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# Esafety

### E safety evening - 1st March 2016 7pm

We have organised for an E safety advisor from Herts for Learning to come and talk to parents about the dangers children face whilst using the internet and how we can all help them as they grow older. You will receive a letter after half term with more information.

### <u>Safer internet day - 9<sup>th</sup> February</u>

The theme of Safer Internet Day is **Play your part for a better internet!** The children will focus on this throughout the week commencing Monday 8th Feb. Please talk to your child about internet use. Resources can be found at <a href="http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/saferinternet-day/2016">http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/saferinternet-day/2016</a>.

You may also be interested in watching this docu-drama -the true story of Breck Bednar, a 14-year-old who was lured to his death after being groomed online; one of the programs used was Minecraft.

http://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/live/bbcthree

### Parent Governor

There is still an opportunity for one parent to join our Governing Body. If you are interested please contact me for more information.

<u>School Nurse surgery - Please note date change - 17<sup>th</sup> March 9.30-11</u>
This is a new initiative enabling parents and/or children the opportunity to speak to the School Nurse confidentially. Appointments necessary and parental permission is required for children to make appointments.

### What can HAND do for you?

If you are the parent or carer of a child or young person with an additional need or disability aged 0-25 years e.g. physical disability, visual or hearing impairment, a chronic physical illness, autism (Autistic Spectrum Disorder) and communication disorders, learning disability, significant pre-school delay.

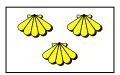
HAND offers - Concessions on leisure facilities etc. If you have any queries about HAND please contact hand@hertfordshire.gov.uk or call the Additional Needs Information Officer on 01992 556984.

### **SchoolComms**

I am pleased to advise you that as from next week we will be using a new company for our Email and Text contact with you. This should provide a more reliable service. We will use all the current information we have for you so there is no need for you to take any action. Please ensure that the office has your up to date mobile and email information at all times. Thank you. We hope that this will negate the need for paper copies of letters to be sent out.

### <u>Late arrival at school</u>

Please make sure your child arrives at school before the bell goes so they can line up with their class and have a prompt start to the day. Anybody arriving after this time will be marked as late and we will be following this up with letters home. Thank you for your support.



### School dinners

Can I please reiterate that if you order school dinners for your child they must be paid for in advance or on the morning of the day when you require a school meal. Herts Catering Ltd have made it clear that schools are to ensure that this arrangement is adhered to. Please support us in this by paying for meals in advance, preferably using Wisepay.

### Reminder - Violet History day

Please send your permission slips and payment to the office as soon as possible, if you haven't already done so. Thank you.

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### RE questionnaire

Please look out for the RE questionnaire coming out soon and return to school before Half term. Thank you.

### Dates for the term

Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February	Year 4 History Day- Saxon
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	Yr 5/6 Sports Hall athletics
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> February	Chinese New Year school dinner
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> - 19 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Half Term
Tuesday 1st March	Book fair
Tuesday 1st March	ESafety Parent meeting 7pm
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 3 History day
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	Nursery Road Safety Day
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Class Photos
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	1.15 Nurse surgery by appointment
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Sport relief
Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Egg Hunt
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Parent Consultations
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Parent Consultations
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	9.30 Easter Service
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Year 1 Hatfield Forest
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	End of term 2pm
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> April	Start of Summer term

Yours sincerely Mrs M. J. West Headteacher