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# This month's value for life: CREATIVITY

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2018

Dear Parents,

We hope you enjoyed the glorious bank holiday weekend. Today we learned about our new value of 'Creativity' in an assembly planned by Reverend James but completely led by Molly, Harry, Kitty and Dominic in Year 3. The pupils spoke clearly and confidently, acted out a play and read prayers and reflections they had written themselves – well done to all!

## **Electronic Payments**

Thank you to everyone who has responded to our survey about making electronic payments for school costs such as trips, clubs and swimming. We have received 32 responses so far and I would like to keep the survey open for an extra week to hear from as many parents as possible. *Please visit* 

https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/QPGFJTN to answer two quick questions. The survey will

close next Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May.

#### **Christian Aid Week**

This year's campaign asks us to #StandTogether against poverty. We are raising money with a **cake sale after school on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May**. Please bake cakes for us and bring lots of spare change. Please bring cakes to the school office next Friday at any time before 3pm. If you don't have time to bake then any donations of cake will be gratefully accepted for the sale. We are looking forward to some baking with the pupils, too!



Poverty is an outrage against humanity. It robs people of their dignity and lets injustice thrive. But together we have the power to transform lives.

Will you #StandTogether with us this Christian Aid Week (13-19 May 2018) to help families like those of <u>Vilia</u>, <u>Marcelin</u> and <u>Jocelyne</u> live full lives, free from poverty?

#### Year 6 SATs Tests

National SATs test week takes place next week. On Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May our pupils in Oakwood class will take their spelling and grammar tests and on Tuesday we have a reading comprehension test. There are then three maths tests to complete on Wednesday and Thursday. The pupils (and staff!) have worked really hard and we know they will do brilliantly. Year 2 SATs tests take place throughout May but these can be carried out in a less formal way. Children in Year 2 will take part in the maths and reading tests but we will not participate in the optional spelling and grammar test. We use teacher assessments for writing, spelling









and grammar. Year 5 pupils will also participate in tests similar to the Year 6 SATs papers which offer very valuable assessment for us. We strive to ensure that pupils don't find any of these tests stressful and we will feed back how well your child is doing in their school reports later this term.

## <u>Absences</u>

Please let us know if your child needs to be absent from school. It is vital for safeguarding that we know why a pupil is not present.

#### **Diary dates**

Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> – Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SATs – national testing week
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> May 3pm	Christian Aid cake sale
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	'Bikeability' week for Year 6 pupils (cycling programme)
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> May	Half-term
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	School closed for INSET
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5 'Big Sing' at Ardingly College – more details to follow
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 pupils start Forest School
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	Visit from professional illustrator and author Sarah McIntyre
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June 1:30pm	Sports Day (afternoon)
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> – Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Bowles Residential Trip (Years 5 and 6)
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> July 1:30pm	Worth Abbey Y6 Leavers' Service
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	School closed for INSET
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Pupils' School Reports go home to parents
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Day of Sport at Twineham (sports activity and taster day)
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 9am	Y6 Leavers' Service at St Peter's Church, Twineham
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of term

Kind regards, Scott Reece