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Catch-up Friday 28 April

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has flown by with many exciting events packed in.

Kingfishers had some special visitors this week. We enjoyed meeting, and learning so much about, three beautiful birds of prey brought in by Fenland Falconry. The children were full of enthusiasm and questions and were able to use their new-found knowledge in their writing. At the end of the day, the whole school were enthralled by a wonderful flying display!

Our visitors from Lincolnshire County Council encouraged us to 'Talk Rubbish!' We did and found out about what happens to our rubbish and how we can help to look after our planet through recycling: what we can recycle, what we can't, and why it's so important to know this.

Sport was on the agenda too! Sport2Day was with us this week working with Year 3 who got involved with honing their golfing skills and Year 4 & 5 who learnt a new sport – Danish longball.

The book fair was open on Monday and Tuesday, and it was lovely to see so many people. I hope all those books bought are being enjoyed. Thank you for your support.

Change to the end of school day routine.

From Tuesday 2nd May at the end of the day we will no longer have an extra adult on the playground after the gate has been opened by a member of Staff. We will continue to hand children over to the person collecting them and this adult will be responsible for them. Please ensure your child stays with you once they have been handed over and isn't running around on the playground. Thank you for your support with this.

Coronation Celebrations = Friday 5 May

We are celebrating the King's coronation next Friday by having a tea party in the afternoon. The School Councillors and House Captains will be involved in making the food for the event. Hopefully, the weather will be fine, and we can kick-off the weekend celebrations outside. Children can come to school wearing red, white and blue for the day and will all receive two small gifts, one from School and one from the Parish Council to commemorate this historic event.

Swallows' Art

A request form Mrs Cropley. Please save and send in materials the children can use in their art projects. If you are able the following materials would be especially useful:

Old CDs Drink bottle tops Corks Drink cans

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Plastic covered wire

Thank you.

Strike Action

On Tuesday 2nd May Robins class will be closed due to strike action. Learning links will be sent home for the children.

Thank you for your continued support with this.

Alison Buddle

Summer Term Trips

This term all the trips we make will benefit from a £2000 donation from the PTFA, reducing the cost of trips to only £6 per pupil. This is a huge saving for parents and school. Thank you for continuing to support events organised. Kingfishers are visiting Flag Fen this term to support their learning about ancient Britain; Swallows will be visiting the Yorkshire Sculpture Park as their art focus is sculpture using recyclable materials and Robin's trip is in the process of being organised - more details to follow.

PTFA News

Information about our amazing PTFA is on the school website and the PTFA Facebook page. The next big fund-raising event is The Summer Fayre on 9th July which, this year, will be at Shepeau Stow.

https://www.facebook.com/groups/ghssptfa https://www.shepeaustowschool.co.uk/ghssptfa

Other Diary Dates and Reminders

New dates highlighted in yellow.

During May	KS1 SATs	
1 and 8 May	Bank Holidays	
9 May – 12 May	KS2 SATs	
16 May	First Early Learners Session	1.30pm – 2.45pm
		Dates and further
		information will be sent to
		families with children
		attending.

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17 May	Year 3 Golf Tournament	Within the school day. Further information to follow.
23 May	Kingfishers Trip to Flag Fen	Within the school day
24 May	Year 4 & 5 Danish Longball Tournament	Within the school day
26 May	Last day of Term	
5 June	First day of the new Term	
5 June – 19 June	Year 4 Multiplication Checks	
12 June	Year 1 Phonics Screening	
15 June	Sports Afternoon	
26 June	Swallows' visit to the Yorkshire Sculpture Park	More details to follow.
26 June	Federation Assessment Week	
20 July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly	2pm
		Year 6 families only
11 & 12 July	Federation Production (Years 2,3 4, 5 & 6)	Details to follow
21 July	Last day of the Summer Term	Normal hours

Kind regards,

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