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Newsletter

Friday 28th April 2023

Bank holidays:

Please note school will be closed on Monday 1st May and Monday 8th May as they are Bank Holidays.

GEMS Assembly:

The winning team for the weekly GEM Trophy was **Diamond**. Well done to everyone in Team **Diamond**!
Find out about our GEM procedures here: <https://whinfield.net/parents/gems/>

Football:

Well done to the Year 3 girls who attended the Football Festival today at Eastbourne Sports complex. They all played brilliantly. They won all games except 1 which they drew. Between them they scored 20 goals and only conceded 1 goal. Outstanding effort by everyone, we are very proud.

New school roof:

As many of you are aware we have had issues with the roof for a number of years. We have good news to share in that the roof is being replaced with work starting in a few weeks. We will keep you updated as to the exact dates the work will start and any adaptations we need to make as the work proceeds. The Local Authority are managing the project.

Bikes and scooters:

Parking of the bikes and scooters when the roof is being replaced will be an issue due to scaffolding therefore, we will pause with these for the moment until we are clear what the plan can be.

The Kings Coronation

The children will be participating in a variety of activities and celebrations across the week beginning 1st May-5th May.

On Friday 5th May the children will have the opportunity to dress up in the colours red, white or blue or perhaps something more regal like dressing as a King or Queen.

'Garden Gang' News:

We have started a mini allotment and 'gardening gang' in school. Our aim is to make our grounds full of exciting, beautiful plants and grow things we can eat. We have been weeding, growing plants from seed, growing potatoes and building a raised bed. This is the first of many we hope to build. We are all learning together, and it has been great fun so far!

We have a big favour to ask. If you have any spare good quality soil you can give us, please can you send it into school in a carrier bag so we can fill our beds. Also, if you grow things and have one extra, we would love that too.

We hope you like our pictures,



Mr Douglas, Mrs Souter, Mrs Bennett, and Gardening Gang





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Strike days:

Following the letter sent regarding strike days please see details of closures below for Tuesday 2nd May. If your child's class is closed, any childcare sessions have been cancelled, and a credit applied to your account.

Year	Class	Open	Closed
Reception	RN - Miss Nixon	Open all day	
	RL - Miss Lindsay	Open all day	
Year 1	1D - Miss Dunn		Closed all day
	1HR - Mrs Hall/Mrs Rowney	Open all day	
Year 2	2A - Mrs Airey		Closed all day
	2G - Miss Graham		Closed all day
	2M - Mrs Murphy	Open AM only. Children to be picked up from their usual door at 12:15pm (they will have lunch in school)	Closed PM
Year 3	3WH - Mrs Walker-Hodgson	Open all day	
	3D - Mr Douglas	Open all day	
	3B - Ms Bennett		Closed all day
Year 4	4S - Mrs Souter	Open PM only - children to come to school at 12pm and have lunch in school.	Closed AM
	4G - Mrs Golightly	Open PM only - children to come to school at 12pm and have lunch in school.	Closed AM
	4L - Mr Legg		Closed all day
Year 5	5B - Mrs Bowe/Mrs Barker Jones	Open	
	5L - Mr Lines	Open	





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	5H - Miss Holden	Open	
Year 6	6C - Mrs Close	Open	
	6W - Miss Watkins	Open	
	6AB - Mrs Boulton	Open	

Important Dates for the Summer term 1:

Week commencing 1 st May	The Kings coronation
Monday 1 st May	School closed - Bank Holiday
Tuesday 2 nd May	Year 5 Educational visit - Ministry of Science Planned Strike Day - details will follow next week.
Monday 8 th May	School closed - Bank Holiday
Week commencing 8 th May	Year 6 SATS
Thursday 25 th May	Year 6 and Reception year group Photographs
Friday 26 th May	Reception visit to Hullabaloo
Friday 26 th May	School closes for May half term.

