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Dear Families,

The school timetable is very busy now and we have a number of events taking place during the next few weeks so please do keep a check on the newsletter.

Transition took place this week and the children were brilliant! I walked around the classes which were calm and purposeful and the children are looking forward to their new classes in September.

Have a great weekend.

Jane Sharrock

CREATIVITY WEEK – ‘A WONDERFUL WORLD’

Next week, the children will take part in a range of exciting activities as we celebrate ‘A Wonderful World’. Each class will learn a specially chosen song and enjoy a variety of creative experiences, including art activities, a whole-school dance and creative writing. Miss Cove and Ms Lyle have also organised a Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 project in which all children will participate. It promises to be a wonderful week of creativity, collaboration and celebration, as we reflect on the beauty of the world God has created and explore the arts together.

RECEPTION PARENTS

Just a reminder that we are holding a short meeting on **Monday, 13th July at 2.50pm** for our current Reception parents to explain how the class structure is set for Year 1 children. We look forward to seeing you there.

CLASS AND YEAR 6 LEAVERS’ PHOTOS – MONDAY 13TH JULY

As you are aware, the original photo session had to be cancelled during the recent spell of very hot weather, as some children were unable to attend school at that time. This has resulted in a delay to the photographs being taken and in photos being processed.



The cut-off date for ordering will be during the summer holiday which will give parents time to order but the photos will not arrive until September. However, if parents would like the photos quicker, home delivery can be selected when ordering. Home deliveries will be processed and dispatched within the usual turnaround time from the date of order. Thank you for your understanding.

Please can all children come to school wearing school uniform. REDWOOD CLASS - Please can children come to school in their school uniform on this date. They can bring in their PE kit for our PE session in the afternoon.

MUSIC CONCERT – THURSDAY 16TH JULY

On Thursday, 16th July at 9.15am, we will be coming together to celebrate music. We will have performances from the choir, boys vocal, recorder club and guitars. We will also be performing some of the songs from our Creativity Week. We hope you can join us.

SCHOOL UNIFORM SUPPLIER

We are pleased to let you know that Broadwater Sports is now our school uniform supplier (37 Broadwater Street West, Worthing BN14 9BY – tel. 01903 234589).

School uniform can be purchased online or directly in store. Further information, including ordering details and links, can be found via their website

<https://broadwatersports.co.uk/schoolwear-2/st-john-the-baptist/>



2026 SUMMER READING CHALLENGE



Findon Valley Library are coming along to our Collective Worship on Monday, 6th July to introduce the 2026 Summer Reading Challenge.

The theme for this year's Summer Reading Challenge is Read to the Beat, celebrating the joy of music and the power it has to move, inspire, and connect us – all through the magic of reading.

'POWER UP' – WEDNESDAY 8TH JULY

On Wednesday, Dan Morley (Premier Education) will be working with all our children to complete stage 2 of the Power Up programme, a variety of physical activities and challenges. Our Year 6 children will be supporting our younger children. **Please can all children (except Reception children) come to school wearing PE kit.**

WELCOME TO OUR CLASSROOM – WEDNESDAY 15TH JULY

On Wednesday, 15th July, you will have the opportunity to meet your child's class teacher for the next academic year.

3.30pm	-	Year 1 (current Reception)	Key Stage 1 team
3.50pm	-	Year 2 (current Year 1)	Key Stage 1 team
4.10pm	-	Rowan (current Year 2 & 3)	Mrs Griffiths
4.40pm	-	Redwood (current Year 4 & 5)	Mrs Wellby

During this presentation, you will find out information about your child's learning for next year with an opportunity for parents to ask questions. Each presentation will take place in your child's new classroom, with all Year 1 and Year 2 parents to go to Willow Class.

YEAR 6 LEAVERS' SERVICE – FRIDAY 17TH JULY

Parents and carers are warmly invited to join us for our Year 6 Leavers' Service at 9.15am on Friday, 17th July. The service will take place at school and, weather permitting, will be held outside on the school field. We hope you can join us for this special celebration as we mark the end of our Year 6 pupils' primary school journey.

IMPORTANT - AFTER SCHOOL CLUB – TUESDAY 21ST JULY

Please note that there will be **no After School Club on Tuesday, 21st July**, as this is the last day of term.

RECENT CORRESPONDENCE

- Hot weather emails
- PTA Summer Disco
- O2 email

PTA NEWS

We're looking for some new PTA superheroes! Another school year is nearly over, and a few of our committee members are hanging up their capes. That means we're looking for some lovely new volunteers to join the team! Committee roles available include Chair (can be shared), Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Vice Treasurer and general committee members.

Yes, it's your own time you're giving, but the smiles on the children's faces make it all worthwhile (and the occasional pub drink helps too!). If you'd like to find out more, come along to our final meeting of this school year: 📅 Tuesday 7th July ⌚ 8pm 📍 The Black Horse

Summer Disco - Friday 17th July

Don't forget to buy your child's ticket to the Summer Disco. £3 per child via cash or SumUp.

Pre-loved Uniform

Get ahead for September and check out the pre-loved uniform for sale at <https://www.wearecress.com/school-shop?storeId=26335>

DIARY DATES FOR 2025-2026

Over the weeks, we will add **new dates/events in red**, so please make sure that you regularly check this list and update your diaries.

JULY

Mon 6 July	CREATIVITY WEEK – A WONDERFUL WORLD LAST CHOIR CLUB
Tues 7 July	LAST BOYS' VOCAL GROUP PTA MEETING (8pm – The Black Horse)
Wed 8 July	Reception trip to Arundel Wetlands Centre 'POWER UP' DAY – Year 1 to Year 6 wear PE kit
Fri 10 July	Parent Forum (2pm) LAST GARDENING CLUB
Mon 13 July	ASTRACOLOUR CLASS AND YEAR 6 PHOTOS (9am) Reception parent meeting (2.50pm)
Tues 14 July	LAST DRAWING CLUB & WANNADO DANCE CLUB Year 6 Fiver Challenge (3.30pm) – Parents invited
Wed 15 July	Year 6 cheesy chips (12 noon) WELCOME TO THE CLASSROOM – see Newsletter for times
Thurs 16 July	MUSIC CONCERT (9.15am) – All welcome!
Fri 17 July	Leavers Service (9.15am) PTA Summer disco (3.30pm)
Mon 20 July	Year 6 Party (3.30pm)
Tues 21 July	Last day for children
Wed 22 July	INSET day



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