

Hertfordshire County Council

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Dear Parents and Carers,

### Visiting Author

On Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> May, we have an author – Neil Griffiths - visiting school firstly to work with the children and then he will be holding a parents forum at 2.00 p.m.

It would be lovely to see as many of you as possible at 2.00 p.m. – why not come along a bit earlier before you collect your children.

There will also be a selection of his books for sale at £6.99 each, which he will be signing.

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We have received the sad news that one of our former parents has sadly passed away.

Mrs Allison Goodwin was a member of the school community for 7 years and was an active member of the PTA. Her funeral is on the 23<sup>rd</sup> May and we thought it would be

appropriate to have a collection. The family have asked for donations to be given to The Garden House Hospice. If you would like to make a donation please call into the School Office.

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I would just like to share with you how well our Year 6 children have done this week coping with their SAT's. They have started their day in school with a breakfast and then got on with the tests in an exemplary manner.

Well done Year 6 – you have made us all very proud.



On Thursday last week we had four children from our Reception class in the office, who had said they would like to be Head Teacher for the day!



Lola, Scarlett, Chayse and Chloe helped Miss Shuttleworth with some very important tasks, answering the phone, photocopying and shredding. They gave messages to Mrs Hoare and Mrs Larner to put in the diary and we all even had time for a drink and biscuit! They were all given a special pen as a memento of their time being Head for the day.

In today's assembly the children were given a photo diary to keep.



### Walk to School Week

We are excited to be taking part in Walk to School Week between 15<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> May.

We would like to encourage all our pupils to try and walk, cycle or scoot to school during this week. If it's not possible to walk all the way then it would be great if you could park a little away from school and walk in.

Each class will have a poster up in their classroom and every time a pupil travels sustainably a sticker goes on the poster. There will be a number of activities taking place throughout the week to encourage

children to be more active and support them in walking to school.



### Star Learners

This week's Star Learners are:-

Reception - Mercy Adesina

Year 1 - Thomas Hatcher

Year 2 - Noah Evison

Year 3 - Sam Virtue

Year 4 - Deavion Selby-Straker

Year 5 - Heather Saunderson

Year 6 - Whole Class

### Sports Star of the Week

Our Sports Star this week is Lois Fraser, Year 6. Lois was awarded the trophy for her excellent behaviour, as always, and helping out her team mates. Well done Lois!



## Mathletics

Mizan Rahman, Year 4, is our Mathletics winner this week.

Mizan has been awarded the trophy for consistently going on Mathletics every week. Well done Mizan!



## Attendance Trophy

Year 5 is the winner of the Attendance Trophy this week with 98.93%

## Roller Disco

On Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> May, we will be holding a Roller Disco. The event will be for Years 1 to 6 and will be held after school.

The cost of this event is £10 per child. This includes an hour's roller disco followed by a hot-dog, cake and drink. Roller skates, knee and elbow pads will be provided.

Years 1, 2 and 3 will be from 3.45 and 5.30 p.m., and Years 4, 5 and 6 will be from 5.00 - 6.45 p.m.

If you have not yet booked your place please call in at the office to collect a form. The deadline for reserving your place is Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> May.



## Family Music Workshop

MusicNet East & Hertfordshire Music Service is running a Family Music Workshop on Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> May and Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> June, between 10.30 a.m. and 12.30 p.m., at the Community Arts Centre, Roaring Meg Retail Park. The cost is £10.00 for a family booking or £5.00 for individuals. Pre-booking with payment is essential so if you are interested please call 844518 or email [stevenagemusicenquiries@hertfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:stevenagemusicenquiries@hertfordshire.gov.uk)

## Dates for your Diary

15<sup>th</sup> May - KS1 SAT's week

17<sup>th</sup> May - Neil Griffiths - Children's Author & Inspirational Speaker

25<sup>th</sup> May - Roller Disco (Years 1-6)

29<sup>th</sup> May to 2nd June - Half Term

5<sup>th</sup> June - Children back to school

9<sup>th</sup> June - Film showing 'Sing' - KS1 & KS2  
 12<sup>th</sup> June - Phonics check week  
 16<sup>th</sup> June - Father's Day Sale  
 19<sup>th</sup> June - New to Reception meetings - 9.00 a.m. and 6.00 p.m.  
 W/C 19<sup>th</sup> June - SEN Reviews  
 23<sup>rd</sup> June - Bingo Night - 5.30-7.30 p.m.  
 26<sup>th</sup> June - New to Nursery meetings - 9.00 a.m. and 6.00 p.m.  
 27<sup>th</sup> June - Reception taster lunch  
 28<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> June - Years 5 & 6 PGL  
 4<sup>th</sup> July - KS2 play to school  
 5<sup>th</sup> July - KS2 play - matinee 1.30 p.m.  
 7<sup>th</sup> July - Sports Day and picnic  
 7<sup>th</sup> July - Reports out  
 10<sup>th</sup> July - Year 4 & Amey, Y6 - Violin assembly  
 13<sup>th</sup> July - Transition Day/meet the new teacher  
 14<sup>th</sup> July - Last achievement assembly  
 15<sup>th</sup> - School Fair (11.00 am - 2.00 pm)  
 20<sup>th</sup> July - Leavers Assembly  
 20<sup>th</sup> July - Term ends 2.00 p.m.  
 21<sup>st</sup> July - Inset Day  
 24<sup>th</sup> July - Occasional Day

## Diary Dates 2017/2018

### Autumn Term:

30<sup>th</sup> August - Occasional Day  
 31<sup>st</sup> August - Occasional Day  
 1<sup>st</sup> September - Inset Day  
 4<sup>th</sup> September - Children return to school  
 20<sup>th</sup> October - Term ends  
 23<sup>rd</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> October - Half Term  
 30<sup>th</sup> October - Children back to school  
 18<sup>th</sup> December - Term Ends  
 19<sup>th</sup> December - Inset Day

### Spring Term:

3<sup>rd</sup> January - Term starts  
 9<sup>th</sup> February - Term ends  
 12<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> February - Half term  
 19<sup>th</sup> February - Children back to school  
 28<sup>th</sup> March - Term ends  
 29<sup>th</sup> March - Inset Day

### Summer Term:

16<sup>th</sup> April - Term starts  
 25<sup>th</sup> May - Inset Day (Term ends)  
 28<sup>th</sup> May - 1<sup>st</sup> June - Half term

*4<sup>th</sup> June - Children back to school*

*20<sup>th</sup> July - Term ends*

*23<sup>rd</sup> July - Inset Day*

*24<sup>th</sup> July - Occasional Day*

*27<sup>th</sup> July - Occasional Day*

*Louise Shuttleworth  
Headteacher*