





Friday 20th January

Hello,

What an exciting week we have had!

Year 5 have had an exciting day in London for Young Voices, Year 6 have shared their Hilltop assembly and Ocelots have had a Chinese banquet.

Thank you for your understanding regarding the slippery surfaces and changing of gates in the morning and afternoon.

The previously mentioned change to terms dates for the next academic year 2023/24.

Have a lovely weekend.

Dates for your diary

- 23rd Jan Additional needs support group
- 25th-27th January Y4 Burwell trip
- Parents' evening week 27th February – 3rd March

Please find the term dates attached and they are now on the website. Click here for the link.

Visit our website: http://www.pendragon.cambs.sch.uk/website

Guitar and ukulele taster lessons!

Mr Boyde currently has some free slots on Wednesday mornings, and on Weds 1st February he is offering short taster lessons after morning break, to prospective new pupils from Years 2 - 5. Spare instruments will be available if required. If your child would like to try out guitar and/or ukulele, with a view to taking regular 1-1 lessons, please contact Mr Boyde to book a slot. Email hugh@hughboyde.com



For Year 6 parents
If you would like to watch the
Hilltop Assembly from this
morning, Miss Jupe has emailed
the link out to you all. You will
need to use your child's login
details to access the video.



Academic Year 2023/2024

Autumn 2023

Staff Training Days	Friday 1st and Monday 4th September
Children's first day of the Autumn Term	Tuesday 5 th September
Half Term	Monday 23 rd to Friday 27 th October
Children's last day of the Autumn Term	Wednesday 20 th December

Spring 2024

Staff Training Day	Thursday 4 th January
Children's first day of Spring Term	Friday 5 th January
Half Term	Monday 19th to Friday 23rd February
Children's last day of Spring Term	Thursday 28th March
Easter break	Friday 29th March to Friday 12th April

Summer 2024

Children's first day of the Summer Term	Monday 15 th April
Bank Holiday	Monday 6 th May
Staff Training day	Friday 24 th May
Half Term	Monday 27 th to Friday 31 st May
Children's last day of Summer Term	Friday 19 th July
Staff Training Day	Monday July 22nd

3

Strike days

You will have no doubt seen in the media that the National Education Union (NEU) has announced national and regional strike action for teachers in England on the following dates:

Wednesday 1st February 2023 Wednesday 1st March 2023 Wednesday 15th March 2023 Thursday 16th March 2023

We are in the process of assessing the impact strike action may have on staffing levels in the school. I am not allowed to insist that teachers tell me if they are striking. As soon as we have the relevant information to let you know if a class or year group is going to be closed, we will. Please be reminded that if the school is open for your child, you have a legal duty to ensure that they attend. The Local Authority are yet to issue their guidance on the proposed strikes and as soon as they do, we will share any updates we have.

We will write to you as soon as possible to communicate arrangements for Wednesday 1st February and will keep forward dates under review.

Many thanks for your understanding.







Ocelots have been learning about Chinese New Year and celebrating the heritage of members of their class by enjoying a Chinese banquet.

Friends of Pendragon dates for your diary

Friday 24th February – KS1 and KS2 disco Monday 6th March – committee meeting

Friday 17th March – Mother's day shop

Friday 31st March – 'Break the rules' non uniform day

Tuesday 9th May - committee meeting

Saturday 10th June – Quiz

Friday 16th June – Father's day shop

Friday 7th July – Summer Fiesta

Appeal

Did you have a post Christmas clear out? We are looking for:

- 'Happy land' or small figure sets (dolls house figures)
- Play mobil
- Lego
- Bean bags (in good condition)
- Small rugs (children ones would be ideal)
- A treasure chest for pastoral work
- A small two seater sofa (leather would be prefect) for a group room





'When we got to the O2 it was the best thing ever. The best bit about the O2 was the beat boxers and the violin. We all sang together and it sounded beautiful it was the best day ever in history!'

'The O2 was the most amazing experience ever! I was astonished by how amazing it was. We sang many famous songs like: Proud, Nile Rogers disco party and Don't Worry. IT WAS THE BEST!!!!!!!!!









'It was a really, really, amazing experience. I really want to go again and we would never be able to do it without our amazing teacher Mrs Stamp.'