

15<sup>th</sup> May 2015

Dear Parents

### Assemblies this Term

- Butterflies and Owls – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June (joint assembly)
- Dragons - Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July
- Dance Assembly - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May (For parents of children who took part in Street Dance. Other parents may attend if they wish to see the Street Dance performance).

All class assemblies take place at 9am and parents are welcome to attend their child's class assembly.

KS2 will not be organising a class assembly this term as they are preparing for a summer performance.

### Class Awards

Awards were given to the following children this week.

**Butterflies** – Lucy Busby and Zac Othman for showing exceptional courage walking down Guys Tower at Warwick Castle. Well done! Ben Horwood for showing great care and concern for others when talking about clean water and Children in Need. Harley Vaughan for working really hard in literacy to write about our trip to Warwick Castle.

**Owls** – Ruby Rea for making great progress in reading and phonics. Ruby is working really hard both at school and home, practising her sounds and reading every night. Connie Smith for an excellent attitude to learning in all subjects.

**Dragons** – Toby Sparkes for being so helpful during the Lego activity on Thursday. Hailey Pullen for being helpful during our visit to Warwick Castle despite being really tired!

**Rabbits** – William Kent for being a great friend and giving others encouragement to help them reach the top of the tower at Warwick Castle. Matthew Jones for showing resilience and determination when designing and making the portcullis for our giant castle. Matthew worked so hard, never giving up even when the task became extremely difficult.

**Hedgehogs** – Peter Pumfrey for showing good leadership skills in problem solving, team work in making our curtain walls for our school castle. Abi-Leigh Vasey for showing creativity and thoughtfulness in designing her coat of arms.

**Eagles** – Summer Vaughan-Larkins for her enthusiasm and behaviour during the trip to Warwick Castle. Niamh Lavin for always being kind, helpful, considerate and thoughtful both in class and throughout the school.

### Outstanding Payments

All outstanding payments for this half term will need to be paid into the office by **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May**. Reminders will be sent shortly.

### Sunday at 4

Please find attached information from Revd Mann and Revd Hiscock regarding Sunday at 4 sessions.

### After School Clubs

After School Club forms will go out in book bags today. They remain the same as last half term, except for Tuesday, when Lego Club will replace Board Games. Please return to the office with payment as soon as possible, places are on a first come first served basis. Please note there will be no after school clubs on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July.

## Castle Week

Thank you for all your kind comments and encouragement for what has been a brilliant week. The credit must go to all the teaching staff who have worked together to plan and organise the events, especially Mrs Wells who arranged the trip to Warwick Castle, it was so successful because of her military precision organisation. We will produce a special Castle Themed Newsletter with photos next week.

## Staffing News

Miss Davison will be leaving Marsh Gibbon at the end of the summer term to take up a post in Devon. Whilst we wish her all the best for her future career, we are very sad to be losing her. Miss Davison has given a great deal to Marsh Gibbon School during the last 4 years. She works extremely hard for her class and is an exceptional Modern Foreign Languages teacher. In addition, she has been subject Leader for PE, organising clubs and matches and sports day just to name a few. She is going to leave a massive hole.

We should have details on Miss Davison's replacement next term.

## School Class Photographs

Please remember if you wish to purchase a copy of your child's class photo, the form and payment must be handed in by the end of the day.

## A Special Appeal

We are purchasing more laptops and the company have a special deal in May, that if we trade in 5 old laptops we can get an additional one free! If anyone has an old laptop (in working order) could you please bring it into the office by **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May**. Thank you.

## PTA Update

The PTA are holding a mufti day on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May. Please can children dress up in a sports theme, for a donation of £1 per child. Thank you!

## Maintenance Day

Maintenance Day was a huge success despite the early rain. The volunteers worked together and managed to clear the pool area, clean windows, Danish oil all the 5 benches in the playground, trim all the hedges and trees, transform the front school play area, dig over most of the small garden areas, empty all the surface water drains and down spouts. They also cleared the school roof of leaves and balls, pressure hosed the reception area and the cycle shed cover and concrete cycle parking area. They swept the playground, removed mountains of ivy from trees and fences. A very large farm trailer with tree & hedge cuttings was completely filled.

A huge well done and thank you to all our volunteers, parents and governors. You have completely transformed our school and saved a great deal of money.

**A special thank you must go to Peter Ferens for organising this day for us.**

### Calendar Dates:

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May – Dragon Class Outdoor Learning**  
**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Dance Assembly**  
**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – PTA Sports Themed Mufti Day**  
**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Butterflies “Fatherly Friday”**  
**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Last Day of Term**

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – Return to School**  
**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June – Book Week**  
**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June – Transfer to Secondary School Evening**  
**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June - Butterfly Coffee Morning/Parent Pop In**  
**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June – Butterfly and Owl Class Assembly**  
**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June – PTA Glamping Weekend**  
**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Sports Day**  
**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July – Dragon Class Assembly**  
**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July – PTA Pig Roast**