



# Newsletter

Term: SUMMER 2015

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Date: 5<sup>th</sup> June

Dear Parents, Carers and Children

Thankfully our annual Maypole celebrations on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May were blessed with a little sunshine - compared to last year's dancing in the rain! Our 2014 May Kings and Queens (Jude, Rory, Alice and Elyse) handed over their titles to the newly appointed Kings and Queens - Alysia and Blake from Leigh and Emily and Sammy from Brockham. All of the children did a great job and made us very proud. The crowning was followed by excellent dancing from all year groups, with a special well done to Ladybirds and Caterpillars - they looked so grown up dancing in public for the first time. We were especially proud of our Year 6 children who performed their last dances as North Downs' pupils. We hope you enjoyed the afternoon - and with the added bonus of a FONDS' Pimms Tent too!



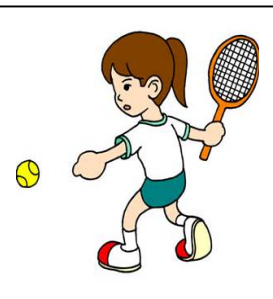
Year 1 visited Bockett's Farm last half term.

We learnt a lot about the animals we saw there - and as you can see, we had lots of fun!



## Other News

**Dorking Lawn Tennis and Squash Club Open Day:** Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June 10am-3pm. Come and try tennis, squash, table tennis, ball machine or a fastest serve competition. Free coaching sessions for all abilities and ages (from 4 years upwards). All equipment will be provided - all you need is a pair of trainers and any suitable clothing. A family day out, where everyone age 4+ can take part. A BBQ, soft drinks, licensed bar and tea with home-made cakes in the afternoon. All will be given a very warm welcome! Roman Road, Dorking, RH4 3ET. For further details contact Rachel Halton, Club Administrator, on [rachel.halton@gmail.com](mailto:rachel.halton@gmail.com).



## Friends' Matters

**Midsummer Night's Ball:** about half the tickets have been sold, so order yours now for a fun evening at Betchworth Golf Club and to help raise a fantastic sum of money that will go towards enhancing your children's future education.

Hamper lists are up for the following please: **Betchworth - a bottle of plonk; Leigh - BBQ items; and Brockham - 'Ladies and Gents'**. Please donate something for your site's hamper/s if at all possible. Raffle tickets for these Luxury Hampers will be in bags today. Please buy/sell your tickets and return money and stubs to FONDS c/o your site rep or school office.

Meanwhile, 'Silent Auction' donations are flowing in, but if you have anything to add we would be very grateful. We need your support to make this as successful an event as possible!

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

## Reminders / Dates

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

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

**Parking at Betchworth/Safeguarding:** a recent incident near the school site at Betchworth resulted in damage to a vehicle, but could easily have involved a child. Please show especial care when arriving and departing from areas where children will be on foot. We also take this opportunity to ask you to show consideration for our neighbours and other road users when parking please. Further to this point, Betchworth Parish Council has written to ask North Downs to reinforce to parents that The Walled Garden is a private road and should not be used for school parking. Parking for our Betchworth Village site is St Michael's Church car park, with the short and pleasant walk across Goulburn Green.

**School clothing:** a large number of children have come to school this week with inadequate clothing for the school day. No coat - and sometimes no sweatshirt either! We have a few spare coats and sweatshirts available to lend to a cold child, but completely insufficient for the numbers required this week! Please be sure your child comes to school with suitable clothing for the weather.

### NDPS CAKE SALE!

Time to put your pinafore on and bake, bake, bake!

School Council has planned a cake sale in order to raise money to upgrade the paintwork in some of our cloakrooms. For this to be a success we need able bakers from each class to bake some cakes for us to sell.

Please bring your cakes to your class on the day (at Brockham, your school council rep will transfer them to the infant kitchen).

Don't forget to bring some money to spend after school!

DATE: 18.06.2015

TIME/WHERE: Straight after school at each base



Yours sincerely

*A.J. Ewing*

Finally

**Have a good weekend**



## Summer Term 2015

w/c June 8 <sup>th</sup>	Yr 6 at Windmill Hill (PGL)
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Caterpillars & Ladybirds - seaside visit to Goring
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Beetles Assembly 9.15am
Friday June 19 <sup>th</sup>	3M Assembly 9.15am
Tuesday June 23 <sup>rd</sup>	EYFS / KS1 Sports Day - all at Brockham all day
Wednesday June 24 <sup>th</sup>	New Reception Parents' Meeting - 7pm
Thursday June 25 <sup>th</sup>	KS2 Sports Day
Friday June 26 <sup>th</sup>	5MS Assembly 9.15am
Tuesday June 30 <sup>th</sup>	Induction Day for all pupils (incl. transferring to new schools)
Friday July 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Dragonflies Assembly 9.15am Dorking Halls Music Concert
Week of July 6 <sup>th</sup>	Last week of NDPS clubs
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Caterpillars Assembly 9.15am
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 2 - visit to Brooklands
Friday July 10 <sup>th</sup>	Ladybirds Assembly 9.15am School reports sent home
Week of July 13 <sup>th</sup>	Last week of swimming
Tuesday July 14 <sup>th</sup>	Betchworth Gold Stars 9.15am
Wednesday July 15 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Consultation (plus children) Leigh / Betchworth 3.30 - 6pm. Brockham 5 - 7.30pm
Thursday July 16 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Consultation (plus children) Leigh / Betchworth 5 - 7.30pm Brockham 3.30 - 6pm
Thursday July 16 <sup>th</sup>	Leigh Gold Stars 9.15am
Friday July 17 <sup>th</sup>	Brockham Gold Stars 9.15am
Friday July 17 <sup>th</sup>	Yr6 Leavers' celebration and BBQ 5pm
Monday July 20 <sup>th</sup>	INSET: school closed
Tuesday July 21 <sup>st</sup>	INSET: school closed

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INSET DAYS: 1<sup>st</sup>) 02/09/2014 2<sup>nd</sup>) 03/09/2014 3<sup>rd</sup>) 05/01/2015 4<sup>th</sup>) 20/07/2015 5<sup>th</sup>) 21/07/2015

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