

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Here is a list of events for your diary. You will receive further information on them nearer the time.

	February
Friday 12th	PTA Cake Sale Break up for Half term
Monday 15th – Friday 19th	Half term
Monday 22nd	Children return to school
Friday 26th	PTA Beauty, Pamper and Shopping evening
	March
Saturday 6th	School Photographer in for Family Portraits
Friday 19th	PTA Sponsored Easter hunt
Friday 26th	Spring Service—9.15 a.m.
Saturday 20th – Saturday 27th	BEST (BrightEn Send & Tidy it up) Week
Saturday 20th	'Swap it' Lancaster Hall
Tuesday 30th	PTA Easter Cake sale at 3.15 p.m.
Wednesday 31st	End of Term- 2.00 p.m.
	April
Monday 19th	INSET day
Tuesday 20th	Children return to school
	May
Monday 3rd	School Closed- BANK HOLIDAY
Friday 21st	PTA Cake Sale at 3.15 p.m.

Warmest Wishes,



Mr. S. P. Hobbs
Head teacher



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Friday 12th February 2010

Dear Parents & Carers,

We are at the end of an unusual half term, with the poor weather at the beginning it doesn't seem as though we have been back long. Hopefully the early signs of spring will greet us on our return after the break. The next term and a half will continue to be a busy one for the school with an anticipated OFSTED due anytime and we look forward to your continued support in helping us do the very best for our children.

Finally, can I please remind you to keep to the paths around the school as the grass and mounds are planted with spring bulbs.

I hope you all have a very safe and peaceful half term break.

BEST Week

After the success of last year we are once again joining the village-wide week of events to Brighten Send and Tidy it up - BEST Week - from 20th to 27th March. As a new venture there will be a 'swap shop' in Lancaster hall on Saturday 20th March in the morning. People will be able to bring and take items- good quality toys, clothes, books, DVD's bric-a-brac and small items of furniture- with no money changing hands.

On Friday 26th March, we will once again be doing a school site clean up, encouraging the children to look out for litter and bin it. We hope you all already give a message to your children as a matter of course that they shouldn't drop litter. On Saturday 27th March, parents can get involved too, by turning up on the recreation ground at 10.30 am to join others in a village-wide litter sweep. All welcome!

Bishop of Guildford Foundation

Many thanks for supporting the Bishop of Guildford Foundation with the 'Mega Mufti Day' on Friday 29th January. We were able to collect £100, that will go towards the important work that this charity does for people in need in the local community.

PTA News

The Jumble Sale raised £ 675 which was a great result.

Thank you for all the donations and to the helpers, with particular thanks to Mrs Manktelow, and her friends, for all their support year after year with this event.

Remember the joint Send First and St Bede's PTA Beauty, Pamper and Shopping Evening on Friday 26th March. There is still time to buy your Tickets from the school office and book your treatments by calling Jo West on 01483 223107 or by e-mail on pta.beauty@btconnect.com

The next PTA Meeting is on Thursday 4th March at 7 p.m. in school - all parents are very welcome.

Next half term we will also be having a sponsored Easter hunt (19th March) and an Easter cake sale (30th March at 3.15 p.m.).

Family Photo Day

Following the success last year, we plan to hold a Family Photographic session at the school again ,on Saturday 6th March starting at 9.30 a.m. We will be using Cardwell & Simons, professional photographers, who will produce creative, quality photographs in a studio setting with no extra sitting fees to pay. Remember this STUDIO SAVER session is open to grandparents and other relatives and friends. You will receive a proof photograph so you can choose what sizes you would like to order and prices start from £10. You should have received a card explaining how to book places, but if you seem to have missed out please speak to a member of staff in the office.



Woking Swimming Club

We have been asked by Woking Swimming Club to mention that they are now holding new members trials for children born between 2001 and 2004. The trials are to be held on Friday 5th March at Woking Pool in the Park. Each child needs to be able to swim 15 metres or more and have an interest in competitive swimming. If you are interested please contact Kate from WSC on 07981 079978 or Grace on 07749 226287 or alternatively email newmembers@wokingclub.co.uk

School Meals

We have been advised by Surrey CC that stricter guidelines for the payment of school meals is now in place. The main points are that there is to be zero tolerance of debt and providing school meals without upfront payment. Head Teachers are advise to contact the local welfare officer if food/money are not provided consistently.

The cost of lunch for the second half of the Spring term is £56.00 (28 days x £2.00) You can of course pay either weekly or monthly if you wish. Please help the office staff by sending the money in on the first day of term in a named envelope. Any cheques should be made payable to Send First School.

Advanced Warning- Spring Service

We will be holding our Spring Service on Friday 26th March at 9.15 a.m. in the school hall. The children will be encouraged to make a Spring bonnet or hat that they will wear in the assembly and parade at the end. The children will also sing 'spring' songs. Parents are most welcome, but please note that space will be limited as it was at the harvest festival. Could I remind parents that unfortunately due to lack of space and to minimise disruption, we do request that you make alternative arrangements for pre-school children and babies as a crèche is not provided. Thank you in advance for your co-operation.

Consultation Evening.

We hope that once again you found the consultation evening informative. Thank you for all of your positive comments and for taking part in the tombola which raised £34.50 towards the school fund.

Thank you also for your comments and suggestion about how the school can move forward in the future. Your comments will help us create the School Development Plan for the next year.

Gentle Reminder-Before School

Could I remind parents to please use the rear of the school for bringing your children into school in the morning unless you need to speak to someone in reception.