

# News on the Nineteenth

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## June 2012

### THE QUEEN'S JUBILEE

Thank you to everyone who helped to make our Jubilee Street Party such a lovely day.  
Special thanks to Mrs Sutcliffe who bought every child a Jubilee mug each.

### NATIONAL SPORTS WEEK/SPORTS DAY

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> - Friday 29<sup>th</sup>** is National Sports Week. Children will need their PE kit each day during this week. They will be researching the Ancient Olympic Games and taking part in lots of sporting activities.

We have planned sports day for **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June** (weather permitting). In the morning all children will take part in a mini Olympics tournament in which they will all be awarded a bronze, silver or gold medal depending on their performance. Following this, there will be a mini marathon. At 12 o'clock parents and families of all children are invited to join us for a picnic on the field (children who would usually have school meals will be provided with a school packed lunch). At 1.15 pm, following an opening ceremony, our traditional sports day afternoon begins with a race for Nursery children who would like to stay with their parents for the afternoon.

**Please ensure your child has sun cream on and a water bottle.**

Please ensure your child wears their team colour.



### TOLMERS Y4-6

Children wishing to attend Tolmers from Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> to Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July need to send their final payment into the office by **ASAP**

The total cost for the trip is £50 and this can be paid using Wisepay

### OPEN EVENING

On **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> July** the school will be open from 6.00pm to 7.00pm for children and parents to look around the school, experience some learning activities in each class, chat to next year's teachers and generally enjoy the evening.

### NEXT YEAR'S STAFFING

<b>Adventurers</b>	Mrs McKenna, Mrs Stubbs (NN), Miss Wolstencroft (Play Leader)
<b>Explorers</b>	Mrs Vicary, Mrs Kubik (STA), Mrs Messer (STA)
<b>Pioneers</b>	Miss Horncastle, Mrs Munt (TA)
<b>Discoverers</b>	Mrs Bower, Mrs Johnston (STA)
<b>INCo</b>	Mrs Viall
<b>SEN LSA</b>	Mrs Hastings

### Lice are Nice!

Head lice are not loners  
We're quite a friendly bunch  
That's why we swap our owners  
When they all sit down for lunch!

This is a reminder. Everyone must check their children's hair weekly to keep on top of this problem

### Year 6 trip to Thorpe Park

Year 6 children will be visiting Thorpe Park as a leaving treat! They will go on **Tuesday 10th July**, leaving school at 9.00am and leaving Thorpe Park at 6.30pm. We hope to be back at school by 7.30pm.



### SUMMER CONCERT

On **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July at 6.00pm** we will be holding a concert on our outdoor stage (weather permitting). The theme of our concert will be **The Best of British**, which will celebrate all that the children have been learning this term - The Queen's Jubilee, The Olympics and Britain since the 1930s.



Each class will have a different theme and have had letters regarding costumes for the concert.

### LEAVERS' SERVICE

The service will begin in church 9.00am on **Friday 20th July**.  
Please join us to say goodbye to our Y6s.

### REPORTS

Reports will be sent out on **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> July**.  
Please return your comment slips.

If you have any concerns, you can arrange to meet with your child's teacher at a convenient time.

### Play Rangers

Play Rangers are back for the Summer holidays.  
This is 2 hours of free play for 6-12 year olds.  
All rangers are qualified instructors and you can leave the children with them.  
Monday - Thursday 10:30 - 12:25  
from  
Monday 30<sup>th</sup> July - Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> August  
There will be lots of fun activities from kite flying to hockey and much more...



## MONDAY FURZEFIELD SWIMMING/DANCE/GYM 2012/13

### YEAR 3-6

We would like parents to come along to a presentation about P.E. at the Furzefield Centre on Monday 9th July 2012 at 3.20 pm in the Pioneers' classroom.

This will give parents an opportunity to find out about the benefits of these sessions, especially if your children are presently in Y2, to ask questions and have the opportunity to express an interest in continuing this initiative which requires parental contribution.

