

Dear Parents,

We are looking forward to giving your children a fabulous, memorable final term at the Raleigh. Whilst we have SATs in our sights and the children continue to work extremely hard, there are many things to look forward to this term.

We are very excited to have introduced a new history topic this term— 'Britain since WWII' - with topics such as the NHS, the Cold War, music since the 1950's and changes in technology. Flour Babies week is a fun, cross-curricular project that combines looking after a flour baby with RSE (Relationships and Sex Education); it will be in the week before half term (22nd May). Our PGL based residential at Barton Hall is going ahead in July. We also have a trip to Guildford as part of the Junior Citizenship programme. We are thrilled to be working with the Guildford Shakespeare Company again, in collaboration with West Horsley Place, who will be providing a week of drama workshops, culminating in a Tudor Promenade at West Horsley Place. Parents are invited to attend the promenade at WHP and enjoy a picnic in the grounds on Friday 14th July.

We will be saying goodbye to our Special Friends in the last week of term when we have a Teddy Bears' picnic— we will play games, have a picnic and sing farewell songs; we are pleased to invite parents to come into school at 2:45pm on 18th July to watch. Your children will be presented with their Leaver's Bag at this event. Although the Year 6 children will have made a pop-up book for their Special Friends, we know they may also want to buy them a present. We will remind you nearer the time but would ask that any present bought for your child's Special Friend costs a maximum of £10! SATs week begins on Tuesday 9th May and, to ensure your children have every opportunity to succeed, we ask that you keep them well rested and make sure they are punctual every day that week.

Thank you for all your support this year!

The Year 6 team.

Homework

Monday—Maths homework set (due in on Wednesday)

Friday—Spelling homework set (due in the following Monday) - this will cease after SATs.

Thursday— English or topic homework set (due in on Monday).

The children should be aiming to spend 40 minutes on both their maths and topic homework, each week. For children in the Extended Learning group, homework will be set according to individual needs.

Please encourage your child to complete their homework diary each week.

Please do remember to inform us about any changes in personal circumstances. Also, please ask for a phone permit for exceptional circumstances only - generally walking home alone would not meet this. We would remind you that hair must not be shorter than a barber's number 4 and should not include a 'skin-fade' or equivalent. Many thanks.

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What are we doing this term?

English

Diaries

Informal letter
Newspaper articles
Instructions
Balanced argument
Narrative

Maths

Reasoning

Circles
Angles
Fractions, decimals and percentages
Mean
Statistics
Converting units of measure
Applying maths to practical situations

Science

Human Circulatory System

PSHE

Relationship & Sex Education

RE

Hinduism

How churches help us understand
Christian beliefs

Dates for your diary

5th May

Coronation Celebrations

w/c Tuesday 9th May
SATs

22nd May

Junior Citizens trip

w/c 22nd May
Flour Babies week

w/c 29th May
Half term

w/c 3rd July
Barton Hall

w/c 12th June
French week

14th June

Strawberry Cream Tea

28th June

Howard of Effingham transition day

30th June

Sports Day

w/c 10th July

WHP and GSC workshops

14th July

Year 6 Show
(Tudor Promenade)

18th July

Teddy Bear's picnic with our
Special Friends
Leavers gifts and songs

20th July

End of term 1:30pm

Equipment

Please ensure your child is appropriately equipped for the school day. A black handwriting pen and a pencil are essential and these should be named. Children also need a glue stick, packet of tissues and hand sanitiser.

Children must have their homework diary in school every day. These are checked at the start of the week.

Please ensure that they have been signed.