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TERM DATES

School Year 2023-24

Autumn Term

INSET Day: 4th and 5th Sept

First day of Term: 6th Sept

Half Term:

23rd Oct to 27th Oct

Last day of Term: 20th Dec

INSET Day: 21st Dec

Spring Term

INSET Day: 8th Jan

First day of Term: 9th Jan

Half Term:

12th Feb to 16th Feb

Last day of Term:

28th Mar

Summer Term

INSET Day: 15th Apr

First day of Term: 16th Apr

Bank Holiday: 6th May

Half Term:

27th May to 31st May

Last Day of Term:

24th Jul

IN TOUCH



Friday 26th January 2024

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VISION: Delivering excellence, allowing all to flourish
MISSION: Creating a culture of wonder, guided by Christian Faith
VALUES: COMPASSION - ENDURANCE - THANKFULNESS

Last night we had our Full Governing Board Meeting for the Spring Term. We are very lucky to have such an engaged group of people who support and challenge us throughout the year. Within the meeting we said a huge thank you to Natasha and Judith who are stepping down as Co-Chairs. Their guidance, dedication and thoughtfulness have been invaluable over the years, helping us steer a steady path through the pandemic and Ofsted - amongst many things! They will both continue on the Board supporting our new Chair—Paula Greenwood. We look forward to working with Paula and I am certain she will guide and support us just as well as her predecessors.

On Tuesday morning, KS2 celebrated a lovely Eucharist Service at St. Mary's Church. Rev'd Jane led the service with Y6 supporting beautifully as acolytes and readers. The theme for collective worship this term is 'Hope' and how Christians demonstrate hope through faith. Thank you to Rev'd Jane and Rev'd John for welcoming us so warmly to the church. All are welcome to these services—they are very special and we would love parents/carers to be part of these too.

Today it was a real treat to talk to children about Maths in our Friday Bingo Book Look! Maths Mastery has been a focus for the school over recent years and all the hard work is certainly evidenced in children's books. Please continue to support maths at home with regular times tables practice, playing maths-based games, supporting maths home learning and finding opportunities to apply maths in everyday situations—it does make a difference!

This week we have had a bit of a sort out of Lost Property. All Lost Property can be found in the red bin (labelled Lost Property) in the lower playground under the shelter. Please do have a look here if anything is missing. A reminder to label all clothes and items—including those bought in the second hand uniform sale!

On another practical note, we do kindly ask that if, at the end of the day, you need to speak to the class teacher, please wait until all children have been dismissed.

A quick reminder that we have Celebration Worship next Friday—all are welcome, please enter via the Charlwood Road entrance.

Wishing you all a restful weekend ...I am getting ready to pack for the very highly anticipated Sayers Croft Residential with Y5 and Y6 next week!

Amanda Bishop (Acting Head)

School Attendance 23-24	
TARGET	97.0%
Autumn	95.5%
Week Beginning	%
08/01	97.0%
15/01	94.4%
22/01	91.8%
29/01	
05/02	
12/02	
Total:	95.3%

Family Points

345

397

406

467

