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Dear Parents and Carers

We have had a very busy end to this academic year! Well done to all the children and staff for another wonderful year at Fairlands, including a brilliant, well-deserved Ofsted outcome.

Well done in particular to Year 6 for a fantastic set of SATS results – see below - we are so proud of them!

Don't forget, school finishes at **2.15pm** on **Wednesday, 24th July** and the children return to school on **Wednesday, 4th September**. With best wishes for a lovely summer break.

Robert Staples
Headteacher

YEAR 2 TRIP TO WHIPSNAD

Last week, Year 2 went to Whipsnade Wildlife Park for the day. Well done to all the children for their fantastic behaviour – we all had a great day and learnt many amazing facts.

YEAR 5 ROUNDERS TOURNAMENT

On Monday, a team of Year 5 children took part in a Rounders Tournament at the Thomas Alleyne School. Well done to all those who took part.

YEAR 6 SATS RESULTS

An excellent set of results! Please see our website for more details.

- Two levels progress in English: **100%**
- Two levels progress in Reading: **97%**
- Two levels progress in Writing: **97%**
- Two levels progress in Maths: **97%**

- Level 4+ Reading: **94%** (Test)
- Level 5+ Reading: **44%** (Test)

- Level 4+ Writing: **81%** (Teacher Assessment)
- Level 5 Writing: **16%** (Teacher Assessment)

- Level 4+ Maths: **84%** (Test)
- Level 5+ Maths: **31%** (Test)

YEAR 6 PERFORMANCE

Congratulations to Year 6, who gave a number of very entertaining performances of 'Porridge' this week. Thank you to all the Year 6 staff for working so hard on the preparation.

Last night, Year 6 had their end of school 'Leavers Dinner and Presentation'. They all had a great time and we wish you all **Good luck as you move onto your secondary schools!**

SCHOOL MEAL PRICES FROM SEPTEMBER

There will be a slight rise in the cost of school dinners from September as follows :

£2.05 per day / £10.25 per week

Nursery Lunch Club : £3.95 per day (£2.00 for home packed lunch and those entitled to FSM).

Cheques should now be made payable to **Herts Catering Ltd**. In order to reduce the amount of cash coming into school, please use Wisepay. **Please contact the school office if you do not have your log in details.**

TEA AND TISSUES FOR NEW STARTER PARENTS

Starting school is a difficult time - not just for the children! For a bit of moral support, all parents of children starting into our Reception or new to the school are invited to pop into the lower building Family Room for a cup of tea on **Wednesday, 4th September**, and for those parents whose child is starting in Nursery, **Tuesday, 10th (am and pm) and Thursday, 12th (am and pm)** after they have dropped off their children for the first time! This is a chance to meet the other new parents, and also our Family Lives worker, Sara Hassell.

WELL DONE

Congratulations to Carolanne Sewell (Elder), who successfully passed her kickboxing grading on the 6th July moving her up to a Yellow belt with KR kickboxing and earning the highest mark out of the group.

SHERLOCK HOLMES – FOR FREE!

Supported by the National Lottery through Arts Council England's Grants for the arts, a special performance of Sherlock Holmes is coming to **Stevenage Town Centre Gardens TODAY, at 5.30pm** - entirely for free!

No booking necessary. This performance will take place in the open-air. Remember to dress for the weather and bring a picnic and something to sit on. The performances will take place in all-weather except a full-blown tempest.



CALLING ALL YOUNG PARENTS UNDER THE AGE OF 21

Are you interested in attending a Young Parenthood Programme run by FAMILY LIVES?

The programme looks at the change from being a young person to being a young parent. It's not a parenting skills programme; it explores the impact that being a young parent has on your personal development.

It's over 8 weeks in a group of young parents – each session is 2 hours, with around **2 hours individual preparation** time outside of the sessions if you want to go for a qualification, which is optional. It will be run in September and is likely to be held in our office in Hatfield. Unfortunately we aren't able to offer a crèche.

If you're interested, please contact Laurie Jaffe on 01707 630100 or lauriej@familylives.org.uk for more information.

ATTENDANCE AWARD

	w/c 24/6	w/c1/7	w/c 8/7
ASH	97.8	92	97.5
BEECH	94.4	94.9	95.6
BIRCH	93.5	96.1	97.9
CHERRY	91.7	98.7	94.3
CHESTNUT	86.2	92.9	95.3
ELDER	95.2	90.4	97.7
ELM	96.8	96.8	97
HAZEL	88	92.5	95.6
HORNBEAM	93.5	96	98.4
LIME	96.6	96.2	93.8
LARCH	97.6	97.1	96.2
PINE	94	90	92
POPLAR	93.2	94.3	94.2
WALNUT	95.6	100	98.8
WILLOW	90.4	88.2	99.4

AROUND THE WORLD

www.hertschildrenscentres.org.uk/bridgeroad

Bridge Road Children's Centre is holding a Summer Picnic here for children aged 0-4 and their parents/carers from **10.30am – 1.00pm** on **Thursday 29th August**. £1.00/family. No need to book – just come along and bring a picnic.

DIARY DATES 2013/14

Wednesday 24 th July	End of Term 2.15pm Finish
Wednesday 4 th September	Children return to school
Wednesday 4 th Sept 8.30 – 9.30am	Tea & Tissues for new to Reception parents
Weds 4 th to Fri 6 th September	Nursery & new to Rec home visits
Monday 9 th Sept	Nursery visits with parents am & pm
Tuesday 10 th Sept	Nursery Starters am & pm Family Lives Tea & Tissues
Weds 11 th Sept	Nursery visits with parents am & pm
Thursday 12 th	Nursery Starters am & pm Family Lives Tea & Tissues
Friday 13 th to Monday 16 th Sept	Year 6 to Liddington
Friday 13 th Sept	Year 2 WoW Day & Yr 6
Friday 20 th Sept	Year 6 to Crucial Crew
Mon 28 th Oct to Friday 1 st Nov	Half Term
Friday 20 th Dec	Last day of term: 2.15pm finish
Monday 6 th Jan 2014	INSET DAY
Tuesday 7 th Jan	Children return to school
17 th to 21 st Feb	Half Term
Monday 24 th Feb	INSET DAY
Friday 4 th April	Last day of term : 2.15pm finish
Tuesday 22 nd April	Children return to school
Monday 5 th May	BANK HOLIDAY
12 th to 16 th May	Year 6 SATS
26 th to 30 th May	Half Term
Friday 27 th June	INSET DAY
Monday 30 th June	OCCASIONAL DAY
Weds 23 rd July	Last day of term : 2.15pm