If you do not attend we will assume you are in favour and are willing to make a parental contribution to the costs



### PACKED LUNCHES

School meals are produced under healthy school guidance and packed lunches must also fall in line with these guidelines. Food standards for schools are mandatory which means schools must comply legally. School dinners must meet these standards and so too must packed lunches consumed in school.

Packed lunches should include the following every day:

- Meat, fish or a non-dairy source of protein
- A starchy food
- At least one portion of fruit
- At least one portion of vegetable or salad
- A milk or dairy food
- Soup
- Water or pure fruit juice with less than 5% added sugar

Packed lunches **must not** include:

- Confectionery such as sweets and chocolate bars
- Savoury snacks other than nuts and seeds with no added salt, sugar and fat
- Manufactured meat products more often than occasionally

Many of the foods no longer allowed under the food-based standards are associated with a growing range of child health issues including obesity, anaemia, tooth decay and diabetes.

For more information, you can contact the following websites:

[www.schoolfoodtrust.org.uk](http://www.schoolfoodtrust.org.uk)

[www.foodinschools.org](http://www.foodinschools.org)

### BUDGE UP DAY

On **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> July**, it will be our 'Budge Up Day'.

Children will spend the morning with their new classmates and teachers with whom they will be with next year.

### SUMMER WEATHER

As the weather is getting warmer, children are encouraged to bring **WATER** to school in a non-spill bottle, labelled with their name.

They will also need to have sun cream applied before school. We have school caps available for purchase. If children suffer with hay fever please give them the appropriate medication before school.



<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FTS AGM</b></p> <p>On Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July, the FTS will hold their annual general meeting at 1:45 in the Discoverer's classroom.</p> <p>Please volunteer your support as the FTS needs your help to continue to raise funds and organise social events for <b>all</b> children.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Bonus Ball</b></p> <p><b>Winners:</b>          Claire Wolstencroft          Freddie Turner          Jo Ayriss          Nicola Tann</p> <p>Please support this money raising activity and purchase a number from Jo Brittain.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SCHOOL DINNERS</b></p> <p>Hot schools meals are available at Ponsbourne as part of an agreement with Herts County Council and Northaw School, who provide them. Part of this agreement is that any child who wishes to change their meal pattern must give half a terms notice to Michelle in the office. Children can have school meals every day or any combination of days but what we cannot do is chop and change from week to week. School meals must also be paid for in advance normally per half term but arrangements can be made to pay weekly in advance if this helps you. If you wish to discuss your child's requirements, please talk to Michelle in the office.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SHOES/TRAINERS</b></p> <p>Please could children come to school with appropriate footwear - black shoes or trainers, which are part of our school uniform - and not fashion!!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>WHOLE SCHOOL PHOTO</b>  <b>On Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June</b>          the photographer will be in to take a whole school photo.          Please wear all correct uniform</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SWIMMING FOR EXPLORERS/PIONEERS</b></p> <p>Y1-3 will be swimming at Furzefield on <b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> July</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>MOUNT GRACE ACTIVITY AFTERNOON</b>          Y5 are invited to Mount Grace on <b>Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July</b> for an activity afternoon.          Transport is provided.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Film night</b></p> <p>Film night was a great success last year and the children produced some fantastic films. This year, film night will be on <b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 5:30-8:00.</b></p> <p>There will be awards for:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Best Film          Best Poster          Best Actor</p> <p>Everyone is welcome - £5 including pizza, popcorn and drinks</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Filming with Gloop</b></p> <p>On Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June, Artis will be filming Gloop working with our children for a short film which will be uploaded to the Artis website and the Times Educational Supplement website.</p> <p>If you <b>do not</b> want your child to appear in this film, please inform the office.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>PRODUCE SHOW</b></p> <p>On <b>Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July</b>, there will a produce show in the village hall.          More details to follow.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>CYCLING PROFICIENCY</b></p> <p>Cycling Proficiency will start on <b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> July.</b>          This is for children in Y5/6 who have paid for the course (£20)</p>