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HAPPY EASTER

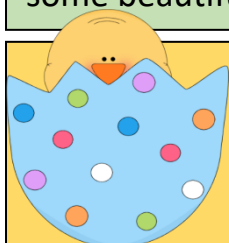
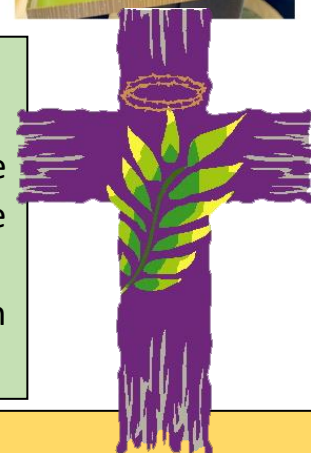
The children in Young Worship made these beautiful Easter Gardens to decorate the Church for our Easter Service this morning.



Easter service

This morning the whole school went to church for our Easter Service. The children did brilliantly with their hymn singing, reading and acting of the Easter Story.

A special well done to the Young Worship group who led the service with some beautiful poetry and prayers. Keep a look out for some photographs!



**On Sale after school at 2pm on Friday:
Easter Craft packs, at the front of school**

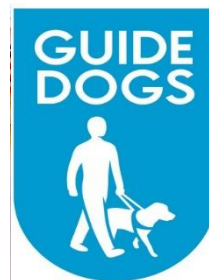
Please ensure that all dinner money accounts are cleared by TOMORROW. Thank you!

If there is significant outstanding dinner money debt, children will unfortunately not be able to have school dinners and will need to bring a packed lunch from home.



A big thank you to the PTA for the brilliant Easter Craft afternoon which took place on Monday. The children had a fantastic time making Easter baskets, chicks, bunnies, cards, decorated eggs & more.

Emily's Cake Sale raised a fantastic £101 for Guide Dogs. Well done everyone and thank you to everyone who came along to support her on Tuesday.



IMPORTANT NOTICE: YEAR 6 LEAVERS HOODIES

As it is coming up to SATS many parents still haven't ordered their child's 2023 Leavers Hoodie. If you want to order one, then go to:

<https://beatschooluniforms.co.uk>

The deadline is the **5th April** so if one hasn't been ordered by then, then your child will not be able to have a hoodie for PGL and coming events. The hoodies will be delivered to the school and then after SATs they will be given out to the children.



IN QUEEN'S PARK

Queen's Park in Bedford is rich in both culture and religion, with Christians, Muslims, Sikhs (and others of all faiths and none) living together in harmony. The three main faith communities have places of worship within three hundred metres of each other, and the 'Faith Tour' gives children the opportunity to visit and learn through first-hand experience. On Wednesday, children in Years 3-6 travelled to Bedford to take part in the Faith Tour. They had a wonderful day, listening carefully, asking brilliant questions and being impeccably behaved throughout. In the summer term, the children learn about a range of faiths and worldviews in RE, so this trip will help them so much with those topics.

Thank you to all the adults who accompanied the children, but especially to Mrs McCabe for organising the day.

To find out more, visit <https://faithinquenspark.org.uk/faith-tours/>





Thank you!

Thank you for all your fantastic book donations for the 'Just be a Child' appeal. They are currently getting ready to be shipped to Kenya, and we have been sent this wonderful photo to show you one of the libraries in Kenya where they will end up.

This week's article from our Pupil Journalists, Annie & Lily

In class 6, we have been making our own cam mechanisms in DT. We have learnt the different movements and parts of a cam mechanism. Using wood and card, we made a strong box which we would have our cam and dowels in; they would make an endangered animal of our choice, move up and down or turn.

The project took over an hour to construct, but when we were finished, the results of our work were shown through the moving mechanisms. The toy had to have at-least one active part, and show the natural way in which the animal was moving.

The point of this lesson was to show people how different species of animals can act and move without harming them so we can protect our natural environment. If more people were to use this method of crafting, less animals would be endangered, and more children would be able to get a good understanding of our natural wildlife.

