



Cheddar First School

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Enjoying the Sun Safely

We have all enjoyed the recent sunny days and hope there are more to come.

So we can all enjoy the sun safely, **please can you apply a long lasting sun cream before your child comes to school.** There are a number of products available specifically for children which last for 6-8 hours. (For example, Soltan Once 8 Hour Play available from Boots).

If you feel it is necessary for your child to reapply sun cream, please send in a named bottle of cream and make the class teachers or assistants aware. It will then be your child's responsibility to apply the cream.

Sun Hats

Please can you ensure your child brings a sun hat to school. We expect the children to wear their hats for outside activities and would like every child to have one in school. Thank you.



Wren and Robin Class

As part of their Healthy Living Topic, Wren and Robin class have been visited by Dentists from Cheddar Dental Practice who talked to them about how to look after their teeth. Lauren Taylor from the practice asked us to remind you that dental care is free for all children up until the age of 18 and that they recommend 6-monthly checks. If you need to find a Dentist, Cheddar Dental Practice is currently accepting new NHS patients and they can be contacted on 01934 754259.

Wren and Robin class would also like to thank Mr and Mrs Toogood who work for the police. They came into school to talk about people children can trust and how to keep themselves safe from strangers.



Woodpecker and Skylark Class

Year 2 spent the afternoon at Fairlands Middle School on Thursday, taking part in a range of sports activities with pupils from Axbridge, Draycott and Shipham First Schools. The children enjoyed the range of activities and we are very grateful to Mrs Maguire and the Year 8 sports leaders for organising the events.

Week beginning 23rd April

Monday 23rd

Year 3 & 4 Sports Club

Tuesday 24th

Goldfinch and Kingfisher Class Swimming

Folk Dancing Club - Years 2, 3 & 4

Wednesday 25th

Robin and Wren Class Swimming

Year 1 & 2 Sports Club

Thursday 26th

Wren and Robin visit to Bristol Zoo

Year 4 Tennis at Cheddar First School

Friday 27th

Robin Class Cake Stall

Safeguarding

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. If you are worried about a child and would like to talk to a member of staff in private, please make an appointment to see:

Mrs Wookey – Designated Safeguarding Lead

Mrs Smith or Mrs Alen – Deputy Designated leads

As parents you can contact support agencies directly

NSPCC 0800 800 5000

Somerset Direct 0845 3459122

Somewhere House

If you are struggling with your day to day life and would like someone to talk to, Somewhere House offers a range of services for adults. Leaflets are available outside the school office or you can look on the website: www.somewherehousesomerset.org

May Fair 2018 on Saturday 12th May 12- 4pm

Roll-up, roll-up! This year's May Fair has a circus theme! They'll be Fairground games, Circus craft, Circus skills, Face painting, Candy Floss, a circus themed Fancy Dress Parade and much more!

There will be signing up sheets for volunteer helpers in the classrooms from next week. Your help would be very much appreciated!



Raffle Tickets

Please return Raffle tickets and money to the school office. Please ask a member of the FPTA if you need some more!

Tombola Stalls

There will be an adult and a children's tombola so donations of tins, bottles, toiletries and sweets will all be welcome. **We will be holding a special May Fair 'Mufti Day' on Friday 4th May.** Children can wear their own clothes to school in return for a donation to the Tombola stalls.

Local Businesses

Would your company like to advertise in the May Fair Programme? £40 for a full page or £20 for half a page. Please e-mail claire_holmes@btinternet.com for details.

Dates for your diary

26 th April	Reception visit to Bristol Zoo
30 th April	Year 3 Dance workshop at Cheddar First School
3 rd May	Year 3 Sports Festival at Fairlands
9 th /10 th /11 th	Year 3 Charterhouse Trip
12 th May	May Fair
16 th – 18 th May	Year 4 Residential to Kilve
17 th May	Reception Sports Festival at Fairlands
6 th June	Year 2 Trip SS Great Britain
21 st June	Year 4 Sports Festival at Fairlands
22 nd June	INSET day – School closed for training.
28 th June	Music concert @ 2pm
29 th June	Year 3 taster day at Fairlands Middle School
5 th July (Reserve 13 th July)	Sports Day: Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 Morning. Years 3 & 4 afternoon
11 th July	Puffin Class end of year play 6:30pm
12 th July	Swan Class end of year play 6:30pm
18 th July	Year 4 Leavers' Assembly & Disco
20 th July	School closes for children at 3:30pm

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

As you know we are working hard to keep overall attendance in the school above 97%. Currently the figure is 95.8% which is below or target but there has been lots of illness and we are optimistic that this figure will rise.

Weekly percentage figures:

Kingfisher Class	95.7
Goldfinch Class	94.6
Skylark Class	92.4
Woodpecker Class	98.0
Falcon Class	92.2
Kestrel Class	97.7
Puffin Class	96.1
Swan Class	87.8

Well done to Woodpecker!

Term Dates 2017/18

Term dates and In-service days for 2017/18 are on the school website under 'Key Documents'. The term dates for 2018/19 are now also available on our website

Please note holidays in term time cannot be authorised.