



June	
Wednesday 17th	Year 6 Imperial War Museum
Wednesday 17th	Class RLI Forest School Day
Friday 19th	Non Uniform Day for Summer Fair
Monday 22nd	Year 1 and Year 2—Sports Day
Wednesday 24th	Move Up Day
Friday 26th	Year 3 trip to Colchester Castle
July	
Thursday 2nd	New entrants coffee morning
Friday 3rd	FOP Summer Fair
Wednesday 8th	Year 6 performance
Friday 10th	Reception trip to Firstsite
Wednesday 15th	Year 6 prom
Thursday 16th	Reception Sports Afternoon
Friday 17th	Last day of term
Monday 20th	Non-Pupil Day



Dear families,

The wet weather this week upset our plans for the junior sports day. We are pleased to say that we have rescheduled the day for Monday 15th June. Year 3 and Year 4 will take part in the morning from 9.30am to 11.00am. Year 5 and Year 6 will take part in the afternoon from 1.15pm to 3.00pm.

Parents and carers are very welcome to come along to give their support.

Friends of Prettygate Summer Fair

On Friday 3rd July the Friends of Prettygate are holding their annual summer fair. We are asking for helpers to make the event run smoothly. Please see the link below for the sign up sheet. We would be grateful of any help, even for a short time.

[VolunteerSignup - Online volunteer signup sheets - summer fair sign up sheet](#)

Non Uniform Day—Friday 19th June

Next Friday, 19th June we will be holding a non uniform day.

Children can come to school in their own choice of clothes in exchange for an item for the summer fair. This year we would be grateful for games and toys, unwanted gifts, items for tombola (no food, drink or alcohol.)

Class RB—Forest School Day

On Wednesday this week, class RB spent the whole day at Forest School. The children helped to prepare their lunch, which was cooked over the fire. They took part in many creative activities throughout the day. There was time to relax in the hammock and to dig for buried treasure. The day ended with ice lollies in the sunshine. A lovely day was had by all. It will be the turn of class RLI next week.





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Attendance and Punctuality

We are currently experiencing a large number of requests for term time holidays, often at very short notice, so feel it is appropriate to draw your attention to the school's attendance policy, which can be found on the website.

There is no entitlement in law for pupils to take time off during the term time to go on holiday nor is it acceptable to take time off for days out, birthdays or family visits. However, the school will strive to understand and consider applications for time off in exceptional circumstances. In order to do this, we will usually need the required paperwork to be completed and returned at least **four days** prior to the event. If we are notified on the day before, retrospectively or via Studybugs etc, then these absences cannot be authorised (unless there is an unavoidable circumstance). They will be recorded on the register as either Code O: Absent in other or unknown circumstances, or Code G: Holiday not granted by the school.

In terms of punctuality, some parents and carers may not be aware that persistent, unauthorised lateness can also lead to a penalty notice. Any child arriving more than 30 minutes after registration will be recorded as Code U: Arrived in school after registration closed.

The law states that there is a single consistent national threshold for when a Penalty Notice must be considered by ALL schools in England, this is:

- 10 sessions (usually equivalent to 5 school days) of unauthorised absence (O , G or U code) within a rolling 10 school week period. The 10-school week period can span different terms or school years.
- These sessions do not have to be consecutive and can be made up of a combination of any type of unauthorised absence (O,G or U)

We are aware that some absences and lateness cannot be avoided and we would prefer to work with parents to avoid any possibility of penalty notices but in order to do this we would appreciate your cooperation in respect of the requirements of the Attendance Policy. Please complete any appropriate paperwork within a workable timeframe, and please try to ensure that punctuality becomes a habit for your child.

Thank you

Plant Sale

We are collecting plants for Mrs Jowers' plant sale. They can be vegetable or flowering. If you have grown too many or have a spare tray of something, please donate it to us. We will also be happy with single plants. You can take your donations to either school office. Thank you.

School Meals

Week commencing 15th June we will be eating meals from menu 3. Menus can be seen on our website. <https://www.prettygateschools.co.uk/lunch-menus> Please ensure you have ordered meals for the term ahead.

Holiday Activities and Food Vouchers (HAF)

If your child is currently entitled to free school meals, you will be receiving your HAF voucher by email on Monday 22nd June. This will allow you to access free holiday clubs for your child during the summer break.





Friday ARK Assemblies

Each Friday we hold an assembly to celebrate our school values of ambition, respect and kindness. Each week, class teachers choose one child from their class who has demonstrated all three values consistently. A certificate is presented in the assembly and their parents are invited to come along. See the photos of this week's winners below!

Class	Name of Child
RB	Niall S
RLI	Carried forward
1T	Carried forward
1S	Isaac S
2MB	Miel C
2T	Callie R
3FJ	Henry C
3G	Robin H-S
4K	Carried forward
4M	Oliver S
5D	Lewis M
5RG	Aleya B
6L	Nathan S
6MH	Tyler M



House Points:

Jupiter – 360	1st
Mars – 240	2nd
Pluto – 209	3rd
Venus – 149	4th