SUMMER SCHOOL UNIFORM AFTER EASTER

After the Easter holidays we change to summer uniform:

white and blue **checked** dress (pale blue, not navy) *culottes style permitted, but not short 'hot-pants'*

white socks

sun hat/cap

OR

grey shorts

white shirt

school tie

navy V-neck jumper, **not** sweatshirts

grey socks

sun hat/cap



Closed toe sandals are permitted in summer.

School fleeces revert to being outdoor wear only after Easter

During the summer months, we may have additional PE sessions as we prepare for sports day so it is important that your child has PE kit in school every day. **Summer PE kit is shorts/t-shirts, not long trousers/joggers.**

Y1, Y2, Y4 & Y6 parents: SATS and other assessments next term

Important dates:

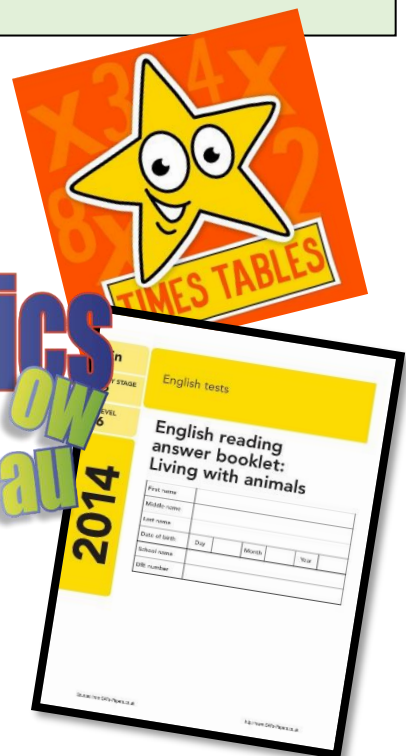
Y1 phonics screening check: w/c 5th June

Y2 Assessments: during the month of May

Y4 Multiplication Check: during the two weeks from 5th June

Y6 SATs: Tuesday 9th – Friday 12th May

Phonics
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A reminder that tomorrow we
finish at the earlier time of
2pm. The summer term begins
on Monday 17th April.





Pencil cases

At the end of term, children will bring home all their belongings, including their pencil cases. Please could you take a moment to check your child's pencil case and replenish any missing items. Lots of children have got tiny stubby pencils and empty glue sticks after all their hard work!

Lost Property

We have a huge box of lost property in the main entrance. It has been sorted through, and everything with names in has been returned to the rightful owner. However, all the remaining items are unnamed and so cannot be reunited.

When you are sorting your child's uniform for the summer term, please can you **ensure that all items are named clearly**; this includes trainers, plimsolls, water bottles, pencil cases etc. This saves us in school a lot of time, and you as parents a lot of money! Many thanks for your help with this.

Bag2School collection

Thursday 20th April



Collection bags are coming home today, but do remember that you can also use bin bags if you have more to donate. We get paid by the weight, so the more we collect, the more we raise!

We accept the following 'good quality' items for RE-USE:

- Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing
- Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)
- Handbags
- Hats
- Bags
- Scarves and ties
- Jewellery
- Lingerie
- Socks
- Belts
- Soft toys
- Household linen
- Household curtains
- Household towels
- Household bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)

Items that are NOT accepted:

Duvets and blankets
Pillows and cushions
Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats)
Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing
School uniforms with and without logo
Corporate clothing and workwear
Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material

Leave your bags on the village green by 9am on the morning of Thursday 20th April

St Ippolyts School PTA presents



BREAK THE RULES DAY!

FRIDAY 21ST APRIL

Do you dare to break the rules?!

**Break as many of the rules below as you like for a
(suggested) donation of 50p per rule!**

**Have squash in your water bottle!
Bring an unhealthy (nut free) snack!
Don't follow the uniform rules!**

**Have crazy hair!
Wear nail varnish!
Wear make-up!
Have temporary tattoos!
Wear jewellery!
Trade cards at break time!
Bring in a cuddly toy!**

**Donations can be made in advance online at
<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/stipps/> or in cash on the day.**



Please email any questions to
pta@stipps.herts.sch.uk



QUIZ



AND CURRY NIGHT

BOOKINGS NOW OPEN

FRIDAY 12TH MAY

AT THE BIRD IN HAND, GOSMORE

£15 – INCLUDES QUIZ ENTRY AND A CURRY

www.pta-events.co.uk/stipps

Class 2 Cake Day

Friday 28th April

Dear Class 2 parents,

The PTA are holding a cake sale on 28th April to raise funds for school. This time it is the turn of Class 2 to each supply small cakes or biscuits to sell on the day. Please make sure that any tins, plates or containers are clearly named.

