

Summer Term 1, 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Y6 SATS tests

The Year 6 SATs will start on Monday, May 14th. Can you please make sure that your children are well rested over the weekend and come in to school ready to learn. They need to have had a good breakfast and be in school on time as the tests take place throughout the day. The children have worked tremendously hard over the whole year and it is an opportunity for them to show what they can achieve.

Y2 SATs

The 'tests' for this year group are actually very low key and a supportive measure for our own assessment of the pupils. We have always taken a relaxed approach to the tests and have made them a positive experience for the children, you would be amazed at how many enjoy the structure and the approach taken by us. These will take place throughout May, at a time when best suits the children and the school. In fact they've already started and we think they've probably been telling you all about their new work!

Parent Surveys

We have shared the outcomes from the Parent Surveys with the Governors this week. It is brilliant to hear so many positive comments and opinions about the school and the teaching we do. It means a lot to us that you recognise the dedication of our staff. We also know that there are always things we can do better. One of the areas that came out was around not knowing who our Governors are. We have now activated a page on the website here:

<http://www.pilsleyprimary.co.uk/parents/meet-our-school-governors>

Where they have written a little about themselves and why they are Governors of our school. Hopefully, this web page will have all the Governors on before the end of the school year.

Another area from the survey that stood out was about the condition of the school decoration. Governors have asked me to write to say that we have had to hold off on any decoration plans as the school is due a complete Electrical Refit. This refit will replace all wiring, relay boxes and fuse boxes all around the main school building. This will damage the decoration around school and it seems pointless to waste money on decoration if in the end it will all need redoing. Though it is frustrating to have to wait with school budgets so tight we have to be careful.

Dates and School Events

18 th May	School Lunch Theme Day – Wedding Celebration
23 rd May	Nursery (F1) & Reception (F2) visit to the Butterfly House
25 th May	Last day of term
4 th June	Pupils return to school
6 th June	September Reception New Starter Meeting 8.50am
7 th June	School Lunch Theme Day – Well Dressing
13 th June	Yr 6 school trip to Chatsworth

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20 th June	Yr 4 Halle Orchestra
21 st June	Y1 school trip to Hardwick
22 nd June	Sports Day
25 th & 26 th June	Tibshelf Transition Days
29 th June	Inset Day
2 nd July	Inset Day
6 th July	Year 1 & 2 School trip to Lea Green (Y2 pupils stay over to Sat 7 th July)
9 th July	Yr 6 visit to West Nottinghamshire College
11 th -13 th July	Yr 6 Dukes Barn Residential
17 th July	Golden Day – Junk Orchestra
19 th July	Hardwick Run
20 th July	Last day of term