



Miss Shaw's Newsletter

Dear children and families,

Welcome back to the Summer Term. I hope that you were all able to enjoy the lovely weather over Easter and are managing to make the most of the changes now we are in step 2 of the Government's Roadmap. No changes were made for schools as part of this so everything will stay the same for the time being. I am expecting to be able to start to relax some of our mitigations when we reach step 3 and I will write to you all in May should this be the case.

We have a busy term ahead and I am hoping that by the end of this term we will have been able to welcome you back inside our school. Below are some key dates for your diaries and I have everything crossed that you will be able to join us for the end of Year Celebration Awards Ceremonies.

Date	Time	Activity
w/c 19 th April and 26 th April	See 26 th March newsletter	Parent Consultations by phone with teachers
Monday 10 th May	All day	Individual school photographs
Monday 24 th – Friday 28 th May	-	Year 6 Residential Trip
Monday 31 st May – Friday 4 th June	-	Half term holiday
Monday 7 th June	All day	INSET Day – school closed for pupils
Friday 11 th June	PM	Afternoon Tea Party (children only) as part of the Arbury Carnival
Friday 9 th July	TBC	Sports' Day (arrangements TBC)
Monday 11 th July	-	Children's reports sent home to parents and carers
Friday 16 th July	9:30	Year 5/6 End of Year Celebration Awards Ceremony
Monday 19 th July	9:30	Year 2 End of Year Celebration Awards Ceremony
Monday 19 th July	14:00	Reception and Year 1 End of Year Celebration Awards Ceremony
Tuesday 20 th July	9:30	Year 3 End of Year Celebration Awards Ceremony
Tuesday 20 th July	9:30	Aviary End of Year Celebration Awards Ceremony
Wednesday 21 st July	9:30	Year 4 End of Year Celebration Awards Ceremony
Thursday 22 nd July	9:30	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly
Thursday 22 nd July	14:00	School closes for the summer break
Thursday 22 nd July	16:00	The Orchard closes for the summer break

We are also ever hopeful that our Year 6 will be able to head off on their School Residential this term. We won't know for definite until Mr Johnson's next update on the 12th May, ready for the 17th May. Again – fingers crossed! Having had another look at the website for the trip destination, I think the children will have the most amazing experience. We will be booking the same week for our children who are currently in Year 5 and we will be in touch with those parents later on this term.

This term, we are pleased to have welcomed two trainee teachers. Miss Snow has joined Eagle Class alongside Mrs Robinson and Miss Haddu has joined Miss Aurelio in Ostrich Class. They have both settled in quickly and I am sure that you will join me in welcoming them whilst they are with us this term.

We have a new menu this term for lunchtime. Having run one week, we have decided that offering a sandwich would also be a good option. A daily sandwich choice will return to the menu next Monday.

Thank you for signing up for an appointment with your child's class teacher over the next couple of weeks. The team are very much looking forward to speaking to you all and sharing all the successes in your child's learning – both remotely as well as face to face.

Stay safe.

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Please remember.

STEP 2

At least five weeks after Step 1, no earlier than 12 April.



Indoor leisure (including gyms) open for use individually or within household groups.



Rule of 6 or two households outdoors.
No household mixing indoors.



Outdoor attractions, such as zoos, theme parks and drive-in cinemas.



Libraries and community centres.



Personal care premises.



All retail.



Outdoor hospitality.



All children's activities, indoor parent & child groups (up to 15 parents).



Domestic overnight stays (household only).



Self-contained accommodation (household only).



Funerals (30), wakes, weddings, receptions (15).



Minimise travel.
No international holidays.



Event pilots begin.

STEP 3

At least five weeks after Step 2, no earlier than 17 May.



Indoor entertainment and attractions.



30 person limit outdoors.
Rule of 6 or two households indoors (subject to review).



Domestic overnight stays.



Organised indoor adult sport.



Most significant life events (30).



Remaining outdoor entertainment (including performances).



Remaining accommodation.



Some large events (except for pilots) - capacity limits apply.
Indoor events: 1,000 or 50%.
Outdoor other events: 4,000 or 50%.
Outdoor seated events: 10,000 or 25%.



International travel - subject to review.



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The Orchard – Booking and Costs

Should you need to use The Orchard, our before and after school club for your child, then you will need to register with our booking system 'Childcare Online Booking' (COB). Visit <https://the-grove-primary-school.childcare-online-booking.co.uk> to register your child/children. You can then log into your account, to book and pay for the sessions you require. All sessions **must** be booked in advance. For further information about sessions and how to book, please contact the school office.

Charges

The session fees are as follows:

Breakfast Club	£2.50
After school 3.15 – 5.00pm	£6.00
After school 3.15 – 6.00pm	£8.00

There will be an **additional £2 charge per child for any session not booked in advance** via the Childcare Online Booking System. The last collection time is 18:00. There will be a charge of £3.00 for each 5 minutes a child is not collected after this time to contribute to the overtime costs for staff.

Booking and Cancellation Cut Off Time

	Booking cut-off time	Cancellation cut-off time
Breakfast Club	Midnight the day before the session is needed	19:00 the day before the booked session
After school club	12:00 noon on the day the session is needed	19:00 the day before the booked session

Any cancellations made after 19:00 the day before will be charged in full for the session booked.

School Meals

Meals for Years 3 – 6 cost £2.25 per day.

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a universal free school meal.

There is always a vegetarian option available followed by a dessert.

All school meals **must be paid for in advance** via SIMPay, unless your child is entitled to free school meals.

Knowledge Organiser Curriculum Newsletter

From this term, you will be receiving a new style curriculum newsletter known as a Knowledge Organiser. These will contain the key knowledge, vocabulary and questions that the children will be covering during their current topic. They are meant to be documents which are used throughout the topic, so your child will also have their own copy in their school books to look at during their learning. We hope that having a copy at home will give you the information you would like about what your child is learning in that topic and allow you to carry on the learning at home if you wish.



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Safety Posters!

Many of you may have seen the building work taking place opposite Tesco on Campkin Road. Reception and Year 1 children were invited to design safety posters to be used as part of a mural to be painted onto the hoarding surrounding the site.

Congratulations to Yuan Yuan and Meg, whose posters have been chosen to be part of the final mural design.



PTFA Easter Bonnet Competition

Thank you to everyone who entered the PTFA Easter Bonnet photo competition! Well done to Noah, Alex and Jasper who were awarded an Easter egg prize for their wonderful designs!



Wildflower Meadow

Your children may have noticed this week that an area of the school field has been fenced off over the Easter holiday. Earlier this year, we were fortunate enough to be approached by 'On the Verge', a charity who are planting wildflower meadows across Cambridge – there was a beautiful example on the Pulley Rec last summer, if anyone was fortunate enough to see that.

I'm sure you are all aware of the environmental advantages of these meadows, which attract bees and many other insects, as well as looking stunning. The planting took place over the holidays and we are excited to see the flowers coming into bloom during this term! Thanks also go to the PTFA, who agreed to make a contribution towards the costs to allow this project to happen.



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Friday 16th April

Rosettes this week have been presented to:

Kestrel: Ezra, Tyler H

Eagle: Afsan, Kye

Kingfisher: Alice, Fraser

Woodpecker: Austin, Seren

Kiwi: Shair, Musa

Ostrich: Alisha, Nyla

Flamingo: Khadija, Lakshan

Wren: Kylan, Nour

Gosling: Yuan-Yuan, Mustafa C

Duckling: Imani, Haneefa

The Aviary: Max, Robynn