



*'Be safe, be kind.*

*Listen and think a lot.*

*Be your best!'*



# The Perryfield Post

## It may be the summer term but....

I can hardly believe that there is only one more week until half term and just half a term left before the end of the academic year. This year seems to have gone by in a flash!

As a school there are many different events which will take place in the final half term, so it is always very busy for both the staff and children. However, there won't be any relaxation in the classroom. The children are all working hard, and will be right up until the end of term. We would ask for your support at home too. It is vital that the children continue to read at home and do their homework. This needs to continue over the summer holidays to ensure a smooth transition into their new year group. Any research/additional work you can do at home to enhance their learning in the classroom is extremely valuable but remember 'little and often'.

Could I also remind parents and carers that children should bring to school a full water bottle everyday. The children can drink from their bottle at any times during the day. There are other time when the whole class stops to have a drink. Keeping hydrated ensures that the children can work to the best of their ability throughout the day.

Our English summers are notorious for being boiling hot one minute, then rather chilly! For this reason it is essential that children bring a coat and a sweatshirt or cardigan to school every day, along with a sun hat. Even if your child says they don't need these items they really do, so please insist that they bring them. **All items should be named please (including hats).** Sun cream should be applied at home—it cannot be put on by staff or children.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**  
**READING BOOKS AND READING DIARIES MUST COME INTO SCHOOL EVERY DAY. TEACHERS NEED TO WRITE IN THEM AND TRACK PROGRESS.**

**FRIDAY 14TH JUNE**  
**INFLATABLES & NON-UNIFORM DAY.**  
£1 DONATION FOR NON-UNIFORM DAY.  
**BOUNCING AFTER SCHOOL!**  
Wristbands will be on sale soon—further details to follow.

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### Dates for your diary...

- 21st May—School trip to Hanningfield Reservoir for Topaz, Emerald & Diamond classes.
- 23rd May—school trip to Hanningfield Reservoir for Ruby, Sapphire & Pearl classes.
- 24th May—Last Day
- Half Term
- 3rd June—INSET DAY/ Non pupil day
- 4th June—Children back to school
- 6th June—1.30pm Sports Day
- 7th June—KS1 swimming starts (details to follow)
- 10th—14th—Year 1 phonics check
- 13th June—New children induction day
- 14th June—After school INFLATABLES FUN—everyone welcome (details to follow) & non uniform day.
- 18th June—New children induction day
- 21st June—9.15am—Topaz Class assembly
- 27th June—1.30 pm—New children food taster session

## Sports Day

An afternoon of sporting fun will be held on

**Thursday 6th June**

**1.30pm**

All the children take part in the races—the Year 2

helping the younger ones. The children will be in teams with brothers and sisters together. Parents, grandparents and carers are welcome to come and support their child and cheer them on. The emphasis is on fun with the children using all

the skills they have developed during the year. As long as the sun shines it is always a lovely afternoon.

Children will need their PE kits, so it may be a good idea to check that their trainers still fit!

## *A few reminders*

**No Sunglasses**—Please remember that sunglasses must not be worn in school over summer time. Sunglasses are not part of the school uniform so please do not bring these into school.

**Collect children on time** - Please remember that school finishes at 3.05 p.m. and that children should be collected from school at this time. Please notify the office if you are going to be late so we can reassure your child. If you are regularly late to collect your child or if you are experiencing child care problems then please do pop in to discuss it with me.

## *Bounce, Bounce, Boing!*

### **NOT LONG TO WAIT!**

The summer inflatables day has become a key event at Perryfields Infant School. The children thoroughly enjoy this event and they never seem to run out of energy. There is plenty to do for all the family including BBQ food, tombola stalls, ice-lollies and hook a duck etc. Please save the date and invite all your family and friends.

### **Friday 14th June**

**3.05 p.m.- 5.30 p.m.**

This event is the biggest fund raiser of the year for the school and all monies raised will go towards resources for the children. The children have already decided that they would like an AstroTurf football pitch!

The wristbands will shortly be on sale to buy prior to the day (more details to follow).

## *The Big Question*

### **Core Value—Self-belief**



This week we have been learning about being 'ourselves' and not copying others. We have been building up our confidence and discussing what makes us special.

