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#### Hello everyone

We break up today for our **TWO WEEK Easter holidays**. On behalf of the school Governors, I would like to share our sincere thanks to all the children and staff who have worked incredibly hard this term, and to the parents and carers for their continued support. We will be reinforcing our high expectations about attendance and punctuality in the Summer Term, and are looking forward to celebrating the children's efforts to be in school every day and on time-the hard work to achieve a Golden Ticket in the Summer Term (and be rewarded with a fun day out!) starts in earnest after the holidays! The children return to school after the two week holiday on Tuesday 9th April from the usual time of 8.30am, and no later than 8.45am!

A BIG thank you to everyone for helping us to raise £141.92 for Comic Relief. We really appreciate your support in helping others.

Also, we are really excited to be exploring the books written by the author Hanna Alkaf next term. She is our 'Author of the Month' for April! Please find out more about her further on in this newsletter...

And what a way to end this term! Year 5 put on a magnificent performance during their Easter Assembly today! All the hard work and effort put in by the children and staff certainly paid off, and we were very impressed by their confidence and creativity. Thank you and well done Year 5, you should be very proud!

Have a great holiday and stay safe everyone!

**Cathy Grace, Headteacher** 

#### March 22nd is World Water Day.

We all know that water is vital for everyone in their daily lives across the world, and back in 2015 the world committed to working together to make sure that everyone has access to safe, clean water and good sanitation. This was Sustainable Development Goal 6.

But there is still much work to be done with over 2 billion people drinking unsafe water. An important aim of World Water Day is to inspire everyone to take action and make the necessary changes so that the right to clean water can be achieved by 2030 for everyone.

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## Author of the Month 'April'

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Hanna Alkaf is an author from Malaysia . Her novels are mainly written for young adults. Hanna has lived in Malaysia her entire life except for the six years she spent studying and working in Chicago, USA. She currently lives near Kuala Lumpur with her husband and two children.

Hanna's work has appeared in the Malaysian versions of magazines such as Marie Claire, Shape, Female, and Her World.

One of her most famous books is called ' The Weight of our Sky' and it won the Freeman Award for Young Adult/High School Literature. The Girl and the Ghost book was selected for a number of awards:

A Kirkus Prize 2020 finalist •A Junior Library Guild selection

•A Kids Indie Next List Fall 2020 pick

•Kirkus Reviews Best MG of 2020

•A CCBC Choices 2021 selection

•Bank Street Best Children's Books of the Year 2021 selection



#### School Attendance



#### **Class Attendance**

Well done to class **3SQ** and **3GJ** who achieved our school attendance target of 97% and above for the last week.

Our school attendance last week was 92.1%

#### **ACADEMIC YEAR 2024**

**Spring Term 2 Ends** 

Friday 22nd March 2024



Easter Holidays

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2024 to Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Summer Term 1

**Teacher Training Day: Monday 8th April 2024** 

School opens for all pupils:

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May Election Day School closed for pupils

#### Half Term Holidays

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2024 to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024

Summer Term 2

Monday 3rd June 2024

#### School Meals

The new Summer menu will be introduced on Tuesday 9th April, copies of the new menus were emailed to parents earlier this week and are available to view on the website under the school meals tab.

Changing from dinners to sandwiches? or vice-versa? Please make this change at the start of each term and not mid term. We would be very grateful if you could please call the office at the beginning of the term if you wish to change your child's dinner preference. Thank you



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#### **PE TIMETABLE**

Monday 8th April

**Teacher Training Day** 

**Tuesday 9th April** 

Year 3

Wednesday 10th April

Year 4

**Thursday 11th April** Year 6

Swimming for Class 4TW

Friday 12th April

Swimming for class 4NG

### **Parent Pay**

All Dinner, Breakfast and Afterschool club payments must be paid at the start of each week.

We will be sending payment reminders via text, letter and email to those parents who need a gentle reminder.

Payments can be made via parent pay or cash if you are not able to use parent pay.

Dinner money is £2.50 per day and £12.50 per week. Breakfast Club is £2.50 per day and £1.00 for any siblings.

After school club is £4.00 per day and £2.00 for any siblings.

A late pickup charge (£4) is made for any pupils picked up after 4pm.

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