



17<sup>th</sup> June 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we have had many of our children going out on trips. 4C went to Long Reach Sewage Treatment Centre; Year 5 to The Unicorn Theatre to see 'Marvin's Binoculars'; Reception went to the Horniman Museum for an 'Under the Sea' workshop and some Year 4 children went to Mountsfield Park to rehearse their performance.

#### Hope 4 Justice

Tommorrow, some of our Year 4's will be performing at 'Hope 4 Justice'. If you would like to attend please book [here](#). Over 1,000 young people, including students from 26 local schools, will fill Lewisham's Mountsfield Park on Saturday 18 June in two mass protest performances about the climate emergency.

Created in collaboration with leading artists and local young people, *Hope 4 Justice* is an urgent and powerful call to action. Directed by Hannah Gittos with music, dance and spoken word, it will highlight issues such as air quality, 'throw-away' culture, and housing inequality in the Borough.

#### School Photos

On Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June, Vancols the school photographers will be in school. This will be for individual, siblings in school, twins and class photos of the children from Nursery to Year 6, which will take place during the school day. Please ensure that your child comes to school in full school uniform. If you would like a family group of your children with siblings not of school age taken, please come to the Main Hall from 8.30 am.

#### Social Media

In recent weeks, we have been dealing with friendship issues occurring outside of school on devices, e.g. WhatsApp, Tik-Tok etc. These apps are not designed for children and most come with a minimum age. I know that children want to be on them, because their friends are, but primary school aged children can get themselves into situations they are not old enough to deal with. If you allow your child to have a phone, please could I ask you to regularly monitor their posts / interactions. I attach a flyer with suggested parental control apps or please visit the Safer Internet website for a [guide for parents](#).

#### Sports Week:

Sports week will be from the 27<sup>th</sup> June to the 1<sup>st</sup> July. The children will need to wear their school PE kit everyday this week.

#### Sports Day

We are planning a separate Sports Day for Year 6 on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June and a Sports Day for Early Years – Year 5 on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June (weather dependent). We look forward to seeing you all then. Please see times below:

Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> June		
Year 6 1:30pm - 2:50pm	Nursery 9.30am – 10:15am	Reception: 10:30 – 1:30am	Years 1-5 1:30pm to 2:50pm



## **Summer Fair**

We are only weeks away from our Summer Fair on the **9th July**! The Friends committee are working hard to get things ready but they need parents and carers to volunteer their time on the day in order to make it a huge success. Please see the attached flyer and volunteer list.

## **Drop off and Pick up times:**

Last week, I included the reminder below regarding parent/carers driving and inappropriately stopping/parking on Newstead Road and surrounding estates. This week there was an incident involving one of our parents, where a local resident's drive was blocked and the police was called and a complaint was made to the school.

Please may I remind those of you driving:

- The speed limit is 20mph on many of the roads by the school to help us protect the children.
- Cars are being parked in appropriately, or stopping in the middle of the road, making it difficult for our children to cross safely
- Cars should not stop on the double yellow lines and zig zags to drop off / collect children.

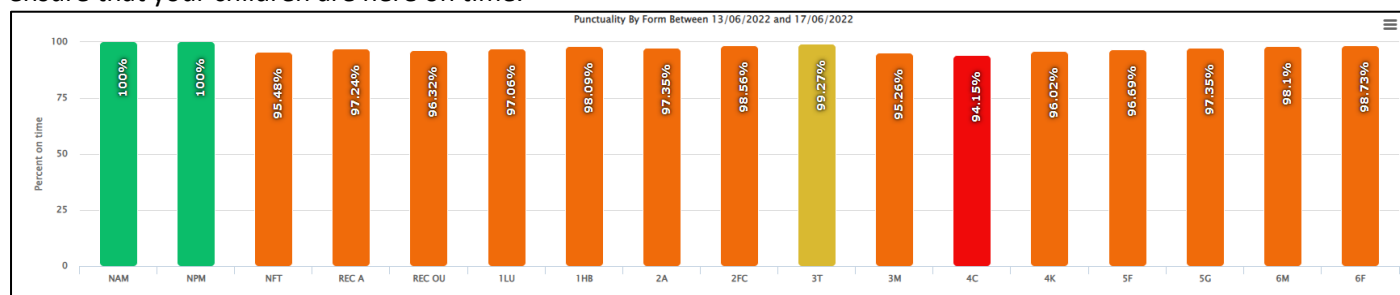
I know that this does not apply to everyone, but if it does, please be mindful at these times of the day.

## **ParentPay**

Please could everyone check on ParentPay to see if they have any outstanding payments due for trips/visits/clubs. As we near the end of this school year we would like to reconcile all the outstanding items that are still on ParentPay. Without these contributions, the school suffers a financial loss. If anyone is struggling to pay and would like to speak to me, please ask the office to arrange a meeting with me.

## **Punctuality:**

This week there has not been a great improvement in punctuality. The gates are open from 8:30am – 8:45am. Please ensure that your children are here on time.



This week's winner is 3T with 99.2%!

## **Summer Camps**

Please see the attached flyers.

## **Food Bank**

Please be reminded that the school's foodbank is open. If you would like to access it, please contact the school office. If you are able to donate to the foodbank, all donations will be greatly received, especially now after the holidays as stocks are looking a little low.

## **Wednesday Word**

Please see the link to this wonderful resource to share with your child, to support them in understanding the Mass Readings for the coming weekend. <https://www.swcps.lewisham.sch.uk/thewednesdaywordwebsite/>

## **Parent App:**

Most parents are using the app now, if any of you need any help or would like to download it, please contact the school.

## **Social Media:**

Just to remind you, follow us on:



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Thank you for taking the time to read the newsletter.

Claire Gillespie