The Big Question is—**What qualities do I have that make me special?**

Please discuss this further at home.



Of course the success of the day greatly depends on parent help and our fantastic FIPS team. Even if you can help for just a small part of the day it would be greatly appreciated.

A list of stalls which will need to be manned during this time will shortly go into the office entrance. A letter about the inflatables afternoon from the FIPS team will shortly be sent out. If you can't help during the fete maybe you could help set it up during the day or tidy away afterwards.

We are also looking for some dads, mums or grandparents who would be able to help turn a few burgers on the BBQ. If you can volunteer please see a member of the FIPS team or speak to me.

**NEXT FRIDAY 24TH MAY IS  
OUR NEXT FIPS MEETING AT  
2PM.**

**WE DESPERATELY NEED  
MORE PARENTS/  
GRANDPARENTS TO COME  
ALONG AND SUPPORT THE  
SCHOOL.**

**I HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!**

## **Diary Dates continued....**

- 11th July—Move around day and open evening with the Junior school (details to follow)
- 12th July—Last swimming
- 12th July—Reports to go home
- 15th July—10am—12.15pm 3 Tees County Final (8 children)
- 15th July—1.45pm Year 2 leavers assembly (Diamond Parents)
- 16th July—9.30am Year 2 leavers assembly (Pearl Parents)
- 23rd July—Last Day
- 24th July—Non Pupil Day staff IN-SET
- SUMMER HOLIDAYS

### **SCHOOL TRIP ON TUESDAY 21ST MAY AND THURSDAY 23RD MAY**

The coaches are booked and the packed lunches ordered. We are all extremely excited about our trips to Hanningfield Reservoir.

With the weather currently set to be dry with some sun & light cloud, please remember to apply sun screen to your child, should you think it's needed. Send them with a sun hat too but also bring a light coat suitable for the weather on the day just in case it should shower. Remember also the children should wear comfy, sensible trainers or wellies.

Also bring your water bottle and remember to wear your Perryfields jumper or cardigan. We ask that all children wear long trousers as there are lots of stinging nettles.

Please can all children arrive promptly at school as the coaches don't want to be delayed. Please advise the school, via the absence line as early as possible Tuesday and Thursday morning if your child is going to be absent to avoid any delays in the coach leaving.

Thank you.



## Swimming

Just a quick reminder that if you haven't sent the permission slip and payment into school for either swimming or the whole school trip please do so immediately, to the office and **before half term**. Without a permission slip children can not take part.

Swimming hats are available from the school office in various colours priced at £1.50 for children with hair longer than chin length.

## A few reminders.....

**Healthy Snacks**—All children are currently provided with a fresh piece of fruit or vegetable for a morning snack. This could be an apple, banana, pear, carrot and occasionally strawberries. If you prefer to send a snack into school with your child please can I remind you that it needs to be healthy fruit and vegetables only.

## Year 2 3 Tees Cricket Competition

A huge congratulations to the Year 2—3 Tees cricket team. Last week, eight children went to the Chelmsford cricket finals. They played against 7 other schools and came **FIRST!**

Unbeknown to me the winners of this final go onto play against other finalists across the county in the Essex County finals held on Monday 15th July at Billericay Cricket Club. How fantastic!

Well done Isobelle, Teddy, Florence, Minerva, Joshua, Henry B, Stanley and Callan. You are stars! (More photos on the website/headteacher's blog).



## Hall Hire

I am not sure if everyone is aware but the community hall in the Children's Centre is available to hire for children's parties. Please contact the school office for availability and further information.



**2nd Chelmsford (Springfield) Scouts**— in lawn lane are having a May Fayre and plant sale this Sunday 19th May at 2pm. There will be lots of fun for the family with a raffle, coconut shy, cream teas, fun and games, beat the goalie, toys and books plus a lot more!



## EVFS Camping Day

Last week all of the Foundation Stage children had a Camping Day. The children spent the day designing and making dens from a range of materials. The children had to communicate and work with their friends to make a suitable den. This required a lot of problem solving and higher level thinking skills, not to mention turn taking.

The children made their own sandwiches for an afternoon picnic, made binoculars to look for nature and used magnifying glasses to hunt for mini-beasts.

This is an excellent example of keeping learning real. (More photos on the website/headteacher's blog).