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Friday July 5<sup>th</sup> 2019

Dear Parents,

## Summer Fayre

A huge **THANK YOU** to the PTA and all the helpers for a wonderful event last Saturday! We will let you know the final figure raised as soon as we can. Thank you for your support.

Winners of the tug of war this year was CHISWICK! Well done to you!

Well done to Stanlake for winning the games card with 39 being completed by them! Non-uniform day for them on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July.

Stanlake – 39, Loddon – 33, Chiswick – 31, Penn - 27

## Hayling Island – Year Six trip

What a super week our Year 6s have had. I was lucky enough to visit them on Wednesday afternoon and see for myself the super atmosphere they were all enjoying. The children were showing bravery and resilience, creativity and sportsmanship with a big dash of good humour and laughter.

A HUGE thank you to the staff for making this a very memorable week for the children, on call 24/7 – what a hard-working, big hearted group of people!

## Hampton Court

On Monday we went to Hampton Court Flower Show, it was great fun. We ate ice cream and went pond dipping. We saw Chris Packham and Raymond Blanc who were really famous, Chris Packham was really shy. At one point of the day we also got filmed. There were forty other schools, we went on the same coach as Willowbank. In groups we did a trail to find giant fruit sculptures. We saw how people have recycled ocean plastic to make different objects. I really enjoyed myself and learnt there are a lot of different flowers I didn't know about. (Ruth)

I enjoyed going around Hampton Court and all the ice cream. (Cairan)

An enormous thank you to Mrs Porter for giving our little group the chance to attend such a prestigious occasion.

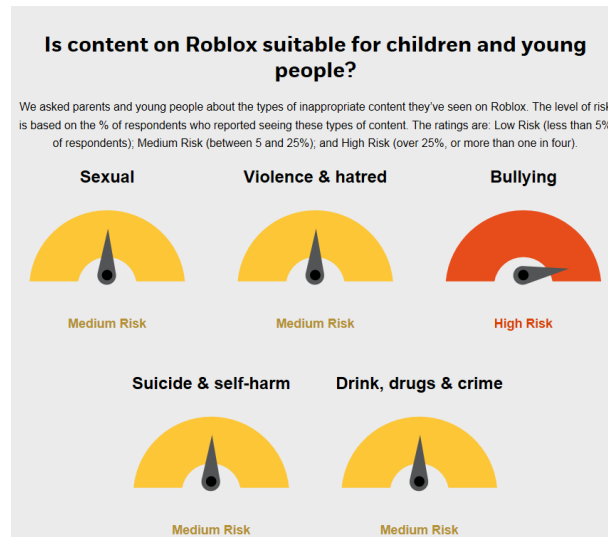


## Games with online chat facilities

Have you checked in recently if your child is using any games that have online chat facilities?

There are quite a few now that are aimed at junior aged children, for example Roblox.

While Roblox has a Pegi rating of 7+, on [Net Aware](#), it comes up with a high risk of bullying because of the chat facility.



You can check out most games in this way. <https://www.net-aware.org.uk/networks/roblox/>

## Top Tips for Children being online

- We mentioned [Net Aware](#) on a newsletter back in May – we highly recommend all parents check this out before you download any game or app onto any device. It gives these helpful visuals about risks, information about Pegi ratings, as well as parent and child views.
- All online devices to remain in communal rooms, like the kitchen or the living room – not be taken to children's bedrooms where you cannot supervise.
- Be aware the children are very sophisticated in their ability to work around constraints set up by the games – this doesn't mean that they are doing anything unsuitable, but other users could be. Are you helping and supporting your child by using the **"Be Internet Legends"** rules that we teach in school? – *see attached to today's newsletter*
- Talk to your child about their online time. Check in frequently – what are they doing online? Who are they talking to? Are they remembering the **"Be Internet Legends"** rules that are taught in school?
- Consider consequences for unkind/unsafe behaviours – having a ban of equipment or doing something kind for the injured party or someone in your family?
- Limit the time children spend online.

## Buddy visit

I loved our buddy yesterday, seeing our very responsible Year 5s showing round our keen and excited Year 2s. Each Year 2 child received a special book made by their older buddy – something to be treasured and

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enjoyed for years to come. Thank you Year 5s for your work on these. It was lovely to be at the Junior School and be part of the children's transition into their new school.

### **Send My Friend to School**

On Thursday the Year 2s joined us for our Send My Friend to School Assembly. We have taken part in this campaign for several years with the hope that we are making a difference to ensure all children around the world have access to education.

### **Year 3**

On Tuesday, Year 3 are looking forward to making smoothies as part of our Design and Technology. The children know what ingredients to bring.

### **Bracknell Primary Schools Swimming Gala**

Some of our children are representing the School in Bracknell this afternoon – good luck to all those taking part!

### **Wokingham District Sports**

A fabulous result for our athletics team - we are thrilled! Our boys won the boys trophy and our girls narrowly missed second place by one point. Overall our team was placed second in the district. Achievements of the day: we had an individual winner in the year 3/4 boys sprint, our year 3/4 boys won the relay, we had a boys ball throw winner, we had 2nd places in year 5/6 girls sprint and year 5/6 boys sprint, we came 2nd in the girls long jump, we came 2nd in the boys 600m, our mixed relay team came 2nd and there were lots of individual achievements and finalists.

Thank you to everyone for their support on the day. And a big thank you to Mrs Stockdale for all your hard work.

### **Tucasi Accounts to be clear by the end of the Year**

We only have 10 school dinners left this term! Please ensure your Tucasi accounts are clear before the holidays. The school becomes liable for any outstanding accounts which means we would have to use money that should be spent on pupil learning to pay for lunches. Thank you!

