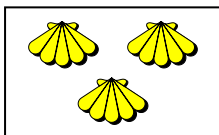


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High Wych CE Primary
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Sun Care

National Sun safe campaign

- UV measure

It's common knowledge that whilst some sun is good for us, over-exposure to UV is a serious health risk and the primary cause of skin cancer and melanoma. UV is a known carcinogen, damage from UV is accumulative and irreparable and burning as a child can dramatically increase a person's risk of developing the disease in later life. With children spending almost half their childhood at school, where they are outdoors every day, during peak UV hours (11am - 3pm), it's imperative to ensure that they are adequately protected from UV and understand the importance of enjoying the sun safely.

- Hats

The Sun Safe Schools initiative, run by Skcin - The Karen Clifford Skin Cancer Charity has joined forces with YourSchoolUniform.com as part of its campaign to encourage all schools to adopt sun safe policies and teachings. The **legionnaire hat** is a safer hat to wear in the sun than a baseball cap so we are encouraging all parents to provide these instead. These can be bought from Top Form at about £4 with our school logo. Please encourage your child to wear a named legionnaire hat and to leave it in their book bags for breaks and lunchtimes.

We will be encouraging the sun safe strategies to pupils to cover up like '**No hat, play in the shade**'.

- Sunscreen

We are continuing to encourage parents to apply long lasting sunscreen to their child before they attend school but this year will also be **trailing** the children bringing in a labelled 30+ factor spray bottle in their book bags which they can apply at the beginning of lunchtime, should they require it, to their face and exposed arms and legs.

Reception and Nursery children need to have a spray option only so that if the teacher needs to support them they can spray the sunscreen whilst the child rubs it in. We are assuming that the older children will be capable of applying their own sunscreen with minimal support.

Children should not share their sunscreen as some contain nuts. Any child misusing their sunscreen will have it taken away. All bottles are the responsibility of the child.

Please see attached leaflets for more information.

Trip Money

With all the funding cuts to school budgets and some parents choosing to opt out of important trips it is getting harder and harder to organise educational trips which are financially viable. It would be sad to remove valuable first hand experiences for our children. Please support us to keep these trips going, which enrich your child's learning, by returning your slips and payment promptly and allowing your children to take part.

PTA meetings

The 6th June meeting has now been changed to the following week- 7.30-8.30 on **Tuesday 13th June**.

Class Photos

Please return any orders by next **Monday 22nd May**.

Kingswood September 2017 - Blue class

Please remember that this trip must be paid in full by Friday 26th May 2017. Thank you to those parents who have already paid.

Please send in water bottles each day and make sure all cardigans/sweatshirts are named.

Dates for the term

Tuesday 23 rd May	Yr 6 Road Safety
Wednesday 24th May	Yr 1 scooter training- please bring in scooters
Friday 26 th May	Yr 5 Gaelic Football Tournament
Monday 29 th May	Half Term Week
Monday 5 th June	INSET day
Tuesday 13 th June	Yr 6 Buddhist Temple
Wednesday 14 th June	Rainbow and Reception - Ashridge Estate trip
Thursday 15 th June	National Green air day
Monday 19 th June	Yr 6 St Albans Cathedral trip
Wednesday 21 st June	Yr 5/6 gym competition
Thursday 22 nd June	Yr 2 music festival- Rhodes Centre
Wednesday 28 th June	School Music Concert
Monday 3 rd July	Sports Day
Tuesday 4 th July	Yr 3 and 5 to Skreens Park
Wednesday 5 th July	Yr 1 and 2 to Skreens Park
Thursday 6 th July	Yr 5 Gaelic Football Tournament
Thursday 6 th July	Yr 4 and 6 Stanborough lakes
Friday 7 th July	Urban Strides Street Dance for KS2
Friday 7 th July	Level 3 Gym Competition KS1 and 2
Sunday 9 th July	PTA Circus- tickets on sale now
Monday 10 th - Friday 14 th July	Yr 5 Bikeability
Thursday 13 th July	Transition Day- Yr 6 to new schools
Friday 14 th July	Yr 6 Triathlon Day
Friday 14 th July	Reports out
Tuesday 18 th July	Yr 5 and 6 production 1.45 and 7pm
Wednesday 19 th July	Yr 3 and 4 production 1.45 and 7pm
Wednesday 19 th July	Last Nursery afternoon
Thursday 20 th July	Yr 5 Kingswood meeting
Thursday 20 th July	Yr 6 leavers barbeque- 7-9pm no siblings
Friday 21 st July	Yr 6 church leaving assembly 12.45 followed by 1.20pm in hall
Friday 21 st July	Finish 2pm
Monday 24 th July	INSET day

Parentview

Just a reminder that you can go to <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/> to fill out a questionnaire expressing your views about the school.

Yours sincerely
Mrs M. J. West
Headteacher