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Weekly Newsletter

Diary Dates

Tuesday 5 th September	P1 Parent Information session 9.30 – 10.30
Monday 18 th September	Parent Council AGM (9.30 am)
Wednesday 20 th September	Open Morning (9.15 – 12.00)
Friday 22 nd September	Local Holiday
Monday 25 th September	Local Holiday
Friday 6 th October	Sharing Assembly
Friday 13 th October	Primary 4 – Primary 7 (9.30 – 10.30)
Monday 16 th – Friday 27 th October	Sharing Assembly
Monday 6 th November	Primary 1 – Primary 3 (9.30 – 10.30)
Tuesday 7 th November	School Holidays
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Parent Council AGM

The Parent Council AGM will be held on Monday 18th of September at 9.30 am. At this meeting the parent council members are appointed. Please come along and volunteer to be part of the parent council so that you can contribute to the many events that the Parent Council organise and support the work of the school for the benefit of your children. A separate letter will be issued by the Parent Council explaining how you can become involved. Agenda items for the meeting on the 18th need to be submitted to the Parent Council by Friday 15th of September.

P7 Prom / Leavers' Event

It may seem very early to be thinking about such things but several children have mentioned that they have been told that they will not be having a prom this year. To clarify the situation we will be reviewing the P7 Leavers Event but are doing so to ensure that we listen to the views of the children and their parents. Any event will be organised in consultation with the children and parents and will be what the majority of those who express their views would like.

Laser Pens

Several children have brought Laser Pens in to school as I am sure you are aware these are not a toy and can be quite dangerous if not used in an appropriate way. If your child has a laser pen please ask them to keep it at home.

P1 Parent Information Session

We are holding an information session on Wednesday 5th of September to advise parents as to how they can support their children with their learning. In response to parental feedback we are holding this session earlier this year so that parents are informed of how they can help. The session begins at 9.30 in the gym hall and then there will be an opportunity for parents to visit their children in their class.

Open Morning

We will be hosting a Primary 1 to Primary 7 open morning on Wednesday 20th of September from 9.15 – 12.00. At 9.15 we will have a presentation in the Gym hall about an App that parents can use to help communication between home and school. Thereafter parents can visit the classes from 9.30 – 10.30 and 11.00 – 12.00. We hope that as many parents as possible can come and see their children working in their classes.

Sharing Assemblies

Those of you who have previously joined us for sharing assemblies will know that it is becoming very difficult to have all the children and parents join us as a whole school. We have decided this year to split the school for the sharing assemblies so only the children from classes presenting at the assembly will be present. The P1-P3 assembly is on Friday 13th October at 9.30 and the P4-P7 assembly is on Friday 6th October at 9.30. All parents and family members are invited to join us for this event.

Upcoming Holidays

The school will be closed on Friday 22nd of September and Monday 25th of September for the local holiday. The October holidays are from Monday 16th of October to Friday 27th of October.

Tempest Photographer

The photographer from Tempest will be in school on Monday and Tuesday the 6th and 7th of November to take individual portrait photographs of all the children in the school (this includes the nursery children). Due to the amount of children in the school there will **not** be an opportunity to take family group photos. All of the children have their photograph taken and a small digital copy of this is sent home with the child, but there is no pressure on you to buy the photographs.

P1 Soft Finish

This session we are trailing a 'Soft Finish' for our P1 children. This means that parents will be able to collect their P1 child from their class between 3.00 pm and 3.15 pm. Parents should enter and leave the school via the door in their child's Primary 1 class. All children should be collected by 3.15. We hope that this will give the parents the opportunity to get a brief update of their child's day.

Lining Up

We are aware that space is limited where the children line up in the morning. To help alleviate this congestion we ask that parents do not line up with the children. If for any reason your child requires you to support them in the line can you please wait at the end of the line with your child.