



Summer Dresses and Uniform

Please can we clarify again our position on summer dresses.

The only dresses allowed as part of our uniform are the ones on sale from the office. Please do not waste money buying others as we will ask you to change them. This rule has been in place ever since the dresses were introduced as an optional part of our uniform. If you do not want to buy these dresses, girls are very welcome to continue to wear their kilts with white ankle socks and short sleeved shirts and ties. We understand the dresses are not as cheap as those which can be bought in supermarkets, however they last a long time and could be passed onto siblings or brought into school to support our second hand school uniform system.

At the current time, the smallest sized dress is a 24. If parents of nursery children want to buy a summer dress, then we are buying extra stock of the smaller sizes, but this is optional.

Make up—no child should be wearing make-up to school. Please support us in keeping this rule. This also includes **nail varnish**. Any make-up/ nail varnish applied at the weekend should be removed before school on Monday. Thank-you

Royal Wedding Celebration

We plan to join in with the celebrations of the Royal Wedding by holding a street party.

On the afternoon of Friday, May 18th, rather than their usual school dinner, all children will join together to have a party lunch. School will provide sandwiches, some cake and drinks, however we would like to ask for donations of other party food, like we do for Christmas parties.

In the morning, children will be learning about the British Royal family and the National Anthem. All children are invited to wear non-school uniform and wear clothes suitable for attending a wedding. Boys may want to wear suits if they have them or trousers, shirt and tie and girls formal dresses and even a hat! There is **no need** to buy new clothes, though, whatever children would wear for a special occasion will be suitable. Fingers crossed for sunshine! More details will follow.

CLUBS BEGIN

Monday 30th April: Clubs: Football, cricket

Tuesday 1st May: Year 3 swimming, Gym 2JL(LA), Tennis 2SR, RHW swimming (pm) Clubs: ICT, choir, dance.

Wednesday 2nd May:

Thursday 3rd May **SCHOOL CLOSED FOR ALL CHILDREN**

Friday 4th May: Clubs: Gardening

Monday 7th May **SCHOOL CLOSED FOR ALL—MAY DAY**

Reading Awards

Bronze

Dennis 2JL
Ines 2JL
Iliana 2JL
Payge 2JL
Maisie 2JL
Mikey J 1EM

Silver

Annie 2JL
Ryoyu 2JL
Maria 1EM
Tegan 1EM

Gold

Emanuela 1EM
Maisie L 1EM
George 1EM
Tia 1EM

Well done to: Tegan 1EM; Rhea 1EL; Ingrid 1SS; Shayla 11JH; James 2ZH; Shaniqua 2JL; Yang Yang 2SR; Warren 2AH

CLUBS: If your child applied for an afterschool club you should have received a reply slip today (unless he/she has been at Oaker Wood). All except a few children, have been able to have their first choice of club. Please help them to attend each week and let staff know if this is not possible for any reason.

Be Safe Around Dogs

Lots of people love animals and enjoy their company but this is not true for everyone—especially when it comes to dogs.

Now that the children will be playing out and about much more, it is timely to remind them about being careful around dogs, especially if they don't know the dog, or don't have a pet. The Dogs' Trust have a really useful booklet about safety around dogs, written with Ambitious about Autism, which you can obtain from the school office.

Please remember that we do not let dogs (even carried in arms) onto school grounds. This is to ensure the safety of the children and the dog! Thank-you.