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**Newsletter No.28**

Dear Parent/Carers Friday 28th April 2017

Welcome back to the Summer Term at Ashton Vale Primary, with this newsletter you will receive the Summer Diary of Dates.

**Bank Holiday**

Please note that next Monday 1st May is a Bank Holiday so school will be closed on this day.

**Girls Football/Hockey/Archery/Golf**

* The girl’s football team have had a great start to their tournament winning all their games on Wednesday. We look forward to next week.
* Our hockey team played in the County Finals and came 4th out of 24 schools from four different counties. An amazing result especially as they won their first 15 games.
* Our new archery team shot brilliantly and really enjoyed the experience at this event.
* Our golf team will be competing next Thursday.

**Year 6 SATS/Revision**

Blue Jay Class have been busy preparing for SATs which start on Monday 8th May. The children have shown a very mature attitude towards these tests and have spent time in the holiday revising as well as resting.

Miss Burke will be offering some revision time to Year 6 on Sunday 7th May, 12pm to 3pm. We ask that children bring a packed lunch, which, weather permitting, will be eaten outside. The children then have an opportunity to revise but also to play together before their first test on Monday 8th May.

**Year 2 SATs**

Flamingo Class have been busy preparing for their SATs tests which will mainly take place during the week of 17th May.

**Smartie Challenge**

Thank you for supporting the Smartie Challenge this year.  Please return your tubes and money to the school office **no later than Friday 5th May**.  Please don't forget to secure the ends of the tube and label it with your child’s name and class.  Every child who collects £5 or more will be entered into a prize draw to win a £10 gift card.

**PTA Meetings**

The PTA have two meetings next week and anyone who is interested in being involved in the organisation of the summer BBQ, or the PTA in general is encouraged and very welcome to attend.  Wednesday 3rd May at 9am: BBQ planning meeting.  Thursday 4th May at 3.15pm: PTA committee.  We look forward to seeing you there.

**Year 4 to Ashton Park**

Year 4 have been invited to a drama production at Ashton Park Secondary School next Wednesday 3rd May. We will use the local trips letter as permission. The children will be leaving here straight after the register and will be back for lunch time.

**Ashton Vale Church**

Everybody is invited to Ashton Vale Church Family Café this Sunday 30th April at 10.30am.

**Chickens**

Thank you for all your support in caring for our chickens at weekends and in the holidays. The new rota is now up in the office if you can help this term. If you have not helped and would like to, I am happy to show you what it entails. It is only one visit per day and no cleaning out is required at weekends.

**Attendance**

This week’s attendance is:

Penguin 94% Robin 89.3% ***Flamingo 98%***  Crow 95.7%

***Falcon 96.7%***  Kingfisher 93.4% ***Blue Jay 97.8%***

I know the junior classes are very keen to win the climbing trip this term so the race is on for the highest attendance over the next few weeks.

Yours sincerely,

Ms V Champeney

Headteacher