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24th April 2024

Dear Parents,

We hope you had an enjoyable and relaxing spring break. It has been lovely hearing all about the children's holidays and experiences, particularly their Easter egg hunts and Eid celebrations. This term we have some wonderful topics and events planned for the children.

Recommended texts

Did you know that on Monday 22nd April it was Earth Day? The children in our school council collectively wrote pledges about how to save our planet. They also came up with activity ideas that they shared with their classes.

If your child would like to read more about the climate change activist Greta Thunberg, here are some recommended texts.



We use these texts during our KS1 assemblies and they always encourage the children to ask inciteful questions about the environment.



Take One Picture Week

The week of 20th May is Take One Picture week in school. This is the National Gallery's programme for primary schools which aims to inspire a lifelong love of art and learning. During the week, the children will take part in activities based around a picture which will be shared with them at the beginning of the week. We will share some photos with you after the event.

Sports Morning – Thursday 23rd May 2024

As previously advised, our Sports Morning will take place from 9.15am on Thursday 23rd May, weather permitting.

The children will be competing in four teams (blue, green, red and yellow) and each team will include children from each year group. You will soon receive a letter, via your child's book bag, indicating what coloured t-shirt or accessory your child will need for the event which will differentiate the teams.

On the day, your child should come to school wearing their PE kit, trainers and coloured t-shirt/accessory. Please also ensure that they have their PE hoodie/sweatshirt/cardigan and a water bottle. If the weather is going to be hot, we also recommend that children wear a sun hat and that sun screen is applied before school.

If the weather is wet, we will need to ensure it is safe to run the event. If this is the case, we will review the situation on Wednesday 22nd or the morning of Thursday 23rd. If we have to postpone sports morning, we will send a text to parents as soon as practicable which will state Sports Morning OFF.

On the morning, parents are invited to stay on the field after drop off to watch the event which will run from **9.15am** until approximately 10.30am. We will leave the gates from Southcote Park unlocked during the event to allow parents to access the school from the park.

Further information about the event will follow.

Class Arrangements for September 2024

As you will be aware, we mix the Year R classes at the end of each Reception year for the transition into Key Stage 1. We will be writing to Year R parents during the second half of the summer term with information about the Year 1 classes for September 2024. The decision about the class each child will be in will be carefully considered by the Reception teachers using their professional judgement of who the children learn and play best alongside. Year 1 children will remain in their current classes for Year 2. There will be opportunities for the children to visit their new classes towards the end of term.

Inset Day Reminder

A reminder that the remaining inset day of the current school year is **Monday 3rd June** when school will be closed for staff training. Please also remember that school will also be closed on **Monday 6th May** which is a bank holiday.

As notified in my previous newsletter, we have set our five inset days for the **2024/25** school year when school will be closed for staff training. The dates are as follows:

Monday 2nd September 2024

Monday 18th November 2024

Friday 4th April 2025

Tuesday 6th May 2025

Monday 30th June 2025

The school term and holiday dates are available on the school website:
<https://priorheathinfant.co.uk/dates/school-term-holiday-dates/>

School term and holiday dates 2025/26

Surrey County Council have published the school term and holiday dates for the 2025/26 school year and these are attached and are also available on the website.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'L. Chivers'.

Mrs L. Chivers
Headteacher

Diary Dates

2023/24 School Year

Monday	6th May 2024	Bank Holiday – school closed.
Monday – Friday	20 th May 2024	Take One Picture week
Thursday	23 rd May 2024	Sports Morning – 9.15 to 10.30am.
Monday – Friday	27th to 31st May 2024	Summer half term.
Monday	3rd June 2024	INSET Day – school closed for staff training.
Saturday	8 th June 2024	PTA Circus event
Tuesday	23 rd July 2024	End of summer term at 2.00pm – please note early closure.

2024/25 School Year

Monday	2nd September 2024	INSET Day – school closed for staff training
Tuesday	3 rd September 2024	Start of autumn term for Year 1 & Year 2 children
Monday – Friday	28th October to 1st November 2024	Autumn half term
Monday	18th November 2024	INSET Day – school closed for staff training
Friday	20 th December 2024	End of autumn term at 2.00pm – please note early closure
Monday	6 th January 2025	Start of spring term
Monday – Friday	17th to 21st February 2025	Spring half term
Thursday	3 rd April 2025	End of spring term at 2.00pm – please note early closure
Friday	4th April 2025	INSET Day – school closed for staff training
Tuesday	22 nd April 2025	Start of summer term
Monday	5th May 2025	Bank Holiday – school closed
Tuesday	6th May 2025	INSET Day – school closed for staff training
Monday – Friday	26th to 30th May 2025	Summer half term
Monday	30th June 2025	INSET Day – school closed for staff training
Tuesday	22 nd July 2025	End of summer term at 2.00pm – please note early closure