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Dear Parents,

Wow! What a scorching finish to our summer term; we did break a record with the highest temperature ever recorded in this heatwave! A big thank you to everybody



You will be aware that we work very closely with our partner school, St. Michael's Infant School in Mickleham, and wanted to share the good news that following an Ofsted inspection, they were recently judged as a **good school**. There were many positive aspects that were noted in the report including a, 'strong, caring and nurturing ethos', 'a well organised and ambitious curriculum' and high expectations of pupils. Inspectors observed thoughtful and strong leadership at all levels that has a positive effect on pupil development and staff workload. They also acknowledged the work that has been done to plan and organise their curriculum so that it is accessible and meaningful for **ALL** children. One pupil summed up the school by saying, '**Everyone here has a kind heart.**' We are really pleased for them and thrilled that many of the practices and the ethos that is mirrored across both schools were recognised in the inspection. If you would like to read the report in full please visit:

[50186430 \(ofsted.gov.uk\)](https://www.ofsted.gov.uk/50186430)

INSET days –Thursday 21 July (Platinum Jubilee) & Friday 22 July

INSET Days 2022/23:

1st September 2022
2nd September 2022
21st October 2022
17th April 2023
21st July 2023

Have a wonderful summer break!

Paula Bliss (Headteacher)

Our value this half-term is Hope.

Romans 15:13



Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy

We are hopeful for ourselves and others.

for managing the extraordinary conditions. Our hope is that the children will remember it as a fun time when they got to splash about at school like never before!

We managed to hold our hottest ever Leaver's Service and were wowed by the energy and talents of Owls Class. We are very proud of each and every one of them. We will miss them dearly, but know that our leaders are ready to move on and grow and learn in their

next schools.

Today is a little cooler but we are pleased to still be enjoying a bright day and looking forward to the ice cream van. Thank you FONS for organising this again for us, it is a real treat!

Thank you so much for all of your end of year cards, messages and gifts. We really appreciate your generosity and it is always a real pleasure to receive such lovely comments and messages. Naturally at the end of each school year it is appropriate for us to take the time to reflect and ask our parents to help us do this by completing a short questionnaire. We would be very grateful if you would be able to take the time to complete this on-line form within the next couple of days using the link or QR code below:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=X_nFDkHor0CveZDZWgZ5BQ-NOMQ_P25LnpwR3Rilo0ZUN0RORU80NEdEMeG0NFMzRetXR081Q1Na0C4u

Love & Peace

Trust & Thankfulness

Forgiveness & Hope

Diary Dates Autumn 2022

01.09.22	INSET DAY
02.09.22	INSET DAY
05.09.22	Back to School (Yr 1 and Yr 2)
22.09.22	8.50 a.m. Reading café – whole school
28.09.22	6.00 p.m. Curriculum Evening (Whole School) (possible FONS AGM, tbc)
30.9.22	MacMillan Coffee Afternoon 3.10 p.m. School Hall
18.10.22	Fantastic Fred Experience a.m. Whole School travelling NHS funded show about mental health
20.10.22	2.00 p.m. Harvest Festival Service in St. Peter's Church (tbc)
21.10.22	INSET DAY
24.10.22	Half Term Week
31.10.22	Back to school
09.11.22	Meet the Teacher: Parent Consultations (3.30 p.m.- 6.00 p.m.)
16.11.22	Meet the Teacher: Parent Consultations (5.30 p.m. – 8.00 p.m)
25.11.22	Hoops to go home
02.12.22	Hoops up in Hall
03.12.22	School Xmas Fayre (tbc)
05.12.22	Dress rehearsal for Christmas Performance
06.12.22	10.00 a.m. Christmas performance in school hall
07.12.22	10.00 a.m. Christmas performance in school hall
09.12.22	Nasal Flu immunisation
09.12.22	Christmas Jumper Day
15.12.22	6.00 p.m School Christingle Family Service at St. Peter's Church, everybody welcome (tbc)
16.12.22	Last day of school, break up for Christmas, 2.00 p.m. finish