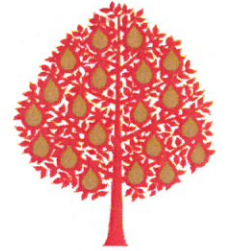


*'Be safe, be kind.
Listen and think a lot.
Be your best!'*



The Perryfield Post

A long hot summer.....

The long summer holidays are just around the corner. The children (and staff) will all need a break from school routines. I really hope the sun shines so that you can make the most of family time together.

This week the weather has been particularly hot and I would like to reassure you that we are keeping the children in the shade, wearing their hats and filling up their water bottles. Yesterday we came in early from lunch to cool down with a story.

We do however have lots of learning still to do in school before the holidays.

I would just like to mention how important it is for your child to continue to do a little writing and reading in the holidays. Six weeks is a long time in the life of a young child not to practice some of the skills they have developed during the year. Any kind of writing would be helpful—they could write to grand-parents who live far away or your child could keep a diary of all the different things they have done. Writing doesn't have to be a formal exercise and can be fun when it's for a purpose. Reading is another skill which the children need to practise during the summer break. Don't forget the local libraries will have a reading challenge running throughout the holidays.

All the children will know about it as we have a librarian come to our assembly to explain how it works.

This year we will be providing you with a holiday pack with a few ideas, just to keep your child's key skills 'ticking over' until September. We would also like all children to complete a 'Holiday Diary' and we will provide you with an exercise book for that purpose. There will be a prize for the best diary in each class, on the children's return to school in September. This way we hope that none of the children forget any of the fantastic skills they have already acquired throughout the year.

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Dates for your diary...

- 6 July— Year 2 & Year 3 disco at the junior school
- 6 July—new children taster session 1.30-2.30pm
- 13 July—Open Evening and move around day—details to follow
- 14 July— Last swimming
- End of year reports to go home (TBC)
- 19 July—1.45pm Year 2 leavers play (for Diamond class parents)
- 20 July—9.30pm Year 2 leavers assembly (for Pearl class parents)
- 21 July—Last Day of term (Summer holidays)
- 5 Sept—Yr 1 & 2 children start back at school.

The Big Question



The children have really enjoyed having Teamwork as the whole school Core Value this half term. The children have been

playing competitive games in teams, working in lessons as teams, discussing sportsmanship and thinking about what qualities the best teams have.

THE READING AGENCY AND LIBRARIES PRESENT
ANIMAL AGENTS
SUMMER READING CHALLENGE 2017
animal-agents.org.uk

The new Big Question is:

Is winning or working well as a team more important? A very tricky question!



Country dancing

Last Saturday a group of Year 2 children displayed their dancing skills at the All Saints' Church on Springfield Green.

This has become a Perryfields Infants' tradition and is always well received by the spectators. The children had been practising the dances for just a few weeks prior to the event. They all danced superbly (once the music started). Some of the sequences are very complicated and I am always amazed at how quickly the children are able to remember them! My thanks to all the parents who brought their children to the event on a Saturday and also to Miss Newland and Mrs Fair-

banks who have worked so hard with all the children and who also gave up their Saturday afternoon. More importantly, thanks to the children—you were great.



The holidays are coming....

If I get notification of any activities on offer during the summer break I usually put the details in the Perryfields' Post. You may find other information in the foyer.

Chelmsford City Council will be running six weeks of multi-activity sessions for children aged between 3 and 11 years. Sessions will take place in parks all over

the Chelmsford area. For the latest information and to book a place log on to the website, www.chelmsford.gov.uk/play.



Summer Inflatables

*A big thank you to everyone who contributed and helped at this event last Friday. The FIPS team worked tirelessly preparing things before the event and throughout the day. The sun shone and all the children had a fantastic time. Together we managed to raise a fantastic **£1500!** I am sure the children will have several good ideas about how to spend this money. Thank you everyone.*

Open evening and move around day

On Thursday 13th July the children will find out which class they will be in next year and who their class teacher will be. It is an exciting time where all the children spend the morning with their new class teachers. On this day you will also get a letter stating which class your child will be in. After school that day everyone is invited to attend our Open Evening at

3.10—5.30pm. Come and have a look at the fantastic work produced by the children of Perryfields Infant School. All of the work is beautifully displayed around the school and you can look around and familiarise yourselves with the school, chat to the teachers and staff and also visit the junior school. I look forward to seeing you there.