



# Newsletter

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## Dear Parents, Carers and Children

Here we are writing our penultimate newsletter of the year.

Induction Day is next week, Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July. We wish our Year 6s successful visits to their respective secondary schools and look forward to hearing about their day.

All other North Downs year groups will be moving up into their September classes with their new teachers - details of which will be sent home on Monday. Please refer to our parent mailing of 8<sup>th</sup> June for specifics of the day's arrangements.

Year 2 will be joined by our small September Year 3 intake, as well as one or two single children joining other year groups, so do make them all feel welcome please. A warm welcome too, to our new Reception intake at Betchworth and Brockham sites; after two very successful 'Stay & Play' sessions for them this week, they join us for induction too.



In Early Years maths is everywhere, every day - and here are some of the many ways that Caterpillars are learning about it....without even knowing they are!

Our Junior and Infant sports days last week were successful and enjoyable occasions, thank you for coming to support your children. The weather was kind and the children enthusiastic, both as participants and spectators. So much so that their 'cheering-on' of their team mates could be heard across the fields at our Betchworth site!



## REMINDERS AND DATES

**INSET Days 2018-2019:** please note that these are available now on our Diary Dates page.

**Betchworth Footpath Closure:** we have heard from UK Power Networks that they have a major upgrade planned for the summer which will require the footpath behind the Betchworth school site (running from The Walled Garden up to Old Road at Betchworth Post Office) to be closed from 23<sup>rd</sup> July to 20<sup>th</sup> August. The work itself is taking place in and around the parking field area behind the school, which will also be out of bounds. This won't affect pupils at Betchworth as the works are to be completed in the school holiday.

## OTHER NEWS

**Swimsense Summer Crash Course:** 23<sup>rd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> July at North Downs, Brockham site, in half hour sessions for children aged 3+. Choose to attend for three or more days of this five day course at a cost of £8 per session. Booking required please, to [emiller5253@gmail.com](mailto:emiller5253@gmail.com).

**Holiday Technology Camp:** on 20<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> August at North Downs, Brockham site. The camp is for ages 7 to 12, at a cost of £95 for the two days. For further details contact [info@nextthing.education](mailto:info@nextthing.education) or call 01442 873150; or to register your child please go to: [www.nextthing.education/hc](http://www.nextthing.education/hc).

**Summer Tennis Camps:** at Dorking Lawn Tennis & Squash Club from 23<sup>rd</sup> July to 27<sup>th</sup> August for ages 4 to 16. To book, or for more information, contact [dorkingtennis@gmail.com](mailto:dorkingtennis@gmail.com) or phone Ali on 07941 266155 or Brian on 07712 557076.

**Summer Cricket Coaching Week:** at Newdigate Cricket Club 13<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup> August for ages 5+. £30 per day/£130 for five days. For more information or to book contact: Andrew Major on 07808 590356 or at [Andrew@seaspace-int.com](mailto:Andrew@seaspace-int.com).

**Summer Netball Camps:** 22<sup>nd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> August at Reigate Grammar School. Day courses for different age groups 7 to 16. To book [www.visionarysportsacademy.co.uk](http://www.visionarysportsacademy.co.uk) or contact [netball@visionarysportsacademy.co.uk](mailto:netball@visionarysportsacademy.co.uk).

**Sisters 'n' Sport Netball Classes:** bookings are being taken now for autumn Sunday morning classes at The Hawthorns School. See [www.sistersnsport.com](http://www.sistersnsport.com). Use code BTU577 to save 10% on your booking.



Many congratulations to Lily and Emily (5MB).

Following training sessions at The Ashcombe, the girls took part in the recent Surrey Youth Games Badminton Tournament, getting through to the quarter finals!

Here they are with their certificates and SYG T-shirts.



As you can see, we had a wonderful evening and night for our Year 3 camp last week. It was very much enjoyed by all, with all the traditional camping activities, down to toasting marshmallows at the camp fire. As for the luxurious tents...well camping wasn't like that when we were children!

## FRIENDS' MATTERS

If you wish to contact FONDS directly, please use the following email address - [fonds@northdowns.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:fonds@northdowns.surrey.sch.uk)

Alternatively, you can keep up-to-date by 'friend requesting' on Facebook: Friends of North Downs School

Always remember to check the updated Diary Dates on the following page

*(Note: dates in italics have been added or changed/updated this week)*

Yours sincerely

JL Douglas

Finally

Enjoy your weekend



### Summer Term 2018

w/c Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jul	Last week of NDPS Clubs
Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jul	Whole School Induction Day
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> July	'Rainbow' Mufti Day (part of Year 6 Charity Week) - all donations to Tadworth Trust
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> Jul	Year 6 PGL Assembly
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Charity Event 3pm-4pm (part of Year 6 Charity Week)
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> Jul	Year 5 Hampton Court Assembly
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> Jul	Year 6 Leavers' Disco
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> Jul	Gold Star Assembly Leigh (by invitation)
Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> Jul	Gold Star Assembly Brockham (by invitation)
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Jul	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Jul	Children's last day
	Early Closure: R/KS1 - 1pm KS2 - 1.15pm
Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup> Jul	INSET 5 of 5

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