



## Calshot Residential Trip

It was wonderful to visit Calshot on Thursday and see the children skiing confidently (and falling over!!) down the dry-ski slopes. They were all having a fantastic time and have embraced all of the activities with huge amounts of enthusiasm and laughter. What really shone through was the support and encouragement which the children are giving to one another. Lots of stories to tell over the coming days.



## DIARY DATES

Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5 return from Calshot
Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Launch of the 'Mile a Day' initiative
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup> & Thur 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Lower School topic outcome events
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Assembly run by the NSPCC - 'Speak Out, Stay Safe'
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Finish for half term at 3:25pm
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Summer 2 term starts
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Leader Training for 30 Year 5 children (children will be invited to apply to be involved)
Tues 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5 & 6 NSPCC workshops
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Class photos
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> June	PTA Quiz night for parents Further information to follow
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> June	PTA Bags2schools collection
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Whole School Science Week
Tues 13 <sup>th</sup> June	RE conference at Cove School (for selected Year 5 & 6 children)
Thur 15 <sup>th</sup> June	Athletics tournament at Cove Senior School (for selected Year 5 & 6 children)
Week beginning 19 <sup>th</sup> June	Scooter Challenge Week Further details to follow
20 <sup>th</sup> & 21 <sup>st</sup> June	Salesian College Induction Days - Year 6
Thur 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Year 2 children visiting for KS1 to KS2 transition
22 <sup>nd</sup> , 28 <sup>th</sup> & 29 <sup>th</sup> June	The Wavell School Induction Visits - Year 6
Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> - Fri 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 French Residential Visit
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports' Day

## Well done Year 6!

This week has been a 'testing' week in Year 6 and we are extremely proud of the way that all of our children have risen to the challenge. SATs are not always easy or fun but the children have approached them with a positive mindset and have really worked hard to achieve the best that they can do - we can ask for nothing more. Well done Year 6!

## PTA Bags2school

The PTA have organised a charity bag collection, to raise funds for the school. Please save any unwanted clothing, shoes, hats, belts, bags and soft toys. The collection is Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June. Collection bags will be coming out at the beginning of that week.

## Bug Club Reading Competition

Many congratulations to Hana in Comet class. She has been selected as the child who has completed the greatest amount of reading on Bug Club. She will be bringing home her photograph voucher today. Congratulations also to the following children who won certificates for also completing lots of reading on Bug Club over the last month:

Merlin class: Libby

Raptor class: Lola

Tornado class: Inijal

Vulcan class: Cris

Hawk class: Eloise

Eagle class: Emily L

Concorde class: Amy

Hurricane class: Ruby

Lancaster class: Caitlin

Spitfire class: Anastasia

## Year 6 Secondary Induction Days

Now that SATs are over, there are lots of exciting activities to complete before the end of the year. In particular, we will be working hard to ensure that their transition to KS3 is as smooth as possible. The move to secondary school is a very exciting one but one that everyone needs to be prepared carefully for. Secondary schools organise Induction Days for the future Year 7's to experience lessons and activities in their new schools. To ensure that we know where all of our children are (the induction days are never all on the same days!) please would you let the school office know when your child is attending a visit to their secondary school.

## Keeping healthy in the summer

A reminder that PE kits and water bottles need to be in school every day so that the children can enjoy the warmer weather and keep fit and healthy whilst at school. PE days can change from week to week so children need to have the correct kit in school every day.

## School Netball Team

The school netball team has the following away matches:

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May - South Farnborough Juniors

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May - Tower Hill and St Mark's

Further details will be sent home in letters to the team.



## Words of the Fortnight!

To encourage our children to use a wider range of vocabulary, we have introduced a challenge for the children which we are hoping you are joining in with at home too. Every two weeks, a new word will be introduced in each class and the children will get rewards for using them in their writing or in conversation. Our new words are:

Lower School

# 'Establish'

Verb - to set up permanently

Year 5

# 'Analogy'

Noun - comparison showing that two things are similar in some ways

Year 6

# 'Eliminate'

Verb - completely get rid of something

How often can you use these words at home?

## School Uniform

Brendas have informed us that they have updated their website so that buying your school uniform should be even easier. Please use the link below for further information:

<https://www.brendas.co.uk/collections/cove-junior>

## Sainsbury's Vouchers

Please send in any Sainsbury's vouchers as soon as possible so that we can count them and use them to place an order. Thank you to everyone who has already collected so many to buy extra resources for our children to benefit from.

## Fidget Spinners

A large number of children have begun to bring fidget spinners into school to 'help them concentrate'. Unfortunately, they are actually more of a distraction in the classroom. We ask that the children do not bring toys into school as they can get lost or broken so please can the fidget spinners stay at home too.

We understand that some children do have concentration difficulties and arrangements are in place to support them in lessons. These have been agreed with parents, class teachers and our SENDco and should be continued as usual.

## NSPCC Cake Sale

Thank you so much for the large number of donated cakes for our cake sale last week. Your generosity is much appreciated. Thank you also to everyone who came to purchase cakes - we were able to raise £241.45 which will be presented to the NSPCC during our assembly later this month.

