

'When one teaches, two learn.' -Robert Heinlein

Spring Term/Easter Assembly - Friday 5th April at 1.20pm

You are very welcome to join us for our end of term celebration, certificate and class attendance assembly which will be held on Friday 5th April at 1.20pm, with the school day ending at 2.00pm.

There will be a special award, during the assembly, for Mrs Prue who celebrates 30 years of service at Purwell School this academic year. A great achievement!

The huge amount of lost property will also be on display.

Clubs

There will be no Key Stage 1 Gymnastics Club after school this Friday (5th April). As this is the last day of term, as stated previously, pupils should be collected at 2:00pm after our end of term assembly.

Parking

We would like to remind parents about parking considerately, particularly at drop-off and collection times. When parking, we ask that you ensure that access to neighbouring properties is maintained at all times and that driveways are not blocked.

School Lunches

With this newsletter, you should receive a copy of the new school lunch menu which will start after the Easter holiday. Please keep this in a safe place as it will run until the October half term. Parents should ensure that payment for school lunches is made in advance.

Healthy Snacks

Please make sure that any snacks that the children bring in as part of their packed lunches are healthy. Also, please remember anything containing nuts is not allowed.

Introducing the Summer Maths Bee

Following of the success of last year's Spelling Bee, this Summer, we will be launching a Summer Maths Bee. This Easter break, children will take home a number of year group-appropriate Maths facts to learn off-by-heart. On their return to school, the children who wish to take part, can volunteer to answer as many questions as possible either in their class or even in assembly!

Happy Birthday Mrs Constable

Today is a very special day for our long-serving cleaner, Mrs Constable, as she celebrates her 80th birthday. We wish her a wonderful birthday!

Sports Successes

Huge congratulations to our hockey team on their success at a Quick Sticks competition held at Hitchin Boys' School last week. After winning their group, our players progressed through to the final of the competition where they narrowly lost, 1-0, to Samuel Lucas. What a tremendous achievement!

Continuing the theme of sporting success, having won the Pix Cup earlier in the season, our A Team footballers reached the semi-final of the recent End of Season Rally, held at Wilshere-Dacre School, to cap a tremendous season for the team. The final football action of this season will see some of our Year 4 players participating in a rally at Highover School, this Wednesday (3rd April). We wish them good luck!

Technological Toys

If you have any unwanted technological toys with knobs or pulleys, or any which will work by pressing parts or lifting flaps to achieve effects such as sound, movements or new images, then the EYFS will be very grateful to receive them to help the children with their learning. Thank you.

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Gardening Club

Any donations of bedding flowers or perennial flower seeds would be greatly appreciated by the gardening club. Thank you.

Volunteer artist needed for Nursery mural

Now the roof work is complete and Nursery has a new canopy, we want to further enhance this area with a new mural. We are looking for an artistic parent, or two, to design and then paint a new colourful and vibrant mural, which will adorn the Nursery courtyard for years to come. The school/PSA will cover all the costs for materials used.

If you are interested in volunteering yourself for this project, please let Mrs Prue know, via the school office.

Dates for Spring Term 2019

Please ensure that these dates are in your diaries

Wednesday 3rd April	Year 4 Football Rally at Highover School
Friday 5th April	Easter and Certificate Assembly (1.20pm) End of term (2.00pm)

Dates for Summer Term 2019

Tuesday 23 rd April	School closed for an INSET Day
Wednesday 24 th April	Children should return to school
Thursday 25 th April	Swimming begins for Y4
Friday 26 th April	Year 4 visit to a Saxon village
Saturday 27 th April	A Team Netball Rally
Wednesday 1 st May	Class and Team photographs B Team Netball Rally
Monday 6 th May	Bank Holiday
13 th to 17 th May	Key Stage 2 SATs week
Half term - 27 th to 31 st May	
Thursday 6 th June	Year 5 swimming begins
Wednesday 26 th June	PHASE in for second visit to Y6, E-Safety
Friday 28 th June	Sports Day (Acorn and Key Stage 1 - morning, Key Stage 2 - afternoon)
Tuesday 9 th July	Hitchin Schools Athletics Year 6 to Crucial Crew
Wednesday 10 th July	Open Day and Evening
Thursday 11 th July	Meet the teacher morning (pupils visit September class)
Thursday 11 th July	Annual Reports go home
Friday 12 th July	School closed for INSET day
Wednesday 24 th July	Certificate Assembly (1:20pm) End of term (2.00pm)

Dates for 2019/2020

Please note that these are Hertfordshire term dates. The school's five Inset Days and one Occasional Day have not yet been added.

Start of term: 2 September 2019
Half term holiday: 28 October 2019 - 1 November 2019
Christmas holiday: 23 December 2019 - 3 January 2020
Half term holiday: 17 February 2020 - 21 February 2020
Easter holiday: 6 April 2020 - 17 April 2020
Half term holiday: 25 May 2020 - 29 May 2020
Summer holiday: 22 July 2020 - 2 September 2020

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