### **Sports afternoon – Monday, July 8<sup>th</sup>**

On Monday afternoon, Sports Day will start at 1:30pm. The Loddon Hall gates will open at 1:25pm. Children should have their PE kit and trainers in school, as well as a water bottle, sunhat and suncream. All parents are welcome and programmes will be available. Photographs can be taken but they are for personal use only and should not be shared on social media.

### **Enterprise Day**

On Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July, Year 6 will be running their annual Enterprise Day. They have been learning about business plans (including market research, costs and profit margins!) and planned a range of stalls with games and refreshments to entertain the rest of the school. Children are encouraged to bring in a small amount of money (around £2) to spend on the stalls. Please can children bring in coins rather than notes. Prices range from 20p to 50p and there are 13 stalls for children to potentially enjoy. The money made by Year 6 will be donated to a local charity.

### **New Year 3 parents**

Please remember to return completed information (from the starter packs) for your child starting in September (either to the Infant or Junior school reception). Thank you!

New Year 3 pupils will be issued with a lunch account code in September. Lunches (£2.05) can be ordered in the first week of term, until accounts have been credited.

The new menu is attached.

### **Parent Survey – a big thank you!**

Thank you to all the parents who have completed the surveys – our governors are studying it now and will feedback before the end of term.

### **Clubs for the Autumn Term 2019 – see below**

Please see the website for registration forms and contact details (under newsletters). All clubs start in the second week of term. Please note Archery and Lego are for the first half term.

Please apply online for Ninjas- [www.nutritionalninjas.co.uk](http://www.nutritionalninjas.co.uk) and Archery- [www.facevents.com](http://www.facevents.com)

### **Ice Pops**

Each year group will have a day they can buy their ice pops. These will be on sale at lunch time from 1:00pm. Ice pops will cost 20p.

- Monday - Year 6
- Tuesday - Year 5
- Wednesday - Year 4
- Thursday - Year 3

### **PTA AGM and Constitution**

Polehampton Junior School's PTA AGM will be held at 8pm on Tuesday 16 July in the Jubilee Room. All four committee members are standing down at this meeting, for the PTA to continue we need new people to take on the roles of Chair, Treasurer and Secretary.

The agenda is attached and the meeting is open to all parents and carers of children at PJS. The AGM is when, among other things, the new committee for 2019/2020 will be voted in, and in this instance, when a new constitution will be proposed. If you'd like to see the proposed constitution, please see the attached document. You can also find hard copies at the school's reception. We hope to see as many of you there as can make it. If you want to be involved in the PTA, please come along and find out more!

### **Wokingham Borough Libraries Newsletter July 2019**

<https://wp.me/p5mHbU-3Q1>

### **Lost Birth Certificate**

Have you lost a birth certificate? If so, please contact the school office.

### **Polehampton Breakfast and After School Club Vacancies**

We are looking for committed and enthusiastic individuals to join our Breakfast and/or After School Club team.

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Are you a morning person, do you know someone who has a spare hour in the mornings or maybe you would like to get paid while your child has breakfast with us?

Morning Hours 7.50am – 8.50am Monday – Friday (or 2/3 days) Term time only. Helping with breakfast and walking infants to school.

Afternoon Hours 3.15pm-18.00pm Hours/days negotiable

For further information, job description and application form,

Please contact S Benson email - [polehamptonasc@googlemail.com](mailto:polehamptonasc@googlemail.com)

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Best Wishes

Helen Ball

Executive Headteacher

Diary Dates – Summer 2019		
Next week's event		
New or amended dates		
Date	Event	Timing/venue
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day	1:30pm
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Non-uniform day for Stanlake</b>	All day
	Inter-schools swimming gala at PJS (not whole school event)	1.30pm
Wed 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Enterprise afternoon Piggott School meeting for parents	Afternoon eve
Thurs 11 <sup>th</sup> July	INTECH – Year 5 visit to Winchester Science Centre Year 6 Leavers' disco	Day 7.00-9.00pm
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Changeover morning Reports out	am
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Prayer Journey Drop-in sessions (Years 3/4/5)	Am 3.45-5.00pm
Tues 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Church service St. Mary's Church – morning	9.30am
	Year 6 Dress Rehearsal	1.45pm
	Drop-in sessions (Year 6 only)	3.45-5.00pm
	<b>PTA AGM</b>	20.00
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Show	7.00pm
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Graduation Assembly	9.00am
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of summer term – non-uniform day, no donations. No After School Club today	School closes at 2.00pm
31 <sup>st</sup> July	Free school uniform delivery to school on 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	

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Clubs for Autumn Term				
Day	Event	Date	Time	Where
Monday	Think Tank	16.9.19-9.12.19 12 wks	3.30- 4.30pm	Jubilee Class
Tuesday	Judo	17.9.19-10.12.19 12 wks	8.00- 8.45am	Hall
	Ninjas Cookery	17.9.19-26.11.19 10 wks	3.30- 4.30pm	Jubilee Class
Wednesday	Tennis	11.9.19-11.12.19 13 wks	8.00- 8.45am	
	Sewing	11.9.19-4.12.19 12 wks	3.30 – 4.45pm	Jubilee Class
	Archery	11.9.19-23.10.19 7wks	3.30- 4.30pm	Playground
Thursday	Tennis	12.9.19-12.12.19 13 wks	8.00- 8.45am	
	Lego	12.9.19-24.10.19 7 wks	3.30- 4.20pm	Jubilee Class
Friday				

