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School Newsletter – Summer Term

Dear parents, carers and wider school family,

How lovely it is to see the sunshine at the start of the new term! I hope that you are all well and had a great Easter break recently. Once again, it is fantastic to see how well the children have settled back into school life.

Please see below for some key information about the term ahead – there is lots for the school community to get involved in and to be excited about!

Arbor

Thank you for your patience as we switched to Arbor. I believe that all the teething issues are now resolved (thank you, Mrs Aldersey!), but please get in touch if you need any further support.

Parental Consents

Regarding Arbor, we would ask you to log on to your Arbor app and navigate to the [Notices](#) section on your dashboard and review your existing consents. You should Give Consent or Decline Consent as appropriate.

More importantly, we would like you to review and either Give or Decline consent for 'Photograph/Videos for use on Social Media', if you have not already done so.

Term dates 2026-27

For your reference, these can be located on the (new and improved) school website – under [Parents and Carers > LCC Term Dates](#).

Facebook

Our Facebook account has been a success so far, with far more views and engagement than we had on the X account. If you are not yet following the school Facebook page, please search for Potterhanworth CE Primary School, where you will find regular updates on events in classes and on trips.

Sun Safety

With the welcome arrival of the good weather, please help the children to stay safe in the sun. Encourage them to wear a hat, apply sunscreen before school, and make sure they bring a water bottle to stay hydrated.

Summer Assessments

Summer term sees the following statutory assessments for children in the relevant year groups:

Year 6 – Key Stage Two Assessments (also known as SATs) – Monday 11th May to Thursday 14th May. Mr Simpson has sent separate information about SATs week.

Year 4 – Multiplication Check – to be administered between Monday 1st June and Friday 12th June.

Year 1 – Phonics Screening Check – to be administered between Monday 8th June and Friday 12th June.

Reception – there is no testing of children in Reception, but teachers will submit the Early Years Foundation Stage Profile in June, which is assessment of children’s development and learning at the end of the Reception year.

Apart from Year 6, who will already have done their tests, all children in school will undertake regular termly assessments in June, in order for us to evaluate their progress.

Parent Reports will be issued at the end of the Summer Term, but if you have any questions about your child’s progress, please speak to their class teacher.

Often, the most critical factor for children to meet their potential in assessments is for them to have excellent attendance, including arriving in school on time, so that they can make the most of their school day. It is also vital that they are in school during test periods to take their assessments alongside their peers and as part of normal school routine.

If you have any questions about assessments, please speak to your child’s class teacher.

Medical Information

If there has been any update to your child’s specific medical or dietary requirements, please inform school to ensure any medical care plans can be put in place.

Cool Milk

Cool Milk supply milk to our school, and it is free for all children until their 5th birthday. After that, you can order milk directly from Cool Milk by logging on to their website: www.coolmilk.com Please ask at the office for further information about this if needed.

School Meals

Our meals are provided by Good Lookin’ Cookin’ and are very popular with the children (and adults) who order them. All infant children are entitled to a free school meal so please do take advantage of this. You can order meals in advance, using Good Lookin’ Cookin’s website. If you are unsure whether your child is entitled to free school meals in Key Stage Two, please see a member of the office staff.

Pupil Premium Funding

If you think your child is eligible for Pupil Premium Funding, whether from historical circumstances or due to a change in your circumstances, please advise the school office and we will update our records. Please click on the link below as it will provide details on whether your child is eligible:

<https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-pupil-support/apply-free-school-meals>

Sports

Children represented us brilliantly in football, netball, bench ball, cross-country and swimming last term. They can be very proud of their participation and achievements, and I am pleased that so many children want to get involved in school sports. We have a small number of remaining fixtures scheduled for the summer term and will keep in contact with you about them where relevant.

Fundraising and School Events

Thank you everyone for your support throughout this year. Your involvement and generosity at fundraising and school events makes a real difference. It allows us to provide a high-quality curriculum, an excellent education and many exciting opportunities for our children. Wherever possible, the school applies for grants to help reduce or eliminate the need to ask for parental contributions towards educational opportunities.

Everyone's support is appreciated by means of making prompt, ongoing contributions towards activities such as swimming lessons and educational visits. These help to enrich our children's learning experiences and helps the school to continue to offer and maintain a broad and engaging curriculum.

Key Dates

Please scroll down to see the key dates – I have put them on the final page so you can print it off easily for your reference.

As always, please don't hesitate to contact me if you need any support or would like to discuss your child or the school more generally. I'm available on the playground most days, or you can reach me via the school office.

Best wishes,

Ben Kennedy
Headteacher

Thursday 7 th May	Football match - Navenby
Monday 11 th May – Thursday 14 th May	SATs testing in school (pre-SATs breakfasts for Year 6 children will be provided from 8.15am!)
Monday 18 th May	Wrates Photographers – class photos
Friday 22 nd May	Last day of term 5
Monday 1 st June	First day of term 6
Friday 5 th June	Year 6 Church School Festival
Thursday 11 th June	Visit from the Acting Bishop of Lincoln
Monday 22 nd – Friday 26 th June	Sports Week
Wednesday 24 th June	Sports Day – 9.30am start
Monday 29 th June–Thursday 2 nd July	Year 5 Bikeability
Wednesday 1 st July	Pre-school trip
Monday 6 th July	Pre-school graduation and activities (afternoon)
Tuesday 7 th July	Back-up Sports Day if needed
Wednesday 8 th July	New Reception children drop-off session – for children joining Reception in September
Tuesday 14 th July	Summer Production – Branston Community Academy (evening performance) – further details to follow
Wednesday 15 th July	Transition morning. Children move up to new classes for the session, and new Reception children join us for the morning
Thursday 16 th July	Rock Steady Concert at 2.30pm
Friday 17 th July	Year 6 Values Awards at Collective Worship in Church at 09:10
Friday 17 th July	Parent reports sent home
Friday 17 th July	Colour Run after school (fundraising)
Wednesday 22 nd July	Leavers’ Assembly – School Hall – 2.15pm
Wednesday 22 nd July	Last day of term 6