



# Bean News



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## Royal Wedding Celebrations—Friday 18th May 2018

Parents are invited to come and collect their children at 2.00pm and join us for a family picnic on the field to celebrate the Royal Wedding. Please bring a picnic blanket and a picnic for your family.



Children are encouraged to make or wear a hat or fascinator for this special occasion. Please send your hat into school in the morning as a prize will be awarded in assembly for the best hat or fascinator in each class. A Royal hat parade will also take place at approximately 2.45pm on the field.

Children who are not collected at 2.15pm will be supervised by staff until the end of the school day and should be collected at the normal time.

To mark this special occasion all children will receive a celebratory bookmark, to encourage reading. Parents will have the opportunity to order a Royal Wedding Commemorative Medal at the cost of £2.00. Order forms will follow.

## Kent School Games

In February our Handball team took part in the Dartford School Games competition and finished a very competitive third place. Since London 2012 a growing number of schools are playing handball, a really fast game which builds strength and co-ordination and is played with great team spirit and sportsmanship.



Five children from Argentina class represented our school at the Key Steps Gymnastics competition in March, scoring some very high individual marks in Floor Exercise and Body Management.

Our next school Games event is Mini-Tennis Red on 9th May. Good luck to our four selected children from Mexico Class!

## Sporting Achievements

Ten pupils were selected this week from Ireland and Italy Class (Yr 1 & 2) to represent the school in an inter-school infant agility competition that tested their athletic and gymnastic abilities. It was the first time many of the children had competed against other schools, many much larger than Bean. Fourteen schools entered this annual event and I am delighted to report that Bean achieved first place!

The children will now progress to the Kent School Games finals representing Dartford in the summer.

The girls football team also experienced success this week as they competed against Westgate Primary School and came away with a 6-1 win! Congratulations to all those involved.

To continue with our sporting theme, you may be interested to know that 52% of all our pupils took part in one of the seven after school clubs this week which includes dance, gymnastics, cricket and football. There are still places if you'd like your child to participate in one or more of these activities.

## Lunch routines—drinks

Please ensure that children have suitable cutlery in their lunchbox where necessary. This is due to their being only a limited amount of cutlery available for hot dinners. Many Thanks



### Key Stage 1 Playground

Please be aware that improvements will be made to the front playground from Tuesday 8th May, this may mean restricted waiting space on the playground in the mornings and afternoons. This work will be completed as soon as possible, but may result in parents having to wait on the pavement until the wooden gates are opened. We apologise for any inconvenience.



### Water Bottles

Please be aware that some children do not have water bottles in the classrooms and therefore have to use fountains and miss learning opportunities during the day. Please provide a water bottle for your child. Please ensure children who have a drink with their packed lunch also bring a separate water bottle for the classroom.



### Reception Parent Workshops

Miss Eagle is holding Phonics workshops for Year R parents. Parents are invited to attend workshops on one of the following:

#### Phonics Workshops

- Monday 18th June
- Monday 25th June

### Warmer Weather

It is important to us all that the children are safe in the sun and we have therefore put the following guidelines together to ensure the children can enjoy the sun over the coming months.

- Please talk to your child about staying safe in the sun and the need to drink plenty of water
- Children should bring a suitable sun hat to school. School hats are available from Casey's.
- Please ensure your child has a water bottle in school.
- Parents are asked to apply sun cream to their child prior to coming to school. Staff are not permitted to apply sun cream during the school day.
- Please ensure sun hats and water bottles are clearly named

### Friends of Bean News

We are delighted to tell you that the Easter Raffle raised £277! Thank you for your continued support.

#### Father's Day

Friends of Bean will be running a Father's Day 'gift room' on Friday 15th June 2018. Letters to follow.

#### Summer Fayre

Our annual Summer Fayre will take place on Saturday 30th June. If you are able to help out on this day please speak to a member of Friends of Bean.

### Dates for your diary

#### Term 5

7th May—Bank Holiday  
14th—17th May—KS2 SATS Week  
18th May—Royal Wedding Picnic  
21st—25th May—KS1 test week  
24th May—FOBs Tag Day for donations of Jars  
25th May—Staff Training Day (No children)

#### Term 6

4th June—Staff Training Day (No children)  
7th June—Reward Day  
7th June—New Parent Intake meeting  
15th June—Father's Day Gifts  
26th June—Sports Day  
28th June—Reserve Sports Day  
30th June—Summer Fayre  
2—6th July—Outdoor Learning Week  
16th—20th July—Year 6 Isle of Wight  
24th July—Leavers' Assembly