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Dear Parents,

Dates for your Diary

Friday 18th March
Monday 21st March
Wednesday 23rd March
Friday 25th March
Thursday 7th April
Saturday 4th June

Red Nose Day – Red noses are on sale
Parents Consultation Evening 4pm to 6pm
Parents Consultation Evening 5pm to 7pm
School Disco
School Class Photographs
NCT Nearly New Sale at Watling

School Term Dates:

Friday 8th April
Wednesday 27th April
Friday 29th April
Monday 2nd May
Thursday 5th May (Polling Day)
Monday 30th May
Friday 1st July
Friday 22nd July

Break up for Easter
Summer term begins
Royal Wedding Bank Holiday
May Day Bank Holiday
School Closed for Training
Half term week begins
School closed for Training
Break up for the summer holidays

Parents Evening

Consultations will take place on Monday 21st March between 4pm and 6pm and again on Wednesday 23rd March between 5pm and 7pm. The sheets for signing appointment times will be in the dining area from Monday 14th March onwards. Those who have Special Needs appointments will be contacted by the class teachers to arrange a mutual appropriate time, outside these times.

Trips

At present the teachers are investigating venues for class trips. We are very conscious of the contribution we ask you to give especially this year with the increase of the fuel cost for the coaches. The cost of the trip is shared equally between all the children who are in that group. If the school does not receive **all** the money, we have a shortfall and sadly the school has always had a shortfall.

Unfortunately we cannot let this happen again so at parents evening your child's teacher will be able to inform you of the cost of the trip. We know that some of you will find it difficult to provide this amount so please come to see me for a confidential word with the possibility of setting up a savings account.

If the cost is not covered then we will have no other option but to cancel the trip. This would be a great shame but the school is unable to support further shortfalls.

Tissues

We would be grateful if parents could donate a box of tissues to school. Many schools ask for a box per term and this would be very helpful!

Red Nose Day

'How Red can you Be! There will be a mufti day to support Red Nose Day. Please bring in a minimum of £1.00 to support the above event.

Vouchers & Tokens

We are collecting Tesco and Sainsbury vouchers – please send them in as soon as possible, preferably without stapling them together! Nestle Box Tops for Books tokens are being collected please forward them to the school.

Nearly New Sale

NCT are having a nearly new sale at Watling 2.15pm – 3.30pm on Saturday 4th June.

£1.00 per adult (in aid of NCT Charity) - Admission at 2pm for NCT members (with membership card).
Sellers/items still required.

Items for sale: baby/toddler clothes, books, toys, maternity wear and much more.

For more info and to register please contact Leila or Silke – 07849 958201 or nnsdunstable@gmail.com

Reminders

May we remind you that long hair must be tied back and jewellery is not appropriate for school. Children should not wear necklaces or bracelets to school. The only earrings we allow are studs and children must be able to remove them themselves for PE etc.

PE Kit

Children must have a PE kit in school. The kit, which consists of a red T-shirt, black shorts and plimsolls, should be brought into school at the beginning of term and taken home at half term.

Fruit

Children may bring fruit in to eat at the morning break. This can be fresh or dried but please do not send in cereal bars or coated fruit as we are a Healthy School.

Warmer Weather

Now the weather is getting warmer, please make sure your child brings in a water bottle filled with water only.

Recycling

We would like to remind you about recycling in school, we are collecting textiles, ink cartridges and mobile phones. The more we collect the more money the school receives. Thank you to all those who have contributed.

Absences

Children's absences should be notified to the school by phone or letter as soon as possible. We have to record reasons for absence for Central Bedfordshire so please make sure we have this information.

Yours sincerely,

Shauna Dyke
Acting Headteacher

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