**Weekly SchoolComms e-mail – Thursday 15th June 2017**

Dear All,

Please find attached the weekly SchoolComms e-mail. Thank you.

LUNCH MENU FOR W/C 19th June 2017 IS WEEK 3.

A reminder that all dinner money must be handed in, on a Monday morning, to the class teacher. The money must be in an envelope, marked with the days the lunches are required, and the child’s name. Thank you.

**ALL**

**Reminder - Sports Day – Friday 16.06.17**

Sports day will take place this year on Friday 16th June (tomorrow). Year R, 1 and 2 will take part in their events and races in the morning and Yr 3-6 in the afternoon, with teams competing in their houses for the Sports Day Trophies! Children should come to school dressed ready in their PE kits and there is no need to bring their school uniform. Parents and relatives are of course welcome to come and watch the children taking part in their races and can stay for a picnic lunch which will take place on the field. School dinners will be provided as usual but the children will be able to take their food outside in ‘take-away’ containers to eat with their families. If your child is not having a school dinner, please send them in with a packed lunch as usual in case the picnic is cancelled due to bad weather – you can always bring extra treats along with you! Please note that no alcohol is permitted on the school grounds.

The morning events will begin at 9:30am and the school gate will be open until this time. For safety reasons, any one arriving after this time will have to enter via the school office. The gate will re-open at 12:00pm and remain open until KS2 sports day begins at 1:00pm. Once again, the school gate will be locked during the event but you will still be able to enter via the school office. Fingers crossed for nice weather but if it rains, we have a reserve date of Friday 23rd June.

During the afternoon KS2 Sports Day, the EYFS and KS1 children will be in class as usual, with the normal end of school collection time of 3:10pm.

**Sports News:**

I am delighted to say that after qualifying from their local heat, the year 3 and 4 tennis teams took part in the area finals and finished in first and second place! Huge congratulations to the members of both teams – they are all very talented!

This afternoon saw our KS2 cross country event take place on the playing fields and EYFS & KS1 event on the school field. All the children put in a fantastic effort and it was a pleasure to hand out medals for the fastest boy and girl in each KS2 class and ‘Best Effort’ medals to selected children in all classes throughout the school. I would also like to commend the children for the level of sportsmanship across both of these events. It was lovely to see all children happy for medal winners and no one getting upset. Well done everyone!

**Celebration & Award events:**

Following some questions about the nomination forms that were sent home last week, I’d just like to take this opportunity to clear up some potential misunderstandings. The nomination forms were designed as a chance for you and your child to highlight any achievements that you felt were worthy of recognition. The teachers will still be selecting the award winners but the nominations were a chance to draw our attention to something we may have missed (e.g. acts of friendship in the playground). A child may still be selected by teachers for an award even if they receive no nomination forms while receiving many nominations would not necessarily mean a child would get an award. There is absolutely no obligation to nominate but if you would like to, please could you hand your form in by Monday 3rd July.

**Frozen Frubes for Sale Monday 19th June**

Please note that Yr 6 will be selling frozen Frubes at breaktime next week starting Monday 19th June. They will cost 50 pence each. Please bring your pennies in.

**NO Netball Club Monday 19th June**

Please note that there is no netball club next week (Monday 19th June), as there is a match at Highfields.

**NO Gymnastics Club on 28th June**

Please note that there will be no after school gymnastics club on Wednesday 28th June.

**Children’s End of Year Reports**

Please be aware that if you require a second report you must supply the school office with a stamped addressed envelope to the parent that the report is for. We will be unable to forward on a second report unless the above is supplied.

**School Office Letter Box**

A letter box has been installed in the foyer near the school office (underneath the board with the staff photos). Letters and payments to the school office can be placed in this letter box – please ensure all envelopes are sealed and marked with your child’s name and details of what the payment is for/who the letter is for. Thank you for your cooperation. Envelopes can still be sent in to school with your children and passed to the class teacher.

**Reminder - Pupil Premium Funding**

Please note that if you wish to complete a Pupil Premium Funding & Free School Meals form they need to be returned to the School Office by Friday 16th June . Please see attached form.

**Reminder - Parent Governor Vacancy**

Please note that if you would like to stand for election please arrange for the attached nomination form to be completed and returned to the school office no later than **Tuesday 20th June 2017.**

**After School Athletics Club – Wednesday – LAST one was Wed 14.06.17**

A reminder that yesterday (Wednesday 14th June) was the LAST Athletics after school Club.

**Parent Group - Film Club**

The last two events have been a great success. These are the last for this school year but we will have more after the Summer break.

Thank you to all of the ladies who have helped during the year. We wouldn't be able to do it without you.

Carole, Jessie, Louise, and Rachel

**OTHER NEWS**

**Message from Dedham Arts Group**

As many of you may know, paintings by Dedham Primary School children will feature at an art exhibition being organised by Dedham Arts Group to be held at Dedham Parish Church during the October half term.   The exhibition is in aid of East Anglia’s Children’s Hospices.

Estate agents, Fenn Wright, have kindly offered to put up signs in the area, advertising the event.   Boards will go up 3 – 4 weeks beforehand, and those situated in and close to Dedham are likely to be the most effective.   Although the exhibition is still a little way off, Fenn Wright have asked for a list of addresses as soon as possible.

If you are willing for a board to be placed in your front garden, could you please contact Jill Wilson, Secretary, Dedham Arts Group, with full details of your postal address, including postcode, by the end of June.  Jill’s e-mail address is:  jillraeburn@btinternet.com

Many thanks.

**PIRATES AHOY!**

**Holiday Club - Dedham & Ardleigh Parishes – 31 July – 4 August 2017**

Registration & Consent Form attached.

Thank you.