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April 28th April

Dear Parents,

Class Assemblies

Wednesday 3 rd May at 10.45am	4RB		
Wednesday 10 th May at 10.45am	3LW	Thursday 11 th May 2.45pm	2LH
Wednesday 17 th May at 10.45am	5LO	Thursday 18 th May 2.45pm	2NT
Wednesday 24 th May at 10.45am	4KE/RK		
Wednesday 7 th June at 10.45am	6BH		

School Target Awards

For getting better at Speedy maths: Katie Myall 6JM, Joe Tyler RLB

For pushing themselves to do the best they can: Katie Reid 5LO, Halli Maycock 4RB, Joseph Thompson 3LW, Ben Horrocks 2LH, George La Fleur 2LH, Ethan Trevillian 2NT, Maisie Church 1BR, Rose Witham RLEB

For showing respect: Holly Rosewell 5TH, Katherine Moodie 1SH

For challenging themselves to learn new words: Finn Newman 4KE/RK, Sienna Emery 6BH, Henry Evans-Barlow 3AM/NR

Next Tuesday Bug Club

There will be no Bug Club after school next Tuesday (2nd May) as staff have an additional training session.

Y6 Maths Boosters

There will be no further Maths Y6 booster sessions after school as Monday is a bank holiday and Tuesday there is a staff meeting. Additional sessions will be held in school time if deemed necessary.

Y6 breakfast in SATS week

If any parents want their children to come for breakfast in SATs week and haven't yet sent the reply slip back to school, please could you do so early next week.

Reading Challenge

Please see the message below from Mr Harris

At Dunmow St Mary's Primary School we are committed to developing children's literacy skills to a high standard and as part of that to help them to become lovers of reading for life.

The more children read, the more they grow, so I have developed a Reading Challenge for each year group to support the range, variety and depth of the books and texts you use as a family at home.

The Challenge is not compulsory, though we hope as many families will take part and have lots of fun in doing so. The Challenge will begin at the start of the Summer Term and run to the week following half term. In the second summer term, the teachers and myself will review the work done by each child and award a Gold, Silver or Bronze award to each child taking part.

BRONZE AWARD (for completing 4 of the challenges)
 SILVER AWARD (for completing 8 of the challenges)
 GOLD AWARD (for completing 12 of the challenges)
 PLATINUM AWARD (for completing 16 of the challenges)

There is no requirement for what you might do to complete the challenge though the following are suggestions:

- filling in the Challenge form with the titles and authors of the books/texts read
- making a 'scrapbook' of photos/reviews/comments/artwork/stickers etc. which illustrate the activities you have done
- make a PowerPoint/film/slideshow (to email to school) with your photos and comments about the books

There will be a special assembly to celebrate the completion of the Reading Challenge with special awards given to a few readers in each year group who have shown dedicated commitment to the project during this time.

I hope you enjoy taking part.

Yours,

Ben Harris (English coordinator)

Planetarium

The planetarium was a fantastic experience for the children and they all really enjoyed it. A big thank you to Miss Oggelsby for organising this event.

Swimming

Thank you for your patience with swimming. We are working hard to resolve the boiler issues, however there will be no swimming next week. When we have worked out how we will make sure that every child can receive their swimming allocation and we will let you know accordingly.

Dance Club

We have an excellent dance club running after school on a Thursday. However, there are only three people attending. It would be a shame to cancel this club so please encourage any of your children who you think may enjoy this to attend.

Bank Holiday

Monday 1st May is a bank holiday and school will not be open on that day.

Dates for your diary

May 8th – 11th Y6 SATs – please make sure all Y6 children are in school on these days.

May 15th – 19th 6JM School Journey

May 22nd – 26th 6BH School Journey

May 29th – June 2nd Half term holiday

Tuesday 13th June Sports Day

Saturday 24th June PTA Summer Fete

Friday 30th June and Monday 3rd July Non Pupil Days

Yours sincerely

Clare Griffiths