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Newsletter - Week beginning March 11th 2024

Dear families,

It is starting to feel like Spring! I know for many of us, this is a very welcome turn as the flowers start to bloom and the sky starts to turn blue!

For our keen gardeners at North Elmham, we have started turning our attention towards the garden. A small group of Whales and Lions children have worked painfully hard to clear the area of weeds. Could I ask that those children bring wellies in to school daily so the garden stays outside and not in the classroom!

Could I ask our wonderful community for any spare gardening tools if you have any you could donate to us? We are in desperate need of gloves and trowels (or even a spade of two!) All donations hugely appreciated.

Unfortunately I need to mention the parking at Stibbard School again. Please **DO NOT** park on the yellow zigzags on the road; we had a near miss this week when a child ran in front of the bus. And there are still some parents parking in the staff spaces in the car park. Please be considerate and park in the playground at the beginning and end of the day, and please remind anyone else who may collect your child from school. Thank you.

Our Y6 pupils are working really hard at the moment to prepare for their first formal tests (Key Stage Two SATs) which are fast approaching – week beginning: 13th May) The children are tested in national exam conditions on reading, maths and grammar, punctuation and spelling. Children can feel anxious about these and we do our hardest as a school community to look after our Y6's at this time of year. We have parent meetings in the final week of this term for our Y6 families to find out exactly what to expect.

Thank you for all of you who joined us for parent teacher meetings last week. It was wonderful to see so many of you and celebrate your wonderful children.

Victoria McConnell

DIARY DATES

Term dates - Spring term 4th January – 27th March.

(Half term 19th 23rd February)

Easter holiday: 28th March – 12th April.

Summer Term 15th April – 19th July

(Half term 27th – 31st May)

Events -

Y6 SATs meeting (after school in classroom) Monday 25th March, North Elmham. Tuesday 26th March, All Saints.

Y6 SATs week wb: 13th May

Sports Day 20th June (North Elmham) 21st June (All Saints)

(Reserve Sports days 27th/28th June)

School end of year reports home 5th July.