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## Tilston Parochial CE Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers

We are approaching a very busy time in the school year and I will include a few reminders and information about forthcoming events. I appreciate that there is a lot to remember with fundraisers, parents' evenings, sports day and visits so I hope the following list will be useful to you:

20 <sup>th</sup> June	Sportathon Fundraiser (parents may come along from 3.00 pm)
23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Y6 Languages Day at Bishop Heber High School
24 <sup>th</sup> June	Helpers' Tea: 2.15 pm
25 <sup>th</sup> June	Church Garden Fete (school choir attending): 2.00 pm
28 <sup>th</sup> June	Y5/6 Fiver Challenge Trade Stands (after school)
29 <sup>th</sup> June	Y1/2 Visit to Beeston Castle
30 <sup>th</sup> June	EYFS Visit to Reaseheath College
1 <sup>st</sup> July	Wear <b>Blue</b> for Aash Day
4 <sup>th</sup> July	Non Uniform Day; bring in a bottle for the TSA's Summer Fair Transition Meeting for current Reception parents: 2.45 pm
5 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Leavers' Service at Chester Cathedral
6 <sup>th</sup> July	'Hoodwinked' KS2 Production: 2.00 pm & 6.30pm
8 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day and TSA Summer Fair: 1.30 pm
11 <sup>th</sup> July	New Intake Evening (Reception 2016): 6.30 pm (Y5 pupils needed, please)
13 <sup>th</sup> July	Parents' Evening (from 2.00 pm) to share annual reports
14 <sup>th</sup> July	Arts Celebration Evening at Bishop Heber High School: 6.00 pm
15 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5 Curriculum Day @ Farndon Primary School 9.30 am – 3.00 pm
18 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Leavers' Service at St Mary's Church: 6.30 pm
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Intake Day at Bishop Heber High School Move Up Day in school
20 <sup>th</sup> July	End of term for pupils
21 <sup>st</sup> July	<b>INSET day 5</b> School closed



### School Uniform Orders

If you need to order any school uniform from Mrs Farmer ready for the new academic year, please could you do this by the end of next week? This will ensure that items of uniform are delivered by the end of term. Thank you.

### Year 3/4 Residential Visit

Our Year 3/4 children returned safely yesterday from Coxwood and I hope they managed to get a good night's sleep when they arrived home. The visit went really well, despite the weather, and I'd like to thank the children for being wonderfully well behaved while they were away. Many thanks to Miss Wright for organising this fantastic adventure for the children, to Mark Harnden for the time and energy he put into the visit and to the members of the staff team who offered help and support (particularly on 'night watch'!) Miss Wright would like to pass on her apologies to parents for not being able to send a text update at the end of the first day of the visit; this was due to the staff not being able to receive a satisfactory mobile signal on the night.

### Sportathon Afternoon: 20<sup>th</sup> June

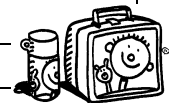


Don't forget...as part of our on-going fundraising efforts, we are holding a Sportathon on **Monday** next week. The children may come dressed as their favourite sports star or in sports kit.

Throughout the afternoon, they will complete a carousel of activities which will include an assault course, football drills, Boxercise and Zumba. Please send your child to school with £1 for healthy refreshments including fruit kebabs, smoothies and water bottles. Teas and coffees will be on sale to adults and you are welcome to come along to see your child (or even join in!) **from 3.00 pm**. Keep working on those sponsor forms; money is due in on 27<sup>th</sup> June. Many thanks in advance to Mrs Clare and Mr Harnden for their help in running the activities.

### LUNCH MENU for week beginning 20<sup>th</sup> June 2016

Monday	Gammon slice with pineapple, potatoes and veg or vegetarian pasta Bolognese
Tuesday	Beef burger in a bun or jacket potato with cheese & beans
Wednesday	Roast dinner
Thursday	Chicken pasta bake or jacket potato with tuna or cheese
Friday	Cheese & tomato omelette or fish and wedges



### Helpers' Tea: 24<sup>th</sup> June at 2.15 pm

Are you one of the school's many dedicated parent volunteers? If so, you should have received your invitation to this year's Helpers' Tea (please let me know if yours hasn't made it to you by now!) We look forward to seeing you at **2.15 pm** on **24<sup>th</sup> June** for a cup of coffee, a cake and some entertainment.



### Non Uniform Day and Bring a Bottle: 4<sup>th</sup> July

The Tilston School Association has requested the usual Non Uniform Day in preparation for the Summer Fair. Your child may come into school in his/her own clothes on **Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> July** in exchange for a donation to the bottle tombola. Many thanks in advance for your support.



## Family Writing Challenge

A team of school governors met this week to judge the entries of our recent writing challenge which involved writing a letter to the Queen. The judges were very impressed with the quality of the writing and they have found it almost impossible to whittle the entries down to a shortlist. They have managed this now and winners in each of the age group categories (plus the overall winner) will be announced next week. Many thanks to the children and families who took the time to complete this year's writing task.

## Wear Blue for Aash Day: 1<sup>st</sup> July



On 1<sup>st</sup> July, schools in the local area are supporting a fundraiser for Aash-Jai Evans who attends Shocklach School. Many of you will know Aash as he used to attend the Bluebell Nursery and we would like you to join families from the local schools by wearing blue on the day. As our school uniform is already blue, perhaps your child would like to wear other items of blue clothing instead of his/her usual polo shirt and jumper. Please feel free to accessorise your child's outfit with anything blue! Further information is attached to this week's newsletter about your £1 donations and the difference the money will make to the life of this lovely boy. Further information can be found at [www.facebook.com/AashJaiQualityofLifeFund](http://www.facebook.com/AashJaiQualityofLifeFund)

## ★ STARS OF THE WEEK ★

YR	<b>Max:</b> for working hard with his drawings
Y1	<b>Erin:</b> for working hard on her story setting description
Y2	<b>Jessica:</b> for working hard in maths and literacy this week <b>Dylan:</b> for working hard with his maths this week
Y3/4	<b>All the House Martins:</b> for working so well as a team (whatever the weather!) and developing their resilience as individuals
Y5	<b>Elliot:</b> for being engaged in his learning
Y6	<b>Jacob:</b> for being engaged in his learning

## Year 5 Curriculum Day: 15<sup>th</sup> July

Bishop Heber High School runs a special day for Year 5 pupils each year to help them meet staff and make new friends with pupils from other schools. This year, our pupils will travel to Farndon Primary School on **15<sup>th</sup> July** and the day will be led by the Art and DT departments. The aims of the day will be to encourage the children to work collaboratively, to generate creative thinking and to promote independent learning. The children are going to look at the concept of recycling and we need them to begin collecting newspapers and empty plastic bottles in preparation for the day. Parents are responsible for taking their children to Farndon and they are expected to arrive between **9.15 and 9.30 am** (they need to be collected at **3.00 pm**). In previous years, parents have shared lifts so if your child is taking part, it may be worth talking to others at this stage.

Yours sincerely

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