlier in that week. It is always an important time of year in preparing the children for the move into a new year group and our transition goes beyond our transition day and will include lots of opportunities for pupils to get to know their new teachers and think and talk about the changes ahead.

INSET Days next year: Our INSET days (Staff Training Days) for next year are as follows:



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Monday 2nd September

Friday 27th September

Friday 31st January

Monday 21st July

Tuesday 22nd July

The school will not be open on these days.

Dates for your Diary: Don't forget to check the dates for your diary for all the upcoming events with lots of things happening over the exciting summer term: https://docs.google.com/document/d/10-Qagv3rcTOhllGpgLuw5Jpz_roi8-UQP-67qL45jBc/edit

There are a number of performances and visits coming up in the weeks ahead so do check you have everything in your diary.

I'll finish with a **prayer** focussed on World Music Day, which you are welcome to join me in praying:

Dear God,

We thank you for the wonder and beauty of music and how it joins us together as a school. We pray that the musical opportunities children have at our school will inspire and equip them through their lives. For those who haven't yet had the confidence to give things a go in Music, may they be inspired by World Music Day and have the discipline to get started.

Amen

Have a wonderful weekend everybody!

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