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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Attendance – Winners of the Smith Cup this week is Mulberry Class with an attendance of 99.4% - very well done to you all.

Green Cards – The class which has won the most Green Cards for good deeds, outstanding behaviour and academic achievement this week is Aspen who have, therefore, earned themselves a non-uniform day on Wednesday 19th July – well done.

Newbarn Residential Trip - Could we please ask that all medical forms are returned to school by Wednesday next week at the latest. Thank you.

Sporting News – After a morning worrying about whether the track would be too wet, the sun shone for us and it was lovely to see so many smiling competitors and their supporters. Thank you, as always, to everyone who makes this event possible, from the children for participating, to the Bishops Boys for lending a helping hand, and not to mention the staff and you, our parents, who come along and cheer. Very many congratulations to Blue House who (when the morning activities' results are added to the Sports Day result using a formula that would make Peter Snow's election night specials look straight forward) were the overall winners. However, we, as ever, do think all of the children are winners given the 100% effort and positivity they put into the day. An especial round of applause goes to Miss Fletcher, not only for organising the afternoon session, but for spending the preceding 24 hours doing the sun-dance to ensure it could go ahead after all.

Parents Evening – It was great to see so many of you, again, at the parent consultations last night. I would like to thank all of you who made such positive comments about the provision which is helping your children achieve so much. Don't forget, if you weren't able to come last night, and would like to speak to your child's teacher, please do let us know.

A Plea from Mrs T – Mrs Trendall, the HC3S unit manager, informs us that, after serving many thousands of meals this year, there are still a considerable number of payments owing to the kitchen for those meals. Further debt letters will have come home today, please don't just keep them as a souvenir; if you have received a debt letter please ensure that you settle with us on Monday – otherwise School has to take money from the budget (which is meant to be spent on your children's education).

MDSA Vacancies - If you would be interested in working as an MDSA each lunchtime, please pop into Reception and collect an application form.

Health & Safety Notices

Important and worth Repeating - please have a conversation with your child/ren if they travel to school by bike or scooter. We have had some really near misses, it won't just be your child's life which is ruined or yours. How would you feel if you were unlucky enough to have a child pull out in front of you without looking. We do not want you or anyone else to be in that position. Please also, of course, be aware if you are travelling to school by car, and look out for these dangers.

Water Bottles – Again – and Again - we still have a number of children requesting plastic cups for drinking water at the moment. Not only is this disruptive as they need to come out of class to ask for them, but they are also leaving them on the drinks fountain and, no doubt, sharing round some lovely germs (especially in this nice hot weather). **Please can you make sure that your child has a drinks bottle in school so that they have easy access to hydration, all day long, not least in this current heat.**

HSA news:

AGM - The date of the next AGM is Monday 21st September, at 7pm in the Junior School Library, followed by an HSA Committee meeting at 7:30pm. You are all invited to attend.

Cheese and Wine Social – Reminder - the HSA are pleased to announce that, following the success of last year's event, they are planning another Cheese and Wine night with live music on Friday 13th October 8-10pm in the Infant's School Hall. Save the date in your diaries, tickets will be on sale in September.

Notices:

Community News: -

Don't Forget Harnham Garden Society – will be holding their Summer Show tomorrow at the Harnham Church Hall, Lower Street. Good luck to all those entering.

Go Active Summer Camp – 21st to 25th August 2017 – go to www.goactive.org to book your space.

Starcast Performing Arts Schools are very excited to announce the opening of new Starcast Dance Classes for all children aged 18 months to 18 years including Acrobatic, Beginners Tap, Beginners Ballet, and Baby Ballet. They also have a super Dance Class for Adults if you Mums and Dads want to give it a go! They would also like to let you know that Starcast have a fabulous Summer Workshop from 14 – 18th August - where children and teens will take Drama, Singing and Dance Classes with top professional teachers.

For more information on how to join please go to our website www.starcastperformingarts.co.uk or email samholloway123@btinternet.com

Steeple Langford Cricket Club – are running their Summer Fun Camp from Monday 31st to Wednesday 2nd August. Full details are on the attached flyer or contact andyfoyle@hotmail.com

South Wilts Cricket Club – are running 3 camps this summer from 9am until 1pm each day from Wednesday 26th to Friday 28th July, Wednesday 9th to Friday 11th August and Wednesday 23rd to Friday 25th August. For full details please contact robert.wade@chartltd.co.uk.

As we enter our last week of term – we thought it would be helpful to remind you of some dates:

Year 6 Leavers Party – Wednesday 19th July 2017 in the School Hall

Year 6 Leavers Service – Thursday 20th July 2017 in the School Hall

Last Day of Term – Thursday 20th July 2017 (we break up at 3.15pm as usual)

School Returns – Tuesday 5th September 2017.

With Kind Regards

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