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Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2017

Dear Parents and Carers

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1. Welcome Back

A very warm welcome to the start of a new school year. I hope you had a lovely summer. We are looking forward to an exciting year ahead.

2. Curriculum Letters

Curriculum letters will be sent home next Friday (15<sup>th</sup>). Please read them carefully as they do contain the details for your child's class and how you can support them with their learning.

3. Dates of Key Events

Below are the dates of most of the key school events and meetings this academic year.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event and Time</u>
28th September	Meeting for Year 6 and Year 4 parents re the residential visits (7pm for Year 4, 7.30pm for Year 6)
9 <sup>th</sup> October	INSET Day – SCHOOL CLOSED
11 <sup>th</sup> October	School Photographer
18 <sup>th</sup> October	Open Morning 9.00am - 10.00am
7 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents' Evening (Year 1 – Year 5) 4.30pm - 7.00pm
9 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents' Evening (Year 1 – Year 5) 3.30pm – 6.00pm
12 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 1 Nativity -2.00pm
13 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 1 Nativity - 6.30pm
19 <sup>th</sup> February	INSET Day (School Closed)
13 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents' Evening (Year 1 – Year 5) 4.30pm - 7.00pm
15 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents' Evening (Year 1 – Year 5) 3.30pm - 6.00pm
27 <sup>th</sup> March	Spring Concert (Amey Theatre) 7.00pm
8 <sup>th</sup> – 11 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 4 Residential
3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Meeting for Year 6 parents re end of year assessments - 7.00pm
4 <sup>th</sup> June	INSET Day (School Closed)
18 <sup>th</sup> – 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Year 6 Residential
10 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Musical Production – 1.45pm

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11 <sup>th</sup> and 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Musical Production - 7pm
17 <sup>th</sup> July	Open Evening 6.00pm – 7.30pm
18 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day: Key Stage 2 am, Key Stage 1 pm
23 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Event – 9.15am

You will notice that the parents' evenings are for parents of Year 1 - Year 5 children. Meetings with parents for children in Reception will be organised by a sign up sheet outside the classroom. They will take place during the w/b 6<sup>th</sup> November and w/b 12<sup>th</sup> March. Year 6 appointments will be during the day to allow more time and will follow a model similar to secondary school. These will take place the week beginning 6<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup> November, and 5<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> March. Letters will be sent later in the year to explain how to book appointments.

#### 4. Class Assemblies

Each class takes two assemblies each academic year (apart from Year 6 who will take part in a musical production). These are mainly on Wednesdays this year, but there are a few on Thursdays to enable us to fit them all in. All assemblies start at 9am in the Upper School Hall and last for around 15 minutes. Please make every effort to attend your child's assembly. The dates are set out below:

Date	Class
Sept 27th	14
Oct 4th	13
Oct 5 <sup>th</sup> (Thurs)	15
Nov 8th	11
Nov 15th	12
Nov 22 <sup>nd</sup>	6
Nov 29 <sup>th</sup>	5
Jan 17 <sup>th</sup>	7
Jan 24th	8
Jan 31 <sup>st</sup>	10
Feb 7 <sup>th</sup>	9
Feb 28 <sup>th</sup>	4
March 1 <sup>st</sup> (Thurs)	3
March 7 <sup>th</sup>	1
March 8 <sup>th</sup> (Thurs)	2

Date	Class
March 14 <sup>th</sup>	5
March 15 <sup>th</sup> (Thurs)	6
March 21 <sup>st</sup>	7
March 22 <sup>nd</sup> (Thurs)	8
April 25 <sup>th</sup>	11
April 26 <sup>th</sup> (Thurs)	12
May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	4
May 3 <sup>rd</sup>	3
May 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Y4 Stone Farm
June 13 <sup>th</sup>	2
June 14 <sup>th</sup> (Thurs)	1

#### 5. Communication

I will send newsletters through the year highlighting particular aspects and activities of our school life. If you have a query or concern regarding your child's work in the classroom, or a question about the day to day routines in the class, please have a word with your child's teacher after school, or make an appointment if it is likely to be more than a minute or two. If you still have concerns after speaking to the teacher, or your question is more about teaching and learning policy within the class, please speak to the appropriate team leader for your child's year group. For the Nursery and Reception classes that is Miss Head, for Year 1/2 Mrs Barker, for Year 3/4 Dr Strange, and for Year 5/6 Mrs Ross.

If your question is more about a whole school issue, please get in touch with Mr Kendell (Deputy Head), or myself. Appointments with me can be made through my PA Mrs Law.

([tina.law@dunmore.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:tina.law@dunmore.oxon.sch.uk)). You can also email either of us directly if an appointment isn't necessary ([head.3861@dunmore.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:head.3861@dunmore.oxon.sch.uk) or [davidkendell@dunmore.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:davidkendell@dunmore.oxon.sch.uk).)

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6. Parentmail

If you received a paper copy of this letter, why not sign up for Parentmail and receive communication from the school electronically? More information from Mrs Franks in the school office.

7. School Lunches

A reminder that all Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils are entitled to a free hot lunch each day. You don't even need to tell us in advance, as long as your child knows at the start of each day whether he/she is having a school lunch or their own packed lunch. This year roast dinners will be on Thursdays, please make a note of this as it's always a very popular day. Costs for school lunches are below:

**Autumn term**

**Daily**

Autumn 1            £69.30 (33 days @ £2.10)  
Autumn 2            £77.70 (37 days @ £2.10)  
Autumn term        £147.00 (70 days @ £2.10)

**Fridays Only**

£14.70 (7 days @ £2.10)  
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£29.40 (14 days @ 2.10)

8. Term Dates

A reminder of term dates for this academic year is below. Please make every effort to ensure your child attends school as much as possible. Whole school attendance last year was 96.4% and we need to work together to ensure that this increases. Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely



**Mr S J Bartholomew**  
**Headteacher**

**Dunmore Primary School Term and Holiday Dates for 2017-2018**

	<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>OCTOBER</b>	<b>NOVEMBER</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26
<b>Monday</b>	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27
<b>Tuesday</b>	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28
<b>Wednesday</b>	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29
<b>Thursday</b>	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30
<b>Friday</b>	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24
<b>Saturday</b>	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25
	<b>DECEMBER</b>	<b>JANUARY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25
<b>Monday</b>	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26
<b>Tuesday</b>	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27
<b>Wednesday</b>	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28
<b>Thursday</b>	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22
<b>Friday</b>	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23
<b>Saturday</b>	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24
	<b>MARCH</b>	<b>APRIL</b>	<b>MAY</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27
<b>Monday</b>	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28
<b>Tuesday</b>	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29
<b>Wednesday</b>	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30
<b>Thursday</b>	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31
<b>Friday</b>	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25
<b>Saturday</b>	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26
	<b>JUNE</b>	<b>JULY</b>	<b>AUGUST</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26
<b>Monday</b>	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27
<b>Tuesday</b>	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28
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■ Bank Holiday

■ INSET days