

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back for the summer term of 2025. I cannot believe how quickly the last two terms seem to have flown by and here we are now in the summer term! The summer term is always a busy one and one in which we are mindful that this will be the last term for our Year 6 pupils as they start to visit their new secondary schools and build new friendships. It is a time of mixed emotions for them, but we know that they will be excited and ready to start on their new adventures.

We had a special visitor in school at the start of the week and the children had a fantastic time searching for hidden eggs which they were able to exchange for a chocolate egg. Many thanks to Friends of School for arranging for the Easter Bunny to visit us and share these treats with the children.



It is lovely to see some of the children returning to school wearing summer uniform. Please use the link below to our website to see the school uniform section if you are unsure about any uniform items. The uniform policy also gives guidance on PE uniform and states which items can be worn during PE sessions. Please ensure that your children have the correct PE items for their PE lessons. The class Curriculum Maps will say which days your child(ren) have PE. This was also sent in an email prior to the Easter holidays. If you have any spare PE items, we would be very grateful for any donations so that we can lend PE kit to anyone who has lost or forgotten their PE kit.

Website link - <https://standrews.acornacademy.org>

You will have received an email with information about the learning which will take place in your child's class this half term. This is the class Curriculum Map, and it is also available on our school website. If you would like any further information about our curriculum, please take a look at our school website or speak to your child's class teacher.

Thank you to everyone who has already used our booking forms to sign up for after school clubs. Clubs available for this half term are:

**Monday – Cricket Club (Y2-6) Mr Troman**

**Monday/Wednesday - Maths Club (Y5 and 6) Mrs Whitehead**

**Monday/Wednesday – Writing Club (Y1-4) Mrs Gilfillan**

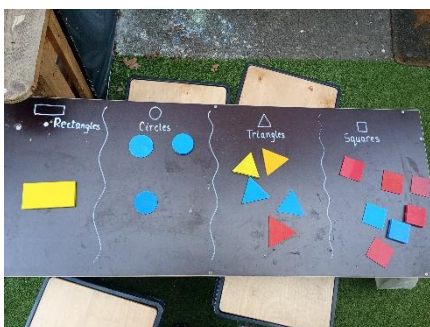
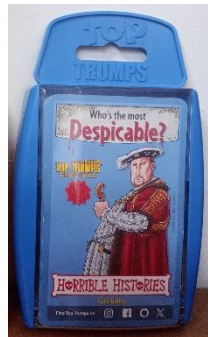
**Thursday – Forest School Club (All Years) Mrs Gordon-Watson**

Breakfast Club is available every day from 8am and After School Childcare Club runs from Monday to Thursday each week from 3.30-5.30pm. You can sign your child(ren) in for either one hour or two hours and they will still be able to attend an after-school club until 4.30pm each day should they wish to. The children will have a drink and snack before having some playtime with a variety of activities on offer. At breakfast club there is a range of breakfast food items available. Please see the office for further information if you are interested in requesting a place in either of these childcare clubs.

Here are the dates for events already known to us. There will be new events added as we progress through the term but it is always good to share events with you as soon as possible so that you are able to make any arrangements you may need to.

We will have whole school and class photos taking place on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> May. Let's hope we have a nice sunny day for outside photos.

On Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June, Friends of School will be holding a meeting in school at 7pm, please come along and show your support, if you are able to. Our wonderful FoS are such a fundamental part of our school team as they always provide such fun opportunities for the children and also help to support us financially with the extras that we wouldn't be able to provide without their hard work. The visit from the Easter bunny was a huge success and Easter Bingo raised over £500. Thank you to all of the families and community members who support these events either through their attendance, donations or work towards these events. Here are some of the items FoS have funded in school recently.



We have many sporting events booked for this term which will offer opportunities from bikeability lessons, a cricket tournament, a swimming gala and sports day. Reception class will be able to take part in balanceability (starting to ride a bike) during the week commencing 19<sup>th</sup> May. Sports day is planned for the afternoon of Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June with the reserve date being Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June.

Year 5 and 6 will be going to Chard Leisure Centre for weekly swimming lessons throughout June and will also have the opportunity to attend a Somerset County Cricket Club match at the start of July. This is always a hugely popular outing and the children gain so much from attending such a large sporting event.

Year 5 will have the opportunity to visit The Axe Valley Academy for a STEM Science day on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June.

There will also be trips out to enhance the curriculum for Reception and Year 1/2. Year 5/6 will also be going to Torquay for a PGL residential visit in July. More information about all of these events will follow. Here's to a busy and exciting term!

Kind regards,

Mrs Donna Butler

Head of School