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Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you all had a restful Easter break.

Important Dates coming up:

- Monday 15th April - Year 3 continue swimming lessons daily at King Henry VIII
- Tuesday 16th April - Year 1 Phonics Screening Workshop for Parents at 9:10
- Thursday 18th April - Class Assembly for 4P at 14:40 – parents welcome to attend
- Friday 19th April - Last day for Year 3 swimming
- Monday 22nd April - Last Forest Schools for R2 and 2P
- Friday 26th April - PTA Spring Disco (booking available via MCAS)

Staff News:

Before Easter we said farewell to Mrs Cribdon who has now retired. Mrs Cribdon has left a wonderful legacy not only through the support she has given to children in the classroom, but also through Forest School and Gardening Club. We would like to wish her all the best in her retirement!

If there are any parents, grandparents or other members of our community who would like to help us fill the gardening gap left by Mrs Cribdon, please contact the school office in the first instance.

Important Music Information

Drumming is cancelled on Monday 15th April due to Year 3 swimming and Year 6 mock SATs

Strings is cancelled on Friday 19th April

These lessons will be re-arranged in due course.

Year 5 & 6 Residential Trips

Letters have gone out this week for the Year 5 (current year 4) and Year 6 (current year 5) residential trips for next Autumn Term. Please read these letters carefully and book by returning the slip and paying the deposit by the below dates. The payment can be made in your 'My Child at School' app under 'Trips – Available Trips'

Year 5 (current year 4) trip to PGL Caythorpe - Deposit and slip due by Thursday 2nd May

Year 6 (current year 5) trip to Dol-Y-Moch - Deposit and slip due by Wednesday 1st May

Notifications via My Child at School

We now send out all communications via MCAS. You will get either a notification on your app or an email (or both depending on how you initially set up the system). Please make sure your email address is up to date to avoid missing any important communications from the school, thank you!

Clubs

There are still places left on the Year 5 Frisbee club on a Thursday – please ask at the school office for a letter if you are interested.

ABM Catering

You will have seen in our previous newsletters that we have had a new catering company ABM start with us this week. We have received some brilliant feedback regarding the new service and in particular how popular the new salad cart is! We are extremely happy that the children are enjoying their meals.

Eid Mubarak

As you all may be aware, the month of Ramadan has come to an end which means many families have celebrated Eid this week. We at Stivichall, would like to take this opportunity to send our best wishes to all the families that celebrated Eid Mubarak.

Vaisakhi Celebrations

Vaisakhi will be celebrated this Saturday the 13th April. Vaisakhi is celebrated by Sikhs all over the world and marks the birth of the Khalsa. On this day in 1699, Guru Gobind Singh Ji established the Khalsa – the collective name given to baptised Sikhs.

On Vaisakhi, Sikhs go to the Gurdwara in the morning for a service. Afterwards, they have a procession through the streets with lots of singing, chanting and colourful clothes. The procession is called the **Nagar Kirtan**. This will take place on Sunday 21st April 2024 leaving from the Guru Nanak Parkash Gurdwara at 10am. In the evening, Sikhs have a special meal with family and friends.

We hope all our families enjoy their celebrations.

Safeguarding Reminder – ‘Nut-Free’ School

A reminder that in order to safeguard children who have an extremely sensitive allergy to nuts, we would like to ask ALL parents for their support in making Stivichall a ‘nut-free’ school. This will mean that no nuts can be brought to school by any children, parents or staff, in packed lunches or snacks, including in nut ‘spreads’ such as Nutella and Peanut Butter/paste and bars such as Buenos. We really do appreciate your full support on this – even close contact with another child who has consumed nuts that day can result in a severe reaction (potentially life threatening). Thank you.



Eco Tip

Each week, our Eco Warriors will be sharing an 'Eco-Tip of the Week' with you in our newsletter. We will also be keeping the school website and Twitter updated with what the Eco team have been up to.



This week's top eco tip: Limit showers to two minutes to save water (Jaan, 4S)

Reading with Nessie

As part of the Stivichall family we wish Nessie a speedy recovery from her minor operation at the beginning of the week and look forward to seeing her back in school soon. The children have missed not seeing and reading to her this week. Love and best wishes from us all.



Please see the attachments to this newsletter for some PTA news and a letter from Mrs Ferguson. Please take the time to read these attachments.

Yours sincerely

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