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Summer has well and truly arrived this week and I do hope that you have all been coping okay in the heat. Thank you for ensuring pupils are bringing water bottles, hats and sun cream or have had it applied before school.

Swimming began in Key Stage 2 this week with all pupils being assessed. If you have not purchased your child's swim hat, please can you do so by sending in £1. Mrs Cave will then allocate the correct coloured hat to your child for their swimming lesson.

Whilst on this topic, next week is National Water Safety Week across the country. Pupils across the school will be receiving lessons on water safety and taking part in many of the fun activities suggested by the RNLI.

Please can I take this opportunity to discuss playtime snacks. As a healthy school, we try to promote healthy living through fruit and milk being available in key stage one and a salad and fruit bar being available at lunchtimes for all pupils. However, staff have noticed that playtime snacks are no longer as healthy as they could be with more and more chocolate alternatives being brought in from home. Please can I remind you all that playtime snacks should be fresh or dried fruit or alternatively a fruit bar. Nuts are not allowed on the school premises due to allergies and water bottles should be filed with water and nothing else. Thank you for your support with ensuring pupils live a healthy lifestyle.

You may have noticed that the option on ParentPay for ham sandwiches has been removed. Unfortunately, the software company cannot correct this without removing the entire menu and the chosen parent choices for the rest of the term. Therefore, should your child wish to order a ham sandwich, please choose an alternative sandwich such as cheese or tuna and let Mrs Cave know in a morning, who will then ensure our school cook knows to make your child a ham sandwich on that day. Thank you for your understanding with this matter.

It was lovely to see such a great turnout for our 'Dads and Lads' afternoon in Pandas today. Thank you to all of those fathers or other family members who came in to work with their children, these memories are priceless.

Unfortunately, due to the poor uptake from ex pupils for our Reunion Disco, this event on Wednesday 29th June will now be cancelled. However, the Leavers Disco on

Wednesday 5th July will still take place for all pupils between EYFS – Y6. A letter will be issued in due course.

Next week we say goodbye to our Student Teacher, Miss Toner who has been with Panda class since September. We wish Miss Toner good luck as she begins her teaching career in a school in Corby.

As with any school, teachers do not remain forever. This year, we say goodbye to Miss Braines in Chameleons class as she moves on to a new school in Northampton. We will also be saying goodbye to Mrs Mallows (previously known as Miss Bradbury) as she steps away from teaching to spend more time with her family. Lastly, we will say goodbye to Mr Woodward and thank him for his continued time here as a supply teacher in Penguins.

Therefore, I have accompanied this newsletter with a staffing structure for the upcoming academic year. Pupils will get the opportunity to meet their new teacher on Transition Day, which will be on Tuesday 5th July. I will also inform you of opportunities at the end of the day for when you too can meet the new teachers. Should you have any questions or queries regarding the new staffing structure for September, please do not hesitate to come and see me.

I sincerely hope you have a wonderful weekend and do manage to survive in this heat!

Mrs Roberts

Dates for the Diary

Wednesday 22nd June – New to EYFS Transition Evening 6pm.

Thursday 30th **June** – Y3/4 West Stow Anglo-Saxon Village

Tuesday 5th July – Whole School Transition Morning Wednesday 13th July – Y6 Leavers Disco

For all current pupils EYFS – Y6.

Thursday 14th July – Sports Day

Friday 15th July – July Rose 1.30pm

Monday 18th July – KS2 Afternoon Performance

Tuesday 19th July – KS2 Evening Performance

Thursday 21st July – Leavers Assembly

Thursday 21st **July** – Last day of term for the school year.