

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the very last half term of this academic year! We have almost managed to achieve a whole academic year without going into lockdown! This term we will be focussing **Support** and thinking mainly about how we can support our children to get ready for the changes they will be facing in the next year group. We have many things to look forward to before we break up. Our Year 4's will soon be performing at the **Festival of Voices** which takes place on the **11th July**. We will be meeting our new reception and nursery parents. We also have our wonderful **Year 6 Awards Ceremony** to look forward to. Our theme this term is **Healthy Hearts** (one of my personal favourites) which includes all of our **Sports Days**.

We are asking parents to please complete this questionnaire to give your views on how well the school is meeting the needs of your children.

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/login?destination=give-your-views>

Best wishes
Ms Von



Attendance and Requests for Authorise Absences

We receive lots of requests to approve holidays during the term time. We understand that the cost of travel during holiday periods are excessive and that families find it difficult to see families abroad. **The school cannot approve any holidays during term time, this absence will always be unauthorised.** The decision to impose a fine is not based only on one period of absence or holiday taken. **Children whose attendance falls below 90% and are then taken away on a holiday are likely to be fined.** This is why it is so important that children attend school whenever they are medically well enough to do so. To fall below 90% a child will have to miss 15 out of a possible 190 days of school. That is a lot of missed learning. We will continue to consider each case individually but ask that parents not request holidays during the term time. **The government sets schools a statutory attendance target of 97% each year.** Please support your child's learning by sending them to school everyday!

To and from school

Now that the weather is finally improving why not take advantage of it and walk/cycle/scooter to school?

If driving is a necessity please do not park up outside the school on the double yellow lines.

Star Lane is an extremely busy road and parking on the double yellow lines not only causes an obstruction to other drivers but also to the number 276 bus.

Please park in a safe area and walk the remainder of the way. These are very busy times with so many parents and pupils the last thing we want is an accident.

Thank you.



Important Dates:

Tuesday 14th June - Class Photos

Wednesday 15th June - Year 1 Parents' Meeting

Tuesday 28th June - KS2 Sports Day

Thursday 30th June - EYFS & KS1 Sports Day

Monday 11th July - Festival of Voices

Wednesday 20th July - School closes early at **12:00pm** for Summer Break

