Thursday 2nd February, 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

It is so lovely to be back in school and spending time with your wonderful children. The children have made an excellent start to the new term and I am very impressed with how hard they are all working in class. As you will see from the dates list below, we have another busy term ahead and lots of exciting learning opportunities planned for the children.

Mrs Kennedy is hoping to return to work soon, but in the meantime I would like to welcome Miss Suddick who is covering in Year 4. She has got to know the children and the school very well and is doing an excellent job of upholding our very high standards ensuring that the children are provided with high quality teaching.

We want the best for all of our children and staff work exceptionally hard to support them with their learning. We are always happy to listen, so if you ever have any concerns or suggestions please make an appointment to speak to me and I will always do my best to help and support.

I appreciate that as busy parents it will be helpful for you to have advance notice of events happening in school. I have provided a copy of some of the key events taking place this term for your diaries.

Dates for your diary

(Please note that these dates are provisional and are subject to change. We will endeavour to inform you of any changes that may occur as early as possible.)

| February | | | |
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| Date | Year Group(s) | Event | |
| Monday 6th February | Year 6 | National Child Measurement Programme - NHS - (Heights & Weights) | |
| Tuesday 7th February 9.00am - 3.00pm | Year 3 | Visit to Open Zone at The Word - Computing unit - Events and actions in programs workshop | |
| Tuesday 7th February 9.00am | Year 2 | Class liturgy - Books | |
| Thursday 9th February 9.15am | KS2 | Mental Health Awareness Assembly - Let's Connect | |
| Monday 13th February - Friday 17th February | Year 6 | Year 6 mock SATs | |
| Thursday 16th February | Year 3 | Class Liturgy - Journeys | |

| 9.00am | | |
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| Monday 20th February - Friday 24th | Whole School | Half Term |
| Monday 27th February | Year 3 | Ancient Egypt workshop in school |
| Tuesday 28th February | _ | Potential disruption due to official national strike action. |
| | | Updates will be given when available |
| Tuesday 28th February 9.00am - 3.00pm TBC | Year 2 TBC | Visit to Open Zone at The Word - Computing unit - Programming quizzes workshop - TBC |
| | March | |
| Date | Year Group(s) | Event |
| Wednesday 1st March | Year 2 | Arithmetic Challenge |
| Monday 6th March - Friday 10th March | Years 1 - 5 | TEST WEEK |
| Wednesday 8th March | Reception | Visit to the Discovery Museum |
| Thursday 9th March 9.00am | Year 1 | Class Liturgy - Eucharist |
| Thursday 9th March 9.00am - 11.30am | Nursery | Multi Sport Festival - Temple Park |
| Thursday 9th March | Year 4 / 5 Children involved TBC | District basketball - Vertu motors arena |
| Tuesday 14th March | Year 5 | Visit to the Open Zone at The Word - Selection in physical computing workshop |
| Wednesday 15th March | - | Potential disruption due to official national strike action. |
| | | Updates will be given when available |
| Thursday 16th March | - | Potential disruption due to official national strike action. |
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| Friday 17th March 9.20am - 3.00pm | Year 2 | All Stars Cricket Festival |
| Monday 20th March 9.00am - 12.00pm | Juniors Children involved TBC | KS2 Music Festival rehearsal at the Curstoms House |
| Monday 20th March Time TBC | Juniors Children involved TBC | KS2 Music Festival at the Customs House |
| Wednesday 22nd March 9.00am - 12.00pm | Infants Children involved TBC | KS1 Music Festival rehearsal at the Customs House |
| Wednesday 22nd March Time TBC | Infants Children involved TBC | KS1 Music Festival rehearsal at the Customs House |
| Friday 24th March 9.00am - 12.00pm | Year 3 / 4 (30 children TBC) | Quicksticks Hockey Festival (30 children TBC) |
| Tuesday 28th March 9.15am - 12.00pm | Reception | Gymnastics Festival - The Urban Factory |
| Tuesday 28th March 1.00pm - 5.30pm | Reception - Year 6 | Parents' Evening |
| Wednesday 29th March 1.00pm - 5.30pm | Reception - Year 6 | Parents' Evening |
| Thursday 30th March 9.00am | Reception | Class Liturgy - Easter |
| Thursday 30th March | Year 1 | Visit to the Open Zone at The Word - programming animations |
| Friday 31st March | Whole School | Break up for Easter holidays |

I look forward to continuing working in close partnership with you all this term to ensure that together we continue to ensure that getting better never stops for our children.

Yours sincerely

Carol Devine Headteacher