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BREAK THE RULES DAY!

Everyone had a lot of fun breaking the rules for the PTA fundraiser last week.

Nail varnish, tattoos, glittery hair, toys from home and some very interesting uniform choices were among the rules broken by our little rebels!

They raised a wonderful total of £327 in 'fines' for their rule breaking.

Thank you to everyone who supported the fun day.



Thank you so much to everyone who sent messages of support for our Ofsted inspection earlier this week, and for taking the time to fill in the Parent View Questionnaire. The inspection team spent time in lessons, out on the playground, looking at children's books, talking to children and staff and reviewing the school's policies & procedures. The outcome of the inspection is confidential until the report is published, which will be in around four weeks.



SPORTS DAY 2023!



This year's Sports Day is scheduled to take place on **Wednesday 17th May at 12.30pm** (weather permitting). In the event of Sports Day being rained off we have a reserve date booked in for Friday 19th May. We will text parents if sports day needs to be postponed; if you do not hear from us, it is safe to assume that it is going ahead.

Children are asked to wear a plain coloured T shirt in their house colour along with their usual PE shorts, sun hat/cap & well-fitting trainers/plimsolls. They will also need a bottle of water.

Colours: Seacole-Red, Faraday-Yellow, Bronte-Blue, Morris-Green

Do check with your child's teacher if they can't remember which team they are in. Plain T shirts are preferable please; if you already have one in the right colour that is patterned or has logos, it could be worn inside out on the plain side.

Closer to the time there will be an information sheet / programme coming home about how the sports day will run and some requests for spectators. We aim to finish by 3.15pm, but please be aware that we sometimes overrun (no pun intended!)

PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS FOLLOWING SPORTS DAY.

Save The Date!



We will be holding an information evening for Y5 & 6 parents about our upcoming trip to

PGL Bawdsey Manor on Tuesday 23rd May at 6pm in the school hall.

We will be giving you lots of important information about timings, kit lists, medical information, activities, accommodation and so on. Even if you have had a child go on school journey before, it is really worth coming along so that you know exactly what will be happening and how you can prepare. You will also receive a pack of paperwork that needs completing and returning to school before half term. **Please note that this meeting is for parents only.** Children will be having their own preparation sessions in school time.

Class 2 Assembly Thursday 4th May 9.15am

Class 2 parents are warmly invited to come and watch the Class 2 assembly on Thursday 4th May. The assembly will start at 9.15am in the hall.

If you have babies or pre-schoolers, they are very welcome to attend, all we ask is that you take them out if they are unsettled or making noise. **Please also note that we do not permit photographs or videos at class assemblies.**



Good luck Choir!

Our school choir are performing at the Royal Albert Hall on Sunday as part of the Hertfordshire Schools Gala. They have worked really hard to learn some complex songs and I know it will be an incredible experience for them all (and their parents in the audience!)

Summer term after school clubs

Clubs will start next week. The slips will come home tomorrow (I am a bit behind schedule this week!) As most of the clubs are outdoors, please ensure your child always has summer PE kit, a sun hat and water bottle with them. Advance notice that there will be no KS2 Rounders or Netball club in the week commencing 12th June as the staff will be on the residential school journey.



Sports

Last week two teams of Y4/5 footballers went to a tournament at Giles Junior; they had a brilliant afternoon and had lots of fun. We had to rearrange some of this week's events due to the inspection, but still managed to compete in the KS1 Rapid Fire Cricket tournament and the Y5/6 Hockey competition. The hockey players came in first place and now proceed to the county finals. Well done everyone!



A reminder that our Coronation picnic takes place next week on Friday 5th May. Children can wear red, white and blue clothes that day.



BOOKINGS STILL 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 -
tomorrow**

**Cakes 25p on sale at
breaktime and after school**

Upcoming Bank Holidays

A reminder that school is closed on Monday 1st May for the May Day Bank Holiday and again on Monday 8th May for the Coronation.



Funded mental health workshops, advice and support for Parents and Carers in Hertfordshire



Nessie is funded by Hertfordshire County Council to support parents/carers of children and young people with emotional and mental health issues. The aim of this work is to help parents/carers develop a positive and more confident approach to supporting their young person, whilst offering a chance to gain peer support; useful strategies and practical tools.

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- **Private moderated Facebook support groups:**
- **NESSie Parent/Carer Support Group**
- **1-1 support and advice sessions**
- **Peer support groups:** A confidential group, where parents will have an opportunity to share their experiences, support each other through challenges, and identify coping strategies.

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