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Remaining information for Term 6

Let's Sing workshop – 19th July

Children in Wrens and Robins have been working with a visiting singing teacher this term. Families are invited to come along at 9am on Wednesday morning to hear what they have learnt.

Rounders match – 19th July

Children from rounders club will visit Hillesley Primary School on Wednesday afternoon to play in a rounders match. Families are welcome to join them from 1.30pm if they would like to.

Leavers' play – Friday 21st July

The Year 6 children have been preparing for their end of year play which will take place at **2.15pm on Friday 21st July**. Families of children in this year group are invited to join us in the hall for this event.

We will also be saying goodbye to one or two other members of our school community at this event.

Staffing update

Kate Bashford has made the decision to move on from Hawkesbury at the end of the academic year. Kate is currently one of our administrative assistants as well as clerk to the Governing Body. Kate has worked tirelessly over recent years to support the work of the school both in the office and with our Governors – she will be very sadly missed.

If you or anyone you know is interested in finding out more information about either of these roles, please contact the school office.

September start

All children in Years 1 – 6 begin school on Monday 4th September. Children in our new Reception cohort will begin on **Wednesday 6th September** after home visits have taken place.

New catering prices

Our new provider will be making the following changes to their prices:

Toast = 15p per slice

School meal = £2.50 per meal (except free school meals)

Baguettes will not be available at first until new systems are embedded.

After School Club prices

For a trial period of two school terms initially, our ASC prices will reduce as follows:

Full session = £12 per child

One-hour session = £4 per child

This will be kept under review. We may also need to consider putting a cap on numbers to ensure sufficient staffing ratios. Thank you to all families for ensuring bookings are made in advance of the session.

KS2 SATs results

During the summer term, a number of statutory assessments take place: EYFS assessments, Year 1 phonics screening, KS1 SATs, Year 4 multiplication tables check and KS2 SATs. All information relevant to your child will have been shared along with your child's report or soon after in the case of KS2 SATs. We are required to share our KS2 test outcomes with our community:

KS2	Hawkesbury outcomes	National comparison
Reading	Expected+ 100% Greater depth 60%	Expected+ 73% Greater depth TBC
Writing	Expected+ 100% Greater depth 30%	Expected+ 71% Greater depth TBC
Mathematics	Expected+ 90% Greater depth 40%	Expected+ 73% Greater depth TBC
Grammar, punctuation and spelling	Expected+ 90% Greater depth 30%	Expected+ 72% Greater depth TBC
Combined score: reading, writing and maths	Expected+ 90% Greater depth 20%	Expected+ 59% Greater depth TBC

I'd like to thank all staff, children and their families for all their hard work in preparing for and participating in this year's tests – the outcomes were very positive.

Recent school activities and events

Clive Pig visit

"He told us all about different stores he made up. We were allowed to make up our own parts to the stories too." **Amelie, Year 2**

"His stories were really good and really funny. I bought one of his stories. I really like it." **Simeon, Year 2**

Chess

"It was amazing to see the children at Hawkesbury play against those from Iron Acton last week. They played well and interacted incredibly positively with each other!" **Mr Riches**

"It was really good to play against another school – we had new opponents to try out our skills on!" **Lucy, Year 6**

Westonbirt visit

"The children did some minibeast activities and then walked over the bridge to the den making area. We are keen to organise a whole school trip next year." **Mrs Heirani**

"We did some different activities. We played games and we went to see some trees. There were pine cones on the trees and some fell down!" **Gracie, Reception**

Multi-sports

"We went to KLB and did some sports activities like stuck in the mud. It was amazing; ten out of ten!" **Hattie, Year 2**

"When we were there, we played a game inside the sports hall where we had a parachute and we had to work in teams. One team waved the parachute to get the objects off and the other team put them back on again." **Milo, Year 2**

African drumming workshops

"It was really fun! He told us a story about the tune from 'We Will Rock You'. He was really kind and helped us a lot." **Ursula, Year 4**

"The parents got to have a go at the end of the day. I was nervous about performing but it turned out well." **Natalie, Year 3**

Summer reading challenge

Last week, school received a visit from a member of the local library team who introduced them to this year's summer reading challenge. Children are invited to read books from the library in exchange for stickers and rewards. All children who get involved will be recognised in our Friday celebration service in September.

To find out more about this year's summer reading challenge, please visit the website:

<https://beta.southglos.gov.uk/holiday-activities> Please note: Hawkesbury community library are registered for the scheme this year and families can visit the Village Hall on 4th August and 18th August at 2.30pm if they would like to get involved.

Governor update

Changes to the team

Two members of our Governing Body will be finishing their term at the end of the academic year. We would like to say a huge thank you to Tom Wilmers (co-opted Governor) and David Wylde (associate Governor) who have utilised their skills as committed members, providing effective support and challenge to our schools over recent years. A new member of the team has recently been elected as co-opted Governor and so we welcome Adrian Gilby who joins us with a wealth of experience in the engineering industry.

Headlines from last Full Governing Body meeting

- The Chairs of the Committees that operate as part of the Governing Board provided a review of 2022-23, and set out their aspirations for 2023-24.
- The Governing Board had completed a self-evaluation – this used a template from the National Governance Association and highlighted strengths in a number of areas.
- The Governing Board agreed that Governors will explore opportunities for the schools to join a Multi-Academy Trust: Governors noted that this wasn't a vote to join a MAT, but meant that further information and options would be investigated.

Term 6 calendar

Event	Date and time	Information
Let's Sing workshop	19 th July, 9am	Families are invited to attend.
Rounders match at Hillesley	19 th July, 1.30pm	
Year 6 leavers' play	21 st July, 2.15pm	
Last day of Term 6	21 st July	
First day of Term 1	4 th September	School begins at 8.30am – please ensure you are on time so that your child doesn't miss out on their learning.
First day of Term 1 – Wrens	6 th September	

Dates can also be found on our school website: <https://hawkesburyprimaryschool.co.uk/category/news/>

Term	Starts	Ends
Term 1	Friday 1 September 2023	Friday 20 October 2023
Term 2	Monday 30 October 2023	Friday 15 December 2023
Term 3	Tuesday 2 January 2024	Friday 9 February 2024
Term 4	Monday 19 February 2024	Thursday 28 March 2024
Term 5	Monday 15 April 2024	Friday 24 May 2024
Term 6	Monday 3 June 2024	Tuesday 23 July 2024