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Newsletter - Week beginning May 6th 2024

Dear families,

How wonderful is it to finally see the sun? With this beautiful weather, can I remind parents to ensure children come in protected against the rays wearing a high SPF. Sun hats are also highly recommended as well as plenty of water.

The Friends of both schools provide sun cream in every class for children to 'top up' ahead of going outside at break, lunch and for PE but children apply this to themselves so do please make sure you have thoroughly applied in the morning too. Children across the federation are allowed to bring in their own cream but will need to apply it themselves during the day.

ARBOR

Please could I remind all parents/carers who have not yet downloaded the Arbor App to do so; I know many of you are already using the App to order and pay for school lunches. We will be using the App more next half term to communicate with you, and from 1st June **ALL** payments to the school will need to be made via the App. This will include payments for any class visits we will be arranging for the last half term of the year. If you have any difficulties installing the App please let us know and we will try to resolve these for you.

Next week is Key Stage 2 SATs for Y6. I attach some further information on the next page

We wish them well and just ask they try their best. We are proud of each and every one of them. All children and staff have a slightly altered week next week. We ask everyone to be very quiet in school while the tests are happening and sometimes break is a few minutes earlier or later. For the SATs tests, Carol Jeary will be at All Saints Stibbard for the week to oversee the administration of the tests and myself and Alie Otty will be at North Elmham.

The following week will be our final week of this half term and the Y3 and 4's from the federation will be going to Horstead for a residential visit. I hope the sun stays for them.

School returns after half term on June 3rd.

Victoria McConnell

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 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 (except Y6)



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SATs:

What are SATs?

SATs are national curriculum tests that measure children's academic development. SATs are authored and distributed to schools by the STA (Standards and testing agency).

In Y6 the children will sit their first externally marked tests which are sat in test conditions.

The children are tested on English grammar, punctuation and spelling. English reading and Maths. English writing is teacher assessed.

We know some of our year 6 pupils are feeling anxious. All we ask of them is that they do their best!

Monday 13 th May	Tuesday 14 th May	Wednesday 15 th May	Thursday 16 th May
9.15 English grammar and punctuation (45 mins)	9.15 English reading (1h)	9.15 Maths 1 (30 mins)	9.15 Maths 3 (45 mins)
10.30 English Spelling (30 mins)		10.30 Maths 2 (45 mins)	

For more information on SATs:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/key-stage-1-and-2-national-curriculum-tests-information-for-parentsinformation-for-parents>