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Dear Parents/Carers;

2024 Easter Bonnet Parade



This term seems to have flown by and it's nearly time again to start making our Easter Bonnets! Weather permitting, this year's Easter Bonnet parade will be held on the last day of term, Thursday 28th March. It's a day that we all look forward to and our children get to show off their beautiful Easter Bonnets to the local community.



We hope that you will support celebrating this traditional Christian Festival by helping your child decorate their own Easter Bonnet at home. However, don't worry if you can't, as children will also be making their own bonnets in class.



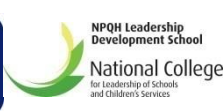
On the day, we'll leave School at 9:15 to walk around the shops, parading our beautiful Easter Bonnets. Please join us on route or cheer us on outside as we parade by!

Attendance

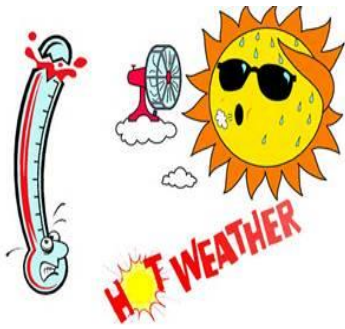
Please remember that children must attend school each and every day until the last day of term. **The last day of term is on Thursday 28th March and we will be finishing at 3:15pm, as normal. We re-open on Tuesday 16th April for all classes.** We ask you to hear your child read their reading book and practise their phonics/tricky words as often as possible during the holiday. All children will have extra homework to complete which they'll take home on the last day of term.



Remember: If you do have plans to go on holiday or abroad, you must do so during School Closure; remember, you will receive a fine per parent and per child and you will risk losing your School Place, if you take unauthorised leave during Term Time.



We're a PAPERLESS School – so you must download & register your ParentMail App to receive e-newsletters, to book after-school clubs & Parents' meetings or to confirm consent for educational visits.



The warmer weather is coming!

Although it's only just turned Spring, the weather will soon start to get warmer. Children are really active at school. Wearing too many layers will over-heat them and increases the chances of items of clothing getting lost.

Please take time over the Easter break to make sure that your children's names are written in all items of their clothing. Lost property can be located in our main school hall, accessible via the school office.



PE Kits Should be in School

All children undertake up to 2 hours of high-quality PE in school each week. Throughout the year, they are taught PE in two weekly lessons – developing vital Gymnastics, Games, Dance and (in Year 2) Swimming skills. Children require a PE kit and this needs to be in school all week. **Please make sure you provide your child with a PE kit and a suitable PE bag.**

And there's more coming up after the break...

We've got lots of exciting events coming up after the Easter Break...

Special Eid-Al-Fitr Golden Time – Friday 19th April

On Friday 19th April we'll be holding the first of our two annual Eid celebrations. In order to commemorate the end of Ramadan, parents are invited into school from 2pm on this day to have a special Golden Time tea party. We would be grateful if you could bring some Eid / party foods with you for the children to share during this event. We will have party games in class and children are invited to wear their party clothes / Eid party clothes on this day.



St Georges Day – Tuesday 23rd April

We'll be celebrating St Georges Day on 23rd April. We'll be having a special St. Georges Day assembly teaching children all about the story of St. George and the Dragon...children are also invited to wear Red and White to school on this special day.

Maypole Dancing – Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd May

All children will take part in special Maypole dancing workshops on the 2nd and 3rd of May in our annual May Day celebrations. These workshops are always a huge success and it's a wonderful way for children to learn this ancient tradition.

Parents will be invited into school on the afternoon of Friday 3rd May in order to watch their children perform in our annual Maypole Show. Keep an eye out for our letter regarding this event which will come out closer to the time.



Sports Together

After the break we are once again going to be hosting our extremely popular 'Sports Together' mornings for all of our classes. Each class will have their own morning and it will be a lovely opportunity for you to come into school, help the children in your child's class and join us in the sports activities!

You and your family are welcome to come in and join us on these mornings, so please have a look at the schedule below and make a note in your diary of when your child's morning is going to be.



Sports Together 2024	
Thursday 18 th April	Tigers
Friday 19 th April	Giraffes
Thursday 25 th April	Gorillas
Friday 26 th April	Zebras
Thursday 9 th May	Hippos
Friday 10 th May	Lions
Thursday 16 th May	Pandas
Friday 17 th May	Koalas
Thursday 23 rd May	Snakes
Friday 24 th May	Foxes
Thursday 6 th June	Squirrels
Friday 7 th June	Owls
Thursday 13 th June	Nursery – AM and PM
Friday 14 th June	Bumble Bees



In fact there's lots to look forward to next term. There are exciting school visits coming up for children in all year groups and we'll be holding our own **Pupil-Headteacher elections** – candidates will write manifestos and the winning party will be in charge for a day. We'll be running important meetings about **Assessments** and **Phonics** and it won't be long before it's time for **Sports Week**, the **Dance-a-thon** and the **2024 Summer Fayre**!

We have a busy, fun filled few weeks left before the Easter holidays and all of my staff will be working hard to make sure that our children continue to learn lots and enjoy the last few weeks of this term. As usual, we are always here to help and so, if you have any questions or worries at all, please just pop in. We're always happy to help.

got a question?
askus!

Yours sincerely,

Paul Jordan
Headteacher