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NEWSLETTER - 11 MAY 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

What another busy, positive week! It has been wonderful to hear the children's enthusiasm for learning. Owls class (Years 5 and 6) have had fun exploring forces this week – in particular their practical investigations into air resistance. It made an interesting sight to see in the playground yesterday. Robins class have also carried on the science theme, looking into germs and carrying out experiments into how germs (in the case of this exploration: glitter) transfer and what gets rid of them most effectively. The infants investigated thoroughly and concluded hot water and soap was best! Meanwhile Swallows class are immersed in their reading topic and have enjoyed comparing 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' book with the 1970s film version.

The School Council have been busy this week considering the anti-bullying policy and making it child friendly. So far, classes are in discussion about whether they would prefer a poster or leaflet. The Digital Leaders have also been reviewing the Acceptable Use Policy that most children, parents and all staff have signed previously. This has been in place for several years and aims to promote the safety of all school members on-line and digitally.

FOHS Royal Wedding Celebration

Our thanks go to the Friends of Horton for a productive meeting on Wednesday. The plan is to celebrate the Royal Wedding with tea and cake on Friday

18th May 3:30pm at the Village Hall. Donations of cakes would be greatly appreciated! Please send them into the office on Friday for collection by the FOH team.

SATs Week

Good luck to all of our Y6 children next week who will be completing their SATs tests. They have all worked so hard and we are really looking forward to seeing them show off what they can do. A special thank you goes to Miss Casley and all the staff for their hard work in preparing the children so well – not just this year but throughout their time at Horton. A letter has gone out to all Y6 pupils this week detailing the timetable for the week. For your information we are holding a SATs breakfast for all Y6 children on Monday morning at 8.30am. On Friday 18th May Miss Casley and Mrs Taylor will take the Y6 children out for a picnic lunch and all children will require a packed lunch and a drink for this. Please remind your children to have a good night's sleep and a restful weekend.

Dinner Money

Dinner money is £2.10 a day and can be paid either in cash or by cheque payable to South Gloucestershire Council. We request that dinner money is paid at the time the child has the dinner. This makes it much easier for staff but also prevents a build up of arrears which can then be very difficult to pay.

Swimming Money for Year 1 to Year 4 - Term 5 and Term 6

The cost of swimming lessons for term 5 and term 6 is £24.50 per child. If payment is made by cheque please make cheques payable to South Gloucestershire Council.

If you have not yet paid for Term 3 and 4 swimming money please do so by Tuesday 15th May.

FOHS - Entry to the Chipping Sodbury Carnival

This year's carnival is taking place on Saturday 16th June. Some of the parents are working on another fantastic trailer entry this year to coincide with the theme of going to the fair. If you would like to join the procession we would like your child to come dressed as someone from a traditional fair/circus. Ideas include strong men or women, lions, elephants, jugglers, clowns, trapeze artists and acrobats. Last year's trailer was generously funded by some of the parents involved with the design and building of the structure. This year we are asking for a voluntary donation if you would like your child to be involved. No child will be excluded from taking part if unable to donate however to ensure a successful float your support would be appreciated by the FOHS. Please send your donations into the school office with our thanks for your continued support.

MUFTI (non-uniform day) Friday 8th June 2018 in exchange for donations of wrapped children's tombola gifts. These will be used for our school's stall at the Chipping Sodbury Festival.

Academic Year 2017/2018

	Start of term 5
14.05.18	8:30am Y6 SATs Breakfast
	No swimming for Year 1, 2, 3, and 4
21.05.18	No swimming for Year 1, 2, 3, and 4
21.05.18	Life Skills Year 6 to attend for the morning children will travel by coach
25.05.18	End of term 5
04.06.18	Start of term 6
04.06.18	No swimming for Year 1, 2, 3, and 4
07.06.18	Year 6 Leavers Service at Gloucester Cathedral will travel by coach Parents not to attend due to space restrictions
08.06.18	MUFTI (non-uniform) day
11.06.18	Swimming for Year 1, 2, 3, and 4
14.06.18	Sports Day - at Village Hall - 1.30 p.m.
14.06.18	No after school clubs
18.06.18	Swimming for Year 1, 2, 3, and 4
25.06.18	Swimming for Year 1, 2, 3, and 4
26.06.18	Year 5 Science morning at Chipping Sodbury School transport will be provided
02.07.18	Swimming for Year 1, 2, 3, and 4
03.07.18	Dress Rehearsal - at Village Hall - 2.00 p.m.
04.07.18	Summer Production - at Village Hall - children arrive at 5.30 p.m. for a 6.00 p.m. start
09.07.18	No swimming for Year 1, 2, 3, and 4
16.07.18	No swimming for Year 1, 2, 3, and 4
16.07.18	Talent Show - at School - 2.00 p.m.
20.07.18	Year 6 Leavers Service at church - 2.00 p.m.
20.07.18	End of term 6
03.09.18	Start of term 1
26.10.18	End of term 1
05.11.18	Start of term 2
21.12.18	End of term 2
07.01.19	Start of term 3
15.02.19	End of term 3
25.02.19	Start of term 4
05.04.19	End of term 4
23.04.19	Start of term 5
24.05.19	End of term 5
03.06.19	Start of term 6
23.07.19	End of term 6

**Please note: In-service Training Dates for 2018-19
will be confirmed later in the summer.**

