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Friday 27th February 2026

Dear parents/ carers

### **Class Dojo**

Class Dojo is now up and running. Thank you to all those of you, who have already logged on. Teachers have started to share photos on their class pages. We are thrilled that now 100% of our children are signed up so we can share the brilliant learning they do, with parents and carers.

### **Chartwells Catering**

The overwhelming feedback from the children about our new school meals is that they are really impressed! Ted in class 3 even told me that the bread (which is baked fresh on the premises every day) tasted like sourdough! Unfortunately, there have been a few issues for some parents whose children require a more bespoke menu. Please be assured that we are in contact with Chartwells, in order to resolve these issues as quickly as possible.

A big thank you to the office and kitchen staff, who have all worked incredibly hard to ensure the changeover is as smooth as possible.

### **Punctuality- polite reminder**

Registers are taken promptly at 8.50 am. Children should be in class and ready to learn at this time. If you need to speak with a class teacher or teaching assistant, please arrive at 8.40 or alternatively email the office to request an appointment.

### **Toys in school**

Children should not bring toys into school, as this can lead to things getting lost or can cause falling outs. If, as a parent, you think that your child would benefit from the use of a fidget toy, this should be discussed with your child's teacher. Fidget toys should only be used in classrooms and not taken into the playground, for the above reasons.

As always, thank you for your continued support.  
Kind regards

Dawn Bradshaw  
Headteacher

### **Statutory Tests Dates 2026**

Below are the statutory test dates for 2025/26. Can we politely ask that parents/carers avoid these dates for any appointments/ holidays.

Year 1 phonics screening check June 8 to Friday, June 12, 2026

Year 4 multiplication tables check June 7th to June 18<sup>th</sup> 2026

Key stage 2 SATS May 11th to 14th 2026

### **Calendar Dates**

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March- World Book Day

Week commencing 9<sup>th</sup> March- Year 6 mock SATs

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March- break up for Easter**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April- return to school

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May- bank holiday

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May-children break up for half term

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May- INSET day**

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June- return to school

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July children break up for summer

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July- INSET day