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Summer Newsletter – Year 1

Key Dates for your Diary

22nd April – Summer 1 Term Begins

8th May – VE Day Drama Workshop

9th May – VE Day

20th May – Library Visit

22nd May – Toothbrushing Workshop

29th May – FS/KS1 Sports Day

29th May – Last day of Summer 1 term

9th June – Summer 2 begins

10th June – Class Photo Day

17th June – Jurby Transport Museum Trip

4th July – Transition Day

8th July – Reports released

18th July – End of School Year

Welcome Back!

We hope you had a fantastic Easter break and are ready for our final term of the year!

There has been a small change to our team this term and we are delighted to welcome Miss Fargher, who will be supporting both classes. The children have already made her feel very welcome. The rest of our team remains the same: Miss Diack (Owl Class and KS1 Phase Leader), and Mrs Smith and Miss Cubbon (Panda Class). Mrs Smith will be teaching Monday and Tuesday, and Miss Cubbon will be teaching Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Please ensure your child brings their reading book and reading record to school every day. Books are changed once a week, but children may also change them on other days if needed. We encourage you to read a variety of texts at home with your child, alongside their school reading books.

To help keep your child hydrated and energized throughout the day, please provide a named water bottle and a healthy snack for mid-morning. No nut products are allowed due to allergies in school and ideally the snack provided should be fruit or vegetables where possible. Snacks are eaten outside, so please be mindful when packing them.



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PE Kits

The Owls will have PE lessons on Tuesday and Friday, and the Pandas on Monday and Wednesday. Your child will need both an indoor and an outdoor PE kit in school, which will be sent home with them at the end of each half term. Long hair needs to be tied up and earrings need to be removed before they come to school.

Outdoor Learning

We've had so much fun during our outdoor learning sessions this year, and we're excited to continue them this term! Every Thursday, Year 1 need to come into school wearing clothes suitable for outdoor activities that can get muddy! Please ensure they also have a change of shoes. No school uniform is needed on a Thursday for Year 1.

Sports Day

Sports Day will take place on Thursday 29th May. In the morning, the children will be taking part in different activities within their School House Teams, led by members of staff, focusing on teamwork and developing their PE skills. In the afternoon, parents and guardians are invited to join us in celebrating the children's courage and resilience during their sports day races. More information will follow.

Home Learning

There will be Maths and Phonics activities uploaded weekly onto 'Teams'. Additional activities and links will also be available for anyone who would like to complete extra learning at home. If anyone is unsure of their Teams login, please let us know.

There will also be optional 'Mathletics' tasks set, which will support the in class learning that has taken place. Children's Mathletics logins (where permission has been given on Arbor) will be attached to children's reading records.

Phonics Learning Logs will be sent home every Friday. They will contain the codes and tricky words which the children have been learning during the week. Please practise these at home with your child and return the Learning Log to school on a Thursday.



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British Isles (Summer 1 focus)

In Summer 1 we will be learning about the British Isles and Our Place in the World. The children will have the opportunity to develop their map skills, explore the countries that make up the British Isles, and compare different locations in terms of their geography, landmarks and features. We're looking forward to some excited learning and discussions as we help the children build a better understanding of the world around them.

Travel and Transport (Summer 2 focus)

After TT we will bring our next exciting topic: Travel and Transport. The children will explore a wide range of transport types, including modern and historical modes of transport, and reflect on how travel has changed over time. They'll be encouraged to share their own experiences and imagine what life was like before modern transport. As part of this topic, we're thrilled to be visiting Jurby Transport Museum on Tuesday 17th June. This will be a fantastic opportunity for the children to see historical vehicles up close and bring their learning to life. More details about the trip will follow soon!

If you have any information or resources which you think could be useful for either of the above themes, please do let us know!

Library Trip

We will be visiting Onchan Library on Tuesday 20th May. Our focus will be the British Isles and we are sure that the children will love this visit as they have the others! After TT we will also visit Onchan Library with a focus around Travel and Transport. More information will follow.

Home-School Communications

If you have any queries or need to record absences, please email the school office at onchanEnquiries@sch.im and they will pass on any relevant information. If you require a more in-depth chat, please see your class teacher to arrange an appointment suitable for all.

If you have any questions, please just ask.

Miss Diack, Mrs Smith, Miss Cubbon and Miss Fargher