

Friday 6th June 2014 Summer Term; Issue 5 Sharmans Cross Junior School

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It would be wrong of me to let this newsletter go without mention of the momentous event that took place 70 years ago to the day. On 6th June 1944 the largest seaborne invasion in history took place in the English Channel. More than 5 000 craft carried over 160 000 troops as the Allied Forces pushed back against the German threat and created the context for the ending of World War II. On that day the Allies alone reported over 12 000 casualties and more than 4 000 losses.

> It's really difficult for us to imagine what it must have felt like for those involved either directly in the push or connected to it or the scale of the effort that went in to this courageous act. Therefore, it is good and proper that we remember all of those involved in that conflict and the sacrifices that they made, drawing upon their courage and determination to face those lesser difficulties that face us on a daily basis.

Congratulations to our Y5 cricketers who took part in the local cricket festival this week. Fantastic performances from all involved saw our 3 teams cumulatively record 8 victories from 9 matches! We await to hear the outcomes of the festival but suspect that at least one of those teams must qualify for the regional finals at Edgbaston.

The teams did boast three players who have made it to County level. Laura Smitten, Lawson Attwood and Tom Watkins will all represent Warwickshire this summer. We wish them well!

Talking of Summer, as the UV levels increase (thankfully!) from April until October, please ensure that your child either applies all day suncream before coming to school or brings suncream with them for application at break times. This should be at least Factor 15 and have their name on it. Teachers will encourage children to apply their own cream and not borrow other children's in case of allergy, but do not apply it for them. Should your child have any special needs in terms of suncream, please talk to their class teacher who will be more than happy to help.

Finally, a hat! Baseball, floppy or straw, it doesn't matter. Protecting your head from these increased UV rays, present even on grey, cloudy days helps to prevent headaches and along with water bottles and regular drinks prevents dehydration.

Have a good weekend!

Dates for your diary:



- 6 Coffee Morning 9 - Cricket Coaching 16 - Y4/5 Cricket Coaching
- 23 Y4/5 Cricket Coaching 26 - New Intake Evening

July

4 - Summer Fair 4 - Coffee Morning 8 - Sports Day 8/9/10/11/14 - Book Fair 9 - Open Evening 10 - Y4 Cricket Festival 14/15/16 - Y6 at Solihull School 14/15/16/17/18 - Y3 swimming 16 - Y6 Performance at Solihull School 17 - Leavers' Tea 17 - Leavers' Disco 18 - Leavers' Assembly 21 - INSET 22 - Summer Holiday

September

- 1 INSET
- 2 INSET 3 - Back to school
- 3 Y3 coffee morning
- 5 Coffee morning

<u>Stranger Danger</u>

The local police will be coming into school on Wednesday 25th June to work with all years groups on Stranger Danger. Each year group with have an assembly followed by a discussion/question and answer session with the local police.



Bikeability - Cycling Proficiency for the 21st Century

Solihull Council are offering Level 1 and Level 2 Bikeability training courses for children between the ages of 9 and 11 years. These courses will be taking place at Arden Secondary School from Monday 18th August – Thursday 29th August from 10.00am – 12noon.

A Parent and Child Bikeability course is also taking place at Arden Secondary School from Monday 26th August – Thursday 29th August from 10.00am – 12noon.

Anyone interested in attending either of the above courses are asked to contact Lorraine Doran on 0121 704 6511 or Idoran@solihull.gov.uk.

Second Hand Uniform Sale

Do you have any uniform, dance outfits, school coats, beaver, rainbow, cub, brownie kit etc in good condition you would like to sell?

The PTA are holding a second hand uniform sale on Thursday 26th June 2014 (following the New Intake Evening). Items need to be brought into school reception from 3.00pm on Wednesday 25th June and clearly labelled.

Information regarding this event will be sent out to all parents from the PTA.

Message from School Crossing Patrol

There is currently a morning School Crossing Patrol vacancy for our school.



For further details please contact Kim Stone on 0121 704 6568 or email kstone@solihull.gov.uk.