



April 2022

Dear Parent/carers,

Welcome back to the summer term!

Thank you for supporting FOCSA's Chocolate Bingo, which raised a terrific amount. A particular thank you to Nikki Meekings and Mark Aston. Nikki is stepping down as Chair of FOCSA and we are very grateful for all her hard work over the years. I know Beth Edwards will do a great job. She already has plans in the pipeline! By supporting FOCSA all children benefit from discounted trips as they make substantial contributions towards the coach costs. There are a number of key dates on the reverse, and this will be added to as class trips are arranged and class assemblies are set up. Willow Class have a farm trip, Lime and Oak will be off to the beach and Birch have their residential. There will be several other Y6 activities and sporting events too.

I'm sure you will have heard the exciting news, Mrs Bray had a baby girl during the Easter holidays, mum and Olivia Rose are doing very well.

We welcome Mrs Maslin in Lime Class and a new SENDCO Mrs Orchard. Mrs Maslin will be with us until the end of term. There will be a new arrangement in place come September and details will follow in due course. Mrs Orchard will be visiting school regularly and getting to know the children this term.

We welcome a new family to the community from the Ukraine and we are expecting two other families from the Ukraine to be arriving over the next few weeks. In addition, we've had a number of enquiries for new children moving to the area and there will be several new faces in school this term and in September.

Don't forget after half term we have a **PD Day on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June**, and the children return on the 7<sup>th</sup>. We also have an extra Bank Holiday on the 20<sup>th</sup> June as each school has been given a day in lieu of the Platinum Jubilee Celebrations. Our Jubilee celebrations will include a special week of learning including art, cooking, designing, and a special lunch in May.

I am looking for a Parent Helper to support Forest School afternoons. There are just a few this term, on a Tuesday afternoon. These will be for children in years 2, 4, 5 and 6. Then Years R, 1, and 2 will have weekly sessions in the autumn. If you are interested, please get in touch.

Kind regards,

Mrs Harkin Head teacher

## Key dates

*27<sup>th</sup> April Birch Class swimming starts*

*27<sup>th</sup> Y6 SATs Club start (2 weeks) 28<sup>th</sup> Y6 SATs club (2 weeks)*

*28<sup>th</sup> 9am Oak class assembly*

*9<sup>th</sup> May Y6 SATS week & Y2 SATs*

*13<sup>th</sup> May P Day - Fundraising /dress up day*

*W/c 23<sup>rd</sup> May, Queens Plat' Jubilee celebrations - 23<sup>rd</sup> dance workshop for all, parent assembly on Monday at 2.50pm, DT projects, competitions. party celebrations.*

*24<sup>th</sup> May Willow Farm visit*

*W/c 30<sup>th</sup> May Half term 6<sup>th</sup> June PD Day*

*w/c 6<sup>th</sup> Y4 multiplication tests & Y1 Phonics tests*

*17<sup>th</sup> June Birch residential*

*20<sup>th</sup> June Bank Holiday for Cockfield School*

*24<sup>th</sup> June Y6 to Crucial Crew pm*

*27<sup>th</sup> June Class photos am*

*28<sup>th</sup> June Forest School Y2 pm*

*5<sup>th</sup> July New Parent meeting*

*5<sup>th</sup> Y6 Forest School pm*

*11<sup>th</sup> July Sports Day, back up 18<sup>th</sup>*

*Y6 at Thurston CC 12/13<sup>th</sup> July*

*12<sup>th</sup> July Moving up morning for all*

*15<sup>th</sup> July Reports out*

*15<sup>th</sup> July Commonwealth Games Day - whole school celebration looking at different countries*

*15<sup>th</sup> July FOCSA school disco*

*18<sup>th</sup> July Back up sports day*

*19<sup>th</sup> Y6 leavers service pm*

*21<sup>st</sup> Last day*