



23rd April 2010

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

Welcome back to the new school term. We hope you have had a restful holiday, and managed to travel back safely if you have been overseas! Just a couple of our staff members were delayed by the disruptions to flights at the start of term, and unfortunately Mrs Shama is still stuck abroad at the moment - but will be back with us as soon as possible!

We've had a great start to the new term this week with children embarking on their new learning projects very enthusiastically. Children in **years 1 & 2** have been busy planting seeds - and thinking about bean stalks and visiting giants, whilst in **years 5 & 6** the new term started...with a holiday, as the children jetted off to Mexico on the first day of term (they were back by the end of school!). In **years 3 & 4** the children started term by meeting the captain of the Titanic, and toasting the great ship on its maiden voyage...

As everybody will have noticed during the holiday we took delivery of the **temporary classroom block**, which is being installed at the top of the field. This will become the home for most of our classes over the coming school year as the first phases of the new building project begin in earnest. There is still a lot of work for the builders to do in preparing the classrooms so we won't be actually using any of the rooms until the end of this school year, but even this temporary move is going to be a very exciting one as it will give us some smart new learning spaces for the children for next year. Well done to all of our children who are being very sensible about all of the activity outside: taking an interest in the exciting changes, whilst carrying on with their learning!

With the weather becoming much warmer it's a good time to think about sun protection - on sunny days do please put sun block on your children before school, and think about a sun hat for break times (with a name inside please!). Children are welcome to bring in a bottle of water to drink in class on hot days, provided it is also clearly named, doesn't leak and only contains water. On warm days children often take their jumpers off at playtime - and then sometimes forget to pick them up again! - so having names clearly written inside school clothes is more important than ever, as well as encouraging children to take care of their things!

A reminder that on Monday there is a meeting for **parents and carers of children in Year 3 that are going on the Hill End trip**, after school in Miss Phillips' class room. Please come along for more details of the trip, including any parents/carers who are interested but whose children are not yet signed up.

Next **Thursday 29th the school photographer** will be taking photos of classes. Please make sure that your child is properly dressed in school uniform on Thursday (and every day!).

Dates for your diary

Mon 3 rd May	Bank holiday (school closed)
Mon 10 th May	Year 6 SATs tests all week. It's especially important that Y6 children are at school in good time every day
20 th /21 st May	Year 3 Hill End trip
Thu 27 th May	Years 3 & 4 parent assembly
Fri 28 th May	May Festival (provisional date) End of term
Mon 7 th June	Start of new term
Fri 18 th June	Music Day
Mon 21 st June	School Science Week
Thu 24 th June	Year 6 trip to JR hospital
Fri 2 nd July	Transfer day - Y6 to new schools, other classes meet their new teachers Wood Farm Festival (provisional date)
Wed 21 st July	End of term 2:30

With best wishes
From Mr Lewin and everyone at Wood Farm School.



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