

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school, for the last term (and always a very busy one) of the school year.

REMINDERS

09/06/2025 – Reception class to Blackberry Farm - Please do not forget to complete your child's sandwich choice, a reminder has been sent today as we need to let the kitchen know tomorrow.

10/06/2025 – Year 6 Safety in Action at The Bowles Centre.

10/06/2025 – Swimming starts for Year 4 & 5.

11/06/2025 – Year 1 trip to Blue Reef Aquarium – Please do not forget to complete your child's sandwich choice.

11/06/2025 – Year 4 trip to Battle Abbey.

12/06/2025 – Bags2School collection (good quality Adult or Children clothing, shoes, hats, belts and handbags. Sadly, they are no longer able to collect soft toys, towels, bedding and curtains). This can be brought into school from Wednesday 11th June, please bring into school as if it rains over-night they will not collect wet bags.

12/06/2025 – Year 5 & 6 Cricket in Tunbridge Wells.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

16/06/2025 – 20/06/2025 Year 6 Residential Trip.

20/06/2025 – Year 4 Welly walk has been rescheduled from Tuesday 17th June and a letter will follow shortly.

21/06/2025 – PTA Summer Fair 11.30am-2.30pm

25/06/2025 – Sports Day, weather permitting and you are welcome to join us from 12pm onwards. If the weather is not kind, our reserve date will be Wednesday 2nd July 2025.

GENERAL INFORMATION AND ATTACHMENTS

This summer Bowles is running Icebreaker Days for children moving to secondary schools in September.

They are aimed at helping children make friends before starting their new school. We run a morning of icebreakers and group challenges, and the afternoon is a personal challenge such as rock climbing or a ropes course. Children are put into groups with their new classmates. This is Bowles' fourth summer running Icebreakers. Last summer more than 600 children starting ten local secondaries came and comments we've had from parents in the last couple of years are around how they felt their day made their children less anxious in the run up, or how they'd made new friends to catch the bus or walk with.

At the moment Bowles have days arranged for Beacon, TWGSB (Tunbridge Wells), Judd, Bennett, Skinners, TWGGS, TGS and Weald (Tonbridge). Days cost £55 and are running in the last two weeks of the summer holidays. For further information and booking go to <https://bookwhen.com/bowles>

Create Music opportunities:

If your child is interested in learning a musical instrument at school, there are spaces available for a September start on a wide range of instruments including flute, clarinet, guitar and piano.

Click on the link below to explore what is available at St Johns and to sign up for lessons:

<https://createmusic.org.uk/for-children-and-young-people/lessons-at-school/>

There are a range of support schemes with fees for children with EHCPs and also for those receiving Pupil Premium funding or in receipt of other government support, as well as reduced fees for group lessons, so it is worth having a look to see if you qualify.

Please see attached a leaflet detailing a workshop for parents to help support a child with ADHD.

Kind regards

