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Dear Parents/Carers,

### Sports Week

Next week is Barham's annual sports week so for those of you who are new to the school, children will need to come to school in their PE kit every day. Please put sunscreen on your child before they come to school and ensure they bring a hat and water bottle every day.

Please read the overviews/messages from class teachers about when your child will need to bring their swimming kit to school.

### Sports Day

Sports day is taking place on Tuesday July 12<sup>th</sup> at 1:15 pm on the school playing field and NOT on the village green as we had hoped. Unfortunately, the green is too uneven for the children to run on this year. The main gate will open at 1:15 and you will be able to go the designated spectator section on our field. For safety reasons, please ensure you do not cross the boundary in place for spectators. The first part of sports day is a carousel of activities organised by our Y6 pupils. Year 5 pupils will lead the house teams and siblings will be in the same team so you can follow your children around as they take part. You are welcome to photograph your own child but we ask that no photographs are shared online please. Points will be awarded for scores, team spirit and good behaviour. Flat races will follow afterwards with the youngest pupils (beginning with pre-school children) competing first.

When Y2 have completed their races, there will be a Y6 Tug of War. KS1 will return to their classrooms whilst the KS2 pupils compete in their sprints but they will return for the final 'lap of honour' by the Y6 pupils.

If your child has a coloured T-shirt of their house colour, they may wear it for Sports day and on the other days (Roper = blue, Becket = green, Marlowe = red and Chaucer = yellow). For children wearing the normal PE kit we will put a coloured sticker on their PE T-shirt to identify the house they are in.

Finally, we will be taking all the pupils back to class and dismissing them from their classrooms in the usual way.

The weather forecast for Tuesday has changed a few times this week but the latest forecast is hot (Wednesday looks similar). We love sports day as much as the children so hope that it can still go ahead. As a last resort, we may change the format rather than cancel it but we will email you on Monday afternoon if there are any changes.

### FOBs Summer Fair

A reminder that FOBs Summer Fair takes place on Saturday, 16<sup>th</sup> July on the village green from 12:00 – 4:00 pm. We hope you will be able to join us.



### Teaching Staff 2022-2023

I am now in a position to let you know who your child's teacher and teaching assistant will be in the next academic year. We have recently appointed an experienced TA for Year 4, Mrs Louisa Ferguson. Mrs Lydia Thompson (who is also a parent to William and Cameron) is an experienced teacher and will be the TA/additional teacher in YR to cover maternity leave.

| Class      | Teacher   | Teaching Assistant                                     |
|------------|---|--|
| YR Wrens   | Miss Melissa Todd   | Mrs Lydia Thompson (M – W)<br>Mrs Carol Potter (W – F) |
| Y1 Jays    | Mrs Jodie Sharpe  | Miss Jodie Warren<br>Miss Hannah Brice*                |
| Y2 Owls    | Mrs Victoria Bruce (M – W)<br>Mrs Sally Gurney (Th – F)           | Miss Rachel Thomas<br>Mrs Carly Rolfe*                 |
| Y3 Robins  | Mrs Ruth Washington   | Mrs Sara Collins<br>Mrs Genene Hughes*                 |
| Y4 Puffins | Mrs Jo Duhig (M – W)<br>Mrs Debbie Shilling (Th – F)              | Mrs Louisa Ferguson                                    |
| Y5 Eagles  | Mrs Nicki Gooderham (M, T,<br>W, F)<br>Mrs Michelle Anderson (Th) | Miss Susie Duke  |
| Y6 Hawks   | Mr Kieran Johnston  | Mrs Sara Pain (M – W)<br>Miss Alice Brooker (Th – F)   |

\*These TAs support individuals or small groups within the class

In addition, Dr Tamsyn Young will support children needing interventions across the school and in January 2023, Miss Ilona MacDonald returns from maternity leave to provide further support for children who need to close gaps in their learning.

The children will have two transition sessions on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July and Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July to meet their new teacher and teaching assistant.

### Meet the Teacher – September 2022

You will also have an opportunity to meet your child's new teacher in September in their new classroom. The session begins at 2:45pm and ends at 3:15pm.

**Y1 Jays – Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September**

**Y2 Owls – Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September**

**Y3 Robins – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September**

**Y4 Puffins – Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September**

**Y5 Eagles – Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September**

**Y6 Hawks - Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September**

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely



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