



Friday 24th April

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a super week here at school with this lovely weather, perfect timing with lots of the clubs restarting! Please remember to send in a sun hat and apply sun cream to keep your children safe during the sunny day at school. We do have navy blue school sun hats available for sale at £4.25 each from the school office should you require one.

Free 'Come and try' Weekend at Waterland

I have been made aware of a free watersports trial session which you and your children might like to attend this weekend. It is at Waterland, Lake 32, Keynes Park on both Saturday and Sunday. This might be something your children would like to try for free this weekend whatever the weather!

Star Challenge for Parents and children at home- a reminder (please)

Thank you very much for those I have already received, but I would love some more responses so I can make a display in the hall. Here is the challenge again for you:

Can you and your child have a think about what makes a **successful learner**. We will be displaying your work soon in our hall. Try any level of challenge from the star challenge (one star, two star or Wow) below- on A4 sized paper or card please. Be as creative as you like.



Design an AK Learning Superhero



Write down all the learning powers you need to be a successful learner (e.g. ask questions, persevere, be a good listener, be independent, be organised etc.)

WOW- Draw your AK learning superhero and surround them with the learning powers you think a successful learner needs, as an A4 poster

Please remind your child to name their work on the front so when displayed, we can see who it belongs to.

Parent & Carer Questionnaire

Thank you so much for your feedback to the questionnaire I gave to you after the last Heroes and Heroines assembly. If you weren't there and would like to complete one, please come and see me. I gave out a series of OFSTED questions for parents to grade and give me and the school some mid-year feedback. The results show we have lots as a school to be proud of; areas where we are shining brightly. As always, we are constantly striving to be the best we can be so we are looking at a few areas on the feedback forms to see how we can improve.

I will choose one area at a time to feedback on over the coming weeks. I would like to start with the question about transition and the school providing a smooth transition between classes and key stages:

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The school makes sure my child is well prepared for the future (transition to next class/keystage/school) The response from parents/carers was 70% always and 30% mostly. To improve this, the staff and I would like to build in meet and greet sessions across the school for September to give you opportunity to meet the next class teacher and find out about the year ahead. I know the infant classes do this, but we would like to start offering this across junior classes as well. This will be in addition to our annual Open evening where the school will be open to all in July. See below for details.

Dates for your diaries:

At this very busy time of year when lots is happening, please check the calendar on our school website to check you have all of the upcoming dates. Here are some new dates:

Wed 8 th July	5 - 7 pm Open Evening - all welcome
Tues 14 th July	2 - 3 pm School music concert in school hall - all welcome
Wed 15 th July	Annual Reports to parents 'Moving up day' - pupils to meet their new teachers
Friday 17 th July	9.00 am Heroes and Heroines assembly - all welcome
Tues 21 st July	Dressing Down Day - Jeans for Genes (one of our Year 6 pupils is raising money for Prader-Willi Association). 50p donation to wear something denim. 11.00 am Year 6 Leavers' service in school hall 1.30 pm Mums/dads v Year 6 rounders match
Wed 22 nd July	TD Day - school closed
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Tuesday 1 st September	Advance warning: TD (Teacher Training Day) day- school closed to pupils.
Wednesday 9 th September	3.45-4.45 Meet and Greet Session for parents and carers of all classes to aid with transition.
Wed 21 st Oct	TD Day - School Closed
Friday 12 th Feb	TD Day - School Closed

There are two more teacher training day dates to organise for next year which will follow shortly. All dates can be found on our website in the calendar. www.akps.org.uk

Have a lovely weekend,

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