

Elm Park "In Touch"



Newsletter 29: July 13th 2018

Head's Notes

What a busy and brilliant week we've had at school!

The UKS2/Y6 Play Performances were an absolute triumph and it was wonderful to see our children enjoying the fruits of all their labours as they revelled in the collaborative performances of Dragon Days. Every single member of the cast was tremendous – well done to all the children, parents and staff team members who were involved in this excellent production.

Yesterday's wonderful musical concert entertained everyone who saw and heard it, as the hall was full of children playing music through the afternoon. The sight of a 'big band' of ukulele players on stage was inspiring – well done to all children and thanks to Mrs Kidger (Music Leader) for the whole-class instrumental provision that she has put in place this year.

Our music at Elm Park is a very special element of our educational provision and Mrs Kidger is our guiding light in this area. Thank you Mrs Kidger!

Having had our violin and drum teachers performing with their students in these last weeks of term it has, I'm sure, inspired more of our pupils to consider taking up an instrument next year. Please speak to Mrs Kidger or the office for more information. *(NB Please see the new date for the Music Concert below).*

Congratulations to all pupils on their end of year reports, which parents should have received yesterday. Huge congratulations to our Year 6 pupils on their excellent 'final' Elm Park reports! You have been excellent role models this year and we wish you all the very best on the next part of your learning adventures. You are ready for all the fun and challenge of secondary school. Good luck Y6!

I'd like to say how wonderfully well the children are coping with the run of warm weather at school at this stage of a very long year. Whilst it is lovely to have the sunshine it can be draining and can lead to outbreaks of overtiredness and even some grumpiness. However, with only one more week left in the term, I am delighted to report that all the children are managing very well at school and being their usual lovely selves to each other. Well done everyone, nearly there!

Please Note: Early finish on 20th July..

After positive feedback last year, we will once again close early on the last day of term, after the family picnic. **This means that the school will close at 1:10pm for the summer holidays.**

NB The protocol for this will be that the children return to their classes for registration after the picnic, then they can be collected from their respective playgrounds (as normal routine for the end of the day).

Orders for sandwiches from Mrs Moore, must be in by the end of **Monday 16th July** at the very latest. (see menu below)

Coming Soon ... Key Dates

Next week's Lunch Menu – 16th – 20th July

Monday	Margherita pizza, macaroni cheese, sweet corn, fruit muffins
Tuesday	Beefburger/vegetable burger, baked beans, saute potatoes, oat biscuit and ice cream (chosen by Y6 – leavers lunch)
Wednesday	Roast pork/vegetable cottage pie, cauliflower/carrots, roast potatoes, fresh fruit salad
Thursday	Fish fingers/pasta bake, baked beans, chips, iced buns
Friday	Cheese or ham sandwiches (pre-booked), fruit, assorted biscuits with a drink (family picnic)

July:

17/07/2018 Music Concert at 6.00pm – NEW DATE

20/07/18 Leavers Service Morning 9.00 – 9.30pm

20/07/2018 Family Picnic

20/7/2018 School Closes at 1.10pm

September:

03/09/18 Inset Day

04/09/18 Inset Day

Children return to school on **Wednesday 5th September 2018**

2018-2019 Teacher Training Days:

- 03/09/18 Inset Day
- 04/09/18 Inset Day
- 07/01/19 Inset Day
- 25/02/19 Inset Day
- 24/05/19 Inset Day

Letters sent home this week:

- End of year Reports