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We are all so pleased that summer has, at last, arrived giving even more opportunities to make full use of our fantastic grounds. On a daily basis children at Locking School can be seen taking part in gardening, forest schools, PE, outdoor learning across all curriculum areas, run a mile etc. Please ensure your child arrives at school with everything needed to take part in these exciting outdoor learning activities. This includes sun protection, hat, water bottle, appropriate school shoes and PE kits. Thank you.

Please reclaim any lost property from both KS1 and KS2 designated areas. We have a growing collection of coats, jumpers, shoes and much more!



Healthy Schools

Locking School is proud to be part of the Healthy School's Network and as such we have made a commitment to "encourage pupils and their families to establish and maintain lifelong healthy eating habits". There is a recognised connection between a healthy diet and a pupil's ability to learn effectively and achieve high standards. We have noticed a growing trend towards foods which contain little or no nutritional value making up the majority of some pupil's lunches. Please ensure, if your child is having a packed lunch, that they are provided with a healthy and balanced option, keeping sugary foods to a minimum. For more information please see the Change4life website which has lots of helpful advice for parents and also a useful app with recipes and a food scanner – a great tool when shopping informing you as to how much sugar, fat and salt is really in your choices.



Head Teacher and Senior Teacher for the day Friday 8th June

On Friday 8th June, I will be putting my feet up whilst Corey takes on the role of Head Teacher and Georgia Jane Senior Teacher. As part of the day a request has been made that sports kit be worn by all pupils and staff. The Head Teacher and Senior Teacher will be planning a day of sports and other exciting activities with Geography banned for the day!

Fortnite has become an extremely popular game which a significant amount of Locking School pupils appear to be playing. Fortnite is a mass online brawl where 100 players leap out of a plane on to a small island and then fight each other until only one is left. It exposes the children to a wide range of weapons and shooting. The game's violent nature is being hidden behind colourful visuals, funny dance moves, costumes and humour which makes it appealing for children. We would request that as parents, you check to see if your child is playing Fortnite, followed by relevant online safety conversations. If children are playing on an Xbox or PlayStation you can use the parent controls to limit the length of gaming sessions. Fortnite has a PEGI rating of 12 which means it is not suitable for children under this age.

Online Game Fortnite



Royal Party in the Playground Friday 18th May, 6pm

Your presence is requested at the very ROYAL party in the playground at 6pm on Friday 18th May. All children are invited to be a part of a **special royal surprise** to open the party. There will be lots of opportunity for fun including bouncy castle, dancing, outdoor activities along with a barbecue, bar and sweet stall. We look forward to seeing you there! All children must be accompanied by an adult.



Free Family Fun Day

On Saturday 30th June between 10am and 2pm the Early Years Team from North Somerset Council will be holding a Free Family Fun Day in the Radio Wing, Locking Parklands. This event is aimed at parents who wish to find out more about the 30 hour funding for 3 and 4 year olds. There will be a one stop shop to answer any questions regarding funding, how it works and how your child could benefit. Your child will be kept busy and entertained whilst you find out all the information you need. Free refreshments are on offer for both you and your child.

Race for life – change of date

Please join us from 1:30pm on Thursday 14th June for the annual Race for Life. Please note this is a change of date due to unforeseen circumstances. Children will be bringing home sponsorship forms nearer the day if you would like to support this cause. Mrs Carter would be very grateful for any volunteers to help with medals, drinks, marshalling etc. Please send any names to the school office. We would also be very grateful for any donations of cakes on the day. Profits raised from the selling of cakes will be sent to Children’s Hospice South West. Thank you.

Locking School currently has two confirmed cases of Scarlet Fever. The symptoms include; a rash, sore throat, swollen “strawberry” tongue and flushed cheeks. During the period of convalescence peeling of the skin may occur on finger tips and toes. Scarlet Fever is a notifiable illness which must be diagnosed by a doctor. In most cases this illness can be cured with antibiotics. In order to contain the spread of Scarlet Fever, any child diagnosed, must stay away from school for 24 hours after starting their treatment, when they no longer remain contagious. Thank you.

Scarlet Fever



Debts

A polite reminder please to ensure that all dinner money / music fee debts are cleared as soon as possible. A significant amount of money is currently owed to School Meals, which is an outside contractor. **No** lunch should be taken unless your child’s account is in credit. If you are having problems clearing your debts, please contact Mrs Timms our Parent Support Adviser, who works on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, who may be able to give further advice.

Dates for your diary

- Week Beginning Monday 14th May - Year 6 SATs week. Year 2 will be taking their Sats tests after this date.
- Friday 18th May The very royal party in the playground. 6pm start. Details to follow.
- Wednesday 23rd May Sports Day (weather permitting).
- Thursday 24th May Reserve Sports Day.
- Friday 25th May End of term 5.
- Monday 4th June Start of term 6.
- Wednesday 13th June New Parents Evening. 6pm start.
- Thursday 14th June Race for Life – ***Please note change of date.***
- Week Beginning Monday 18th June – Year 6 camp.
- Friday 22nd June INSET Day. School Closed.
- Friday 29th June Summer Fair
- Wednesday 11th July Year 4 camp
- Friday 13th July Reports sent home.
- Friday 20th July Leavers party. Details to follow.
- Tuesday 24th July Leavers Assembly 10am start.
- Tuesday 24th July End of term 6

