

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

I realise that I did not send out a monthly newsletter last week mainly because I had several days out of school at the head offices of our trust in Birmingham. Therefore, I am sending this letter instead with the main information that you will need at this stage of the term.

### **Bugs...**

Just a quick note to alert you (you may have unfortunately already noticed!) to the fact that headlice seem to be enjoying the warm weather and are around in increasing numbers. These annoying creatures are found wherever large numbers of people (particularly children) congregate but there are things we can all do to try and keep them to a minimum. I have attached a very detailed leaflet that I would urge you to read and the link below takes you to a very useful web site. You may notice that it talks of National Bug Busting Days – we aim to join in with the next one in October. In the meantime, I am sure the leaflet and web site will help: <http://www.chc.org/homedir/faq.cfm>

### **School Events Completed**

Thank you to all pupils and staff in Peach, Pineapple and Nimrod classes for their recent assemblies – it is lovely for us all to see the great things that have been going on across the school. Thank you and well done also to everyone involved with recent competitive sports events, which have included athletics, tennis and cricket. Continuing the sporting theme a very determined group of our older children recently completed a week of bikeability (cycling proficiency for those of you as old as me!) despite the efforts of the weather to stop them with what was torrential rain. Finally, in terms of the wider curriculum our reception pupils had a lovely day out at Banham Zoo and our Y5 pupils put all their music practice into action at a county wide music event in Bury. It has been a very busy period in school for other reasons too - we have also seen our year 2 pupils take their SATs tests, our year 1' their phonics check, took class photos which I hope you will be able to purchase, had a visit from a senior member of the Department for Education to check on our progress between Ofsted inspections and invited you all to SRE information sessions!

### **School Events To Come**

Whilst it is busy in school all year - this period is especially so. We have a whole range of events coming up from sports days, to KS2 performances to summer fayres and move up mornings to name but a few. Rather than list them all here and risk missing something out we will send out event specific information over the coming days and weeks – this will also ensure you only get what information you need as some events are of course only relevant to certain year groups. I can confirm now though that the summer Fayre will be on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July 12-3PM.

### **Heatwave**

We are clearly experiencing temperatures beyond the norm this week. In view of this, I am more than happy to relax the uniform accordingly. If you wish your child to wear shorts or summer dresses and short sleeved polo shirts without the tie that will be fine. I very nearly even took my jacket off yesterday!

### **Please Ask**

Finally, may I thank you all for your continued support. We cater to over 500 pupils and many different families and whilst we aim to please everyone there will be times when things in school are not what you expected or even don't agree with. If this is the case please do contact us – we can't always change things but we will most certainly listen and try our best to make the school the best it can possibly be for all pupils and for all of you too.

Kind Regards

Steven Vincent - Principal