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Dear Parents and Carers

Another month has flown by and we are already fast approaching some major events in school.

School Trips

We have experienced a great deal of difficulty booking trips, as coaches are in limited supply and venues have been overwhelmed with schools eager for their children to experience the excitement that has been put on hold during the pandemic.

Year 1 have already been on their visit to Chelmsford Museum and had a wonderful day there. Reception classes will be going to Watt Tyler Park on 19th July and Year 2 are looking forward to an in-school workshop based on their learning about Rainforests.

Not forgetting our whole school trip, that is being fully funded by the school, to Call of the Wild Zoo on 15th July.

More details will follow as soon as bookings have been finalised.

HM Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Anniversary

Our whole school is very much looking forward to celebrating our Queen's Platinum Jubilee, which will be during the week commencing 23rd May. A variety of activities will be arranged in school which will culminate in our grand 'street party' on Friday 27th May. On this day, we would like the children to come to school dressed in red, white and blue. We will all eat our picnic lunch together outside, weather permitting, in street party fashion. There will be flags and bunting galore along with patriotic music being played throughout. Dolce have included this on their menu, **[so if you would like to order your child a picnic lunch, please do so before Monday 16th May 2022.](#)**

Our school's 70th anniversary

As you already know, this school first opened its doors in September 1951 and Our PTA have been incredibly busy organising our Platinum Anniversary fun day. Please save this date and tell all your family and friends that this will be going ahead on Saturday 25th June from 10am – 4pm. Inflatables, performances by local groups, stalls and games are already on the cards, along with displays of school memorabilia. Tours of the school, for past staff and pupils, will also be arranged.

Please contact Stephanie Trew if you are interested in having a stall or if you have any connections with community groups who would like to take part in the day. If you can help in any way, Stephanie can be contacted via Facebook messenger or on 07803 075491

Walk to school challenge

The children are so excited about this new project and love seeing their progress towards earning a badge as they log their journey to school every day.

The idea is to not only promote a healthy lifestyle, but to reduce congestion and pollution at the school gates. Children who walk, cycle or scoot to school are happier, healthier, refreshed and ready to learn.

Your child only needs to walk to school, or at least 10 minutes as part of park and stride, once each week for a month, to earn a badge. From the end of May, the class with the highest number of active journeys will receive the WOW trophy to display in their classroom for the week.

Reading Buddy

Although some children are engaging with this online reading tool – Oxford Reading Buddy, there is a lot of children who have not yet logged on. The school pays a considerable amount of money to subscribe to this resource so I urge you to help your child to log on and explore the activities with the Reading Buddy character of their choice. Please ask your child's teacher if you cannot remember their personal log in details.

School Uniform reminder

Unfortunately, I am still noticing a variety of colours when the children gather for assembly each day. It is very noticeable that a child is not wearing school uniform colours and I respectfully request that you help us to ensure that an appropriate standard of dress is maintained in the school. School uniform helps to promote a sense of belonging and I do not want to see a child feeling uncomfortable if they are dressed differently to other children. For safety reasons, no jewellery can be worn at any time and **long hair must always be tied back.**

The school has no preferred retailer from where uniform must be purchased although, items with the school logo can be purchased from Penn Sports, Kents Hill Road, Benfleet.

Please make sure all items are marked with your child's name, especially coats, cardigans and jumpers.

... and finally

Please remember to check your emails regularly, including junk and spam boxes, and keep the School Office updated with any change of contact details.

Yours sincerely



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Headteacher

Learning is a journey, not a destination