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- ✦ **School Reports:** We will be sending the end of year pupil reports home on Friday 9th July. Please acknowledge receipt using the reply slip enclosed.
- ✦ **Timings for Last Day of Term:** To ease the congestion at the access points at the end of the day on Tuesday 20th July, we have decided to stagger times for picking up children. Pick up Foundation Stage and Year 1 and 2 at 1.05 pm. Years 3 and 4 at 1.15 pm and Years 5 and 6 at 1.25 pm. For your convenience, you will be allowed to pick up older siblings from their classes straight after meeting your youngest child.
- ✦ **Year 5 Residential Trip in Year 6:** We are pleased to announce that the current year 5s have a five-day residential trip planned for 8th to 12th November 2021. We have let parents know in advance as the deposit is required by 12th July, to secure a place for their child. Payment is via Schoolmoney. There will be a Zoom information meeting on Tuesday 6th July at 4 pm. Invite will be emailed.
- ✦ **Year 6 BBQ party:** To celebrate the end of their time at The Winchcombe School, we will be having a fun BBQ on the afternoon of Monday 19th July. Children will still need a lunch as usual. A £2 contribution towards food and drink is appreciated, payable on Schoolmoney. At 3.45 pm, one parent per family, is invited to attend the trophy and year book presentation. May we remind those parents to keep socially distanced at all times.
- ✦ **Year 6 Production / Year 6 Steel Pans:** As we are unable to invite parents in to watch the production "Olivia", we will record it and send out a link to Year 6 parents. The same applies to the Gifted and Talented steel pans group who have been coming in early and practising hard every week.
- ✦ **Staff Leavers:** We are very sad to say goodbye to Miss Stokes our ELSA support. We really appreciate her sunny smile, her dedication to school life and the wellbeing of all our children. We also say goodbye to Mr Glasby our IT technician, who comes to our rescue whenever our computers say "no"! We wish them both well in their future careers.
- ✦ **Gifts for Staff:** Parents often like to give their child's class teachers and assistants a token of their appreciation at the end of the school year. We can once again accept gifts given directly to the staff members, unlike last July when COVID regulations were stricter.
- ✦ **Year 6 Woodland Ways Camping:** The children and staff all had the most amazing time away – they were kept busy the entire time!
- ✦ **Past Times Workshops:** Years 3, 4 and 6 had fun immersing themselves in the lives of the ancient Greeks, the Vikings, Saxons and Mayans this week. Robbie from Past Times came into school to entertain and educate the children.
- ✦ **Sports Days:** Despite having to re-arrange one day due to the rain, we had perfect weather for the school sports days. It was disappointing that parents could not be there to cheer their children on, however the children all performed to the best of their abilities and enjoyed the day!
- ✦ **Race for Life:** Once again we will be taking part in this fundraising event for Cancer Research UK, on Friday 16th July. The children can come in pink or red sports clothing or their PE kit and will take part in some fun obstacle races. A letter with details of how to donate went out last week. The link to donate is: [Race For Life - Cancer Research UK - The Winchcombe School Donation Page](#)
- ✦ **School Uniform Policy:** We recently sent out the updated school uniform policy via email to parents and carers. Please have a look at it (downloadable from the school website under Parents / Uniform - [winchcombe.w-berks.sch.uk/parents/uniform](http://www.winchcombe.w-berks.sch.uk/parents/uniform)).

- Lost Property:** We are still getting quite a few articles of UN-NAMED lost property handed in. PLEASE ensure you NAME EVERY ITEM OF CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT so that we can get them back to their owners. We put unclaimed items out at the end of each term on tables outside the front office. Please keep checking these as items are added daily. Any items that are not claimed will be disposed of or recycled.

Dates for 2020-21	
JULY	
Monday 5th	Whole School Transition Morning
Monday 5th	Foundation 1 and 2 new parent & child Stay and Play sessions
Tuesday 6th	Year 5 parents Zoom meeting re: Residential trip – 4 pm
Friday 9th	School Reports out to parents
Friday 16th	Race for Life Day
Monday 19th	Year 6 BBQ (after lunch) and Presentation - 3.45 pm
Tuesday 20th	Last Day of Term. Finish times: FS/Y1&2 – 1.05 pm Y3 & 4 – 1.15 pm Y5 & 6 – 1.25 pm
SUMMER HOLIDAY – Wednesday 21st July – Wednesday 1st September Inclusive	

New Dates for 2021-22: Please note we have changed a few of the holiday dates from those advertised on the West Berkshire council website. See table below - those in red are the changes.

Term 1	Thursday 2 nd September 2021 – Friday 22nd October 2021
Holiday	25/10/21 – 1/11/21
Term 2	Tuesday 2nd November 2021 – Friday 17 th December 2021
Holiday	20/12/21 – 4/1/22
Term 3	Wednesday 5 th January 2022 – Friday 18 th February 2022
Holiday	21/02/22 – 25/02/22
Term 4	Monday 28 th February 2022 – Thursday 7 th April 2022
Holiday	8/04/22 – 22/04/22
Term 5	Tuesday 26th April – Friday 27th May 2022
Holiday	30/05/22 – 03/06/22
Term 6	Monday 6 th June – Thursday 21 st July 2022