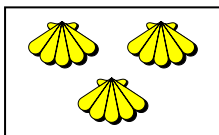


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# Summer Holiday

## Gymnastics

Well done to the 2 teams of gymnasts who represented Hertfordshire at the Level 4 Regional Games. Our KS1 team who consisted of Emily Jackson, Violet Hall, Ned Harding, Gracie Cimini, Billie Shaw and Charleigh-Faye Clark came 4th. The KS2 team of Ellie Statham, Megan Statham, Amy Martin, Charlie Jones, Phoebe Forrest and Issy Cimini came 1st. They competed against teams from Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Essex, Suffolk and Hertfordshire. Well done to both teams and thanks to Jenny and Amy.

## Library summer read

Please visit your local library over the summer and join the reading challenge - the theme this year is The Big Friendly Read in honour of Roald Dahl 100. Reading plays such a huge part in all aspects of school life and those children who avidly read on a daily basis are more likely to achieve the new expected standard and beyond.

## Outstanding monies - including Dinner money

There are a number of fees still outstanding for the PE trips, Kingswood, After School Club and Afternoon Nursery. Can you please settle these as soon as possible as all accounts need to be settled before the end of term. Any dinner money due must also be settled in full so that there are no outstanding debts to Herts Catering Ltd at the end of term. Thank you for your co-operation.

## Goodbyes

We say goodbye to **Miss Benson**, Our Nursery teacher who is relocating and has been promoted to Foundation Stage Leader. We wish her all the best in her new role.

**Mrs Hills**, our Reception TA, is leaving us to move to a fulltime job in September. We thank her for her continuous support over the past 7 years both in the class and as a member of the PTA.

We also say goodbye to **Ms Farquhar** who leaves us to take up teacher training. We wish her all the best and know that she will be a brilliant teacher. Thank you for your hard work in Year 6 over the past few years.

**Mrs Collins** is moving to a new role with us. She will be leaving us in the capacity of Teaching Assistant and After School Club leader but will be joining as a member of the teaching staff in September. We will be supporting her through her teacher training year and know she will continue to be a great asset to the school.

## Pokemon Go

Please see the website for information about Pokemon Go if you or your child are using it or at the following link:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/pokemon-go-parents-guide/>

### Uniform Reminder for September

Please ensure your child attends school in black school shoes, not trainers. Also earrings if worn should be studs and discreet, preferably taken out on PE days. Children should have hair tied back at all times and any hairbands or bows should also be discreet. Thank you

### Parking

We have received a letter from the Memorial Hall reminding parents that disabled parking and the spaces specifically for the Memorial Hall should **NOT be used by our parents**. If you can use drop and go in the mornings please do so or car share so that this will reduce the number of cars coming to school each day.

### Lost property

There is a lot of lost property including lunch boxes still left unclaimed. If you know you are missing items please collect before the end of the day on Friday as these will be thrown away during the holidays as we do not have the space to keep such items. Many thanks.

### PE Kits

Please ensure your child takes home their PE kit at the end of term.

### Triathlon

Well done to the 16 Year 6 children who took part in the gruelling triathlon last week. Well done to all of them for completing the course but also to Scarlet Dunster for winning for the girls and James Bowe for winning for the boys.

### KS2 results

'Expected' standard	School	Herts	National
Reading	75%	72%	66%
Writing	94%	79%	74%
Writing 'greater than'	44%		
Maths	72%	72.5%	70%
Grammar	75%	76.3%	72%
Combined Reading, writing and maths	63%	59%	53%

The children received their results on Friday. Just to remind you that for reading and maths the children can only receive expected or not met the standard but for writing they can achieve working at greater depth as this is based on teacher assessment. Our writing results were moderated by a County Advisor. Well done to all the children and staff.

### Birchwood's Secondary transfer Open Evening

In the Moving On 2017 flyer sent to Blue class parents the wrong date has been printed. The correct date is Thursday 29th September.

### Dates for the term

Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Blue class - Kingswood meeting 3pm
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	End of term 2pm
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	Children return to school

Thank you to all the children, staff, parents and governors for their hard work and dedication again this year. I hope you all have a lovely summer and look forward to seeing you back here safe in September. Best wishes to our Year 6 in their new schools.

Yours sincerely  
Mrs M. J. West  
Headteacher