We would be very grateful if you could **donate 15 cakes for cake day**, to ensure that we have enough to go around & the children are not left disappointed. These cakes /biscuits can be either homemade or bought. You may want to plan some kitchen time to make or decorate the cakes with your child! **PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL CAKES MUST BE NUT-FREE.**

The cakes will be sold during the morning break to the whole of the school, any remaining cakes will be sold outside school at home time. We hope that you will be able to support us with this event, and we thank you in anticipation.

Thank you from The PTA



SUMMER

Please note that some dates are yet to be confirmed - please keep an eye on the newsletters for details of more class trips and sports events

Date	Event	Additional Information
APRIL		
17 th	Term begins 8.45am	
18 th	Class 2 Trip	
20 th	BAGS 2 SCHOOL	Bags on the village green by 9am
21 st	PTA 'Break the rules' day	
28 th	Class 2 Cake Day	
30 th	Royal Albert Hall Gala	Choir trip
MAY		
1 st	BANK HOLIDAY	School closed
4 th	Class 2 Assembly	9.15am
5 th	Coronation Celebration	Details to come
8 th	CORONATION BANK HOLIDAY	School closed
9-12 th	Y6 SATs WEEK	SATs breakfast for Y6 in hall Tuesday - Friday
12 th	PTA Quiz and Curry Night	At The Bird in Hand, Gosmore
16 th	Class 6 trip	Details to follow
17 th	SPORTS DAY pm	At the school field Please note that this is a date change
19 th	Reserve sports day	Date will be used if the weather is poor on the 17 th
22 nd	Class photos	
23 rd	PGL meeting for parents	6pm in the hall
26 th	Class 3 Assembly	9.15am
26 th	Finish for half term 3.15pm	
JUNE		
5 th	Back to school	Assessment week for Y1,3,4,5 Phonics check Y1, Multiplication check Y4
9 th	PGL Bawdsey Manor	Coach departs around 10am
12 th	PGL trip returns 5pm ish	
13 th	Y5/6 & PGL staff not in	
16 th	Class 1 Assembly	Parents at 9.15am
22 nd	PGL Assembly	Parents at 9.15am
23 rd	Class 1 Cake Day	
30 th	PTA Disco	5.30-7pm
JULY		
4 th	Class 3 trip	Details to follow
6 th	New parents evening	6pm
7 th	PTA Summer Fair	3.30-5pm

10th	KS2 Production	matinee
11th	KS2 Production	matinee
12th	KS2 Production	evening
13th	TRANSITION DAY	Y6 to secondary schools, new Reception intake visit
17th	Y6 Leavers Service 2.15pm	
17th	End of year family picnic	After school at the field, details to come
18th	END OF TERM 2pm	
19th & 20th	INSET Days	No school for children
21st	Occasional day	School closed

Term dates: 2023 – 2024

AUTUMN TERM 2023	
1st September	<i>INSET Day, no school for children</i>
4 th September	Autumn term begins for children
23 rd – 27 th October	Half term week
19 th December	END OF TERM 2pm
20th December	<i>INSET Day, no school for children</i>
SPRING TERM 2024	
4 th January	Spring term begins for children
19 th – 23 rd February	Half term week
28 th March	END OF TERM 2pm
SUMMER TERM 2024	
15th April	<i>INSET Day, no school for children</i>
16 th April	Summer term begins for children
27 th - 31 st May	Half term week
18 th July	END OF TERM 2pm
19th July	<i>INSET Day, no school for children</i>
22nd July	<i>INSET Day, no school for children</i>
23rd July	<i>Occasional Day. School closed to staff & children</i>

