King Edwin Primary School

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

We welcome all the children and families back to King Edwin Primary School for the Summer Term. This time of year is always very special for the Year 6 children, as they move through experiencing many different emotions: they have the impending SATs tests to negotiate through; the residential trip to Caythorpe to look forward to; the nerves will be jangling as they all attend their transition events at local secondary schools; and finally, the sadness during the leavers performance as they say goodbye to their many friends and teachers they have been so close to over the last 6 years.

We have so much planned over the next few weeks, and we'd like to keep you all up to date with our intentions. This letter will also be available on the school website under the Year 6 tab for future reference if required.

Important Dates:

Wednesday 27th April - Heart Dissection with Mr Mellors

Monday 2nd May - Bank Holiday

Tuesday 3rd May - 6SH Library Visit

Monday 9th May through to Thursday 12th May: SATs week

Monday 16th May - Holocaust Visit

Tuesday 17th May - Swimming trip to South Forest Leisure Centre

Tuesday 24th May - 6AO Library Visit

Tuesday 24th May - Parents meeting in preparation for the PGL residential

Monday 30th May - First day of half term

Monday 6th June - Back to school for Summer 2

Wednesday 8th June - School Sports Day

Monday 13th June through to Friday 17th June - PGL residential

Thursday 30th June - Red Cross session based around transition: Coping with Challenges

Monday 4^{th} July - 8^{th} July - Transition week at secondary schools

Monday 18th July - Pizza and Ice cream evening 3.15 - 5.15

Tuesday 19th July - Leavers Assembly

Wednesday 20th July - House Football

Thursday 21st July - End of Summer Term for the children

We do realise there are a lot of dates for parents to remember here, and I will remind you that you can access this list through our Year 6 page on the website. A letter explaining the events in a little more detail after half term will go out at the beginning of June.

Summer Term Learning Focus:

In Geography this half-term, we will be studying the achievements of Sir Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay: the famous explorers who were first the reach the summit of Mount Everest. We will look to place Mount Everest on a world map and study the surrounding areas, as well delve in the expedition which saw the previously mentioned people conquer this colossus mountain.

In Science, focus will turn to biology, specifically the human body. Will we cover the circulatory system first half, and then refresh the children on the knowledge

of other systems, such as the digestive, muscular and skeletal systems. The reproduction system (and other topics centred around SRE) will be covered in Summer 2, and I know the children are really looking forward to this unit - look out for the questions they might come home with! Before half term, we will also be addressing drugs and alcohol within our science lessons. We feel these units really lend themselves well to transition and help in preparing the children for the big wide world outside of the King Edwin gates.

SATs Week: Monday 9th May - Thursday 12th May SATs Weekly Timetable

Days	Exam 1	Exam 2
Monday	Grammar and	Spelling
	Punctuation	
Tuesday	Reading	-
Wednesday	Maths: Arithmetic	Maths: Reasoning Paper 2
Thursday	Maths: Reasoning Paper 3	
Friday	No Test	

During SATs week, Year 6 will be running a breakfast club for the children. This will run from 8.30am until 8.55am in the school hall. The children will be able to come in early and relax amongst their friends. A selection of cereals, toast and drinks will be available free of charge (thanks to a generous donation from the Co-op on Edwinstowe High Street) with the hope of energising the children in preparation for their exams.

Holocaust Visit: Monday 16th May

For this trip, the children will be leaving in school time (approximately 9.30 am) and arriving back before the end of the school day. Consequently, the children don't need to be in school any earlier than usual. We are requesting that children come to school in their school uniforms and that they also bring with them a packed lunch for the day.

Swimming: Tuesday 17th May

As a further reward for all their hard work this year, we have arranged a swimming trip to South Forest Leisure. The session is booked between 10.30am and 11.45am where we will be walking to the venue. As it is a fairly long walk, we are allowing trainers for the day, but other than this, normal school uniform please. This is a free trip thanks to FOKE who are paying in full for the cost of the experience. Further information about this trip - and a consent form - will be coming out in due course.

Monday 4th July - 8th July - Transition Week (except Brunts)

These are the transition days and dates:

Dukeries - all week: Monday to Friday (5 days)

Meden - Monday 4th July (one day)

Tuxford - Between Tuesday 5th and Friday 8th July (unsure of how many days)

Garibaldi - Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th (2 days)

Joseph Whitaker - Monday 4th, Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th July (3 days)

The Brunts - Wednesday 29th June, Thursday 30th June, Friday 1st July (3 days)

Tuesday 24th May - Parents meeting in preparation for the PGL residential

This will be run through our TEAMS platform as we understand some parents might struggle to get in person. The meeting will run from 4.00pm and last approximately 1 hour. On the Tuesday, we will be sending the children home with a pack that we will be referring to in the presentation, including a medical form which needs handing back to school. There will be an opportunity to ask questions during the meeting and we will endeavor to answer as many as we can. If it is a personal question or query, please feel free to catch any of the year 6 team after school one evening, and we can discuss these matters then.

Regards,

Year 6 Staff