



**For week ending  
24<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

Dear Parents,

**Dinner Money**

Herts Catering, who supply our school dinners, have informed us that they are increasing the charge for each school dinner by 5p from April 2017. They have advised that this price will stay the same until March 2018. To reflect this extra cost, our school dinners will be charged at £2.40 per meal when we return after the Easter holidays.

**School Council Visit to St. Elizabeths**

Our School Council representatives visited St Elizabeth's this week where they were shown around and met some of the students and staff. They were very impressed by what they saw and were pleased to see that our donations to our school charity this year are going to such a worthy cause.

**Year 5 performance at the Rhodes Centre**

On Wednesday evening, Year 5 gave a fantastic choral performance at the Rhodes Centre, alongside other local schools. The evening was a huge success and well done to all who took part. A DVD will be available shortly and we will let you have details.

**Calling all woodwind and brass players!**

Bishop's Stortford Music Centre's training band is recruiting new players and would like to invite you to come and try a rehearsal for free on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April from 5.30-6.30.

If your child plays a woodwind or brass instrument and is around Grade 1 (or equivalent such as Bronze Music Medal) or above and is at primary school, they would be delighted if you would consider coming to join them. Playing in a group is great fun and can provide great motivation for practice and also helps build musical skills that support work in instrumental lessons.

If you would like your child to go to the rehearsal, please email Rosemary Richardson at [rosemary.richardson@hertsmusicservice.org.uk](mailto:rosemary.richardson@hertsmusicservice.org.uk) to let her know which instrument your child plays. Then join the band at 5.30pm on 24<sup>th</sup> April in the music department at Birchwood High School on Parsonage Lane.

**Year 3 Plant Sale Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March 3.15**

Year 3 have been growing plants and will be selling them on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March at 3.15 in the playground. All profits will be going to Project Hope UK. They encourage villages in Africa to grow their own produce.

**PTA Easter Egg Hunt and Bake Sale Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March**

The PTA Easter Egg Hunt will take place on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March at 3.30 on the school field.

**Green Fingers Club**

Mr Dupplaw will be running our gardening club again this year. He would really appreciate an enthusiastic, green-fingered helper. If you know of any keen gardener who might be able to offer an hour or two a week, please contact the office.

**Sainsbury's Vouchers**

We are collecting Sainsbury's vouchers and would be grateful if you could save them and send them in to school. Thank you

**After School Clubs**

All for Sport clubs are on next week, as well as the Athletics, Hockey, Netball and Magical Maths clubs.

**Letters sent home**

Dinner money – Whole School

Athletics Club – Current Athletics club attendees

**Weekly Reminders****Dinner Menu**

Week commencing Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March will be Week 3 on the school dinner menu.

**Office Box**

Please remember to use the school office box in reception to drop off any dinner money payments, permission slips, letters for the school, etc. Thank you!

**Reminder about school start time**

Lessons begin at 8.50am when the registers are taken. Please remember that if your child arrives at school after 8.50am, **they need to come in via the school office with an adult and sign in the late book.** Children arriving after 8.50am but before 9am will be given a late mark and children arriving after 9am will be marked as an unauthorised absence. This is in accordance with the directive from our attendance officer.

**Class Assembly**

Please note the class assembly dates in the calendar on the back of this newsletter

**Dates for your diary** (\* New entry)

<b>Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	<b>Let's Celebrate Easter Year 5 visit</b>
<b>Thurs 30<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	<b>4PW Class assembly 9.15am</b>
<b>*Thurs 30 Mar</b>	<b>Year 3 Plant Sale 3.15pm</b>
<b>Fri 31<sup>st</sup> Mar</b>	<b>PTA Easter Egg Hunt and Bake Sale 3.30pm End of term</b>
<b>Tues 18<sup>th</sup> Apr</b>	<b>Inset day</b>
<b>Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Apr</b>	<b>PTA Pupil Fun Run 3.30pm</b>
<b>Mon 1<sup>st</sup> May</b>	<b>Bank holiday</b>
<b>Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Year 3 Celtic Harmony trip</b>
<b>Weds 17<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Year 6 Crucial Crew visit</b>
<b>Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Year 5 Jewish Museum trip</b>
<b>Fri 26<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Inset day</b>
<b>Mon 29<sup>th</sup> May – Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> Jun</b>	<b>Half term week</b>
<b>Sat 15<sup>th</sup> Jul</b>	<b>PTA Summer Fayre with a 60's theme</b>
<b>Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Jul</b>	<b>School end 2.30pm</b>
<b>Mon 24<sup>th</sup> Jul</b>	<b>Inset day</b>