



# Newsletter

Term: SUMMER 2015

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Dear Parents, Carers and Children

The last week of the summer term is fast approaching, with Parent Consultation Evenings and Gold Star Assemblies for invited parents of children receiving a Gold Star Award.

Before the end of term, we will also be presenting attendance certificates. These will be given to children who have achieved 100% attendance from the start of the 2014-2015 academic year (or their start date at North Downs if later) up to the summer half term on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2015.

Meanwhile, your child's Progress Report will be coming home with them today. Next week's consultation appointment will be an opportunity to ask any questions you may have.

We remind you that we will not be sending children's exercise books home this year except for Reception Learning Journey's and Year 6 Art Portfolios and sketchbooks.

Our final newsletter of term will be next week, but before then, a reminder that school closes early on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July for the summer break (see Diary Dates for times).

## Next Year!

Breakfast Club at Brockham and Early Birds Clubs at Betchworth & Leigh resume on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September, as does Moles After-School Club at Brockham.

Breakfast Club runs from 8am to 8.40am at a cost of £3.50 per session.

Early Birds Clubs run from 8am to 8.40 at a cost of £2.00 per session (due to a lack of catering facilities at Betchworth & Leigh we are unable to supply breakfast, but are very happy to supervise a packed breakfast).

Moles After-School Club runs Monday to Thursday (NOT Fridays) from 3.15pm to 6pm at a cost of £10 per session. This club is open to children from all sites, but is the parent's responsibility to arrange transport across from Betchworth or Leigh.

If you would be interested in your child joining one or more of these clubs next year, please see a member of staff.



6C is pleased to introduce you to their new chicks!



Meanwhile, don't panic, there's no cause for alarm! What looks like an episode of mass-fainting on Brockham school field is in fact 6C showing that it is not just chicks they can care for - here they are engaged in their First-Aid training...and remarkably proficient they look too!

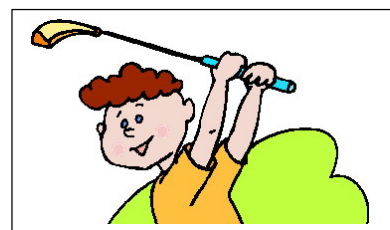
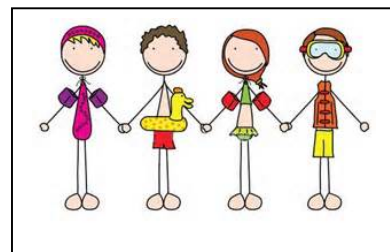
## Other News

Swimsense Summer Swimming Courses -  
3 day course 22-24th July/5 day course 27-31 July

Bookings are being taken for these courses which are suitable for all children age 3 upwards, complete non-swimmers, and beginners up to intermediates. Courses run in the mornings with half hour classes with groups to suit all abilities and with the teachers in the water. For beginners emphasis is placed on water confidence, safety, basic strokes and flotation. All children are encouraged to try new skills and to develop independence in the water. Intermediate swimmers will go through each stroke concentrating on full technique with a view to achieving a proficient swimming style in the water as well as working on water skills.

Those who attend North Downs Primary have priority but this course is open to children attending other schools and to younger siblings where appropriate.

All bookings directly to Emma Miller please - [emma@emmamiller.demon.co.uk](mailto:emma@emmamiller.demon.co.uk).



**Betchworth Park Golf Club:** is running a free golf hour on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> July at 10am, sponsored by HSBC. All balls and equipment will be supplied and the first 20 children will receive a T-Shirt or Cap. This is being run to coincide with the Open Championship which is being played over the same time. This will give children a chance to try golf and perhaps encourage some of them to take up the sport.

If you would be interested in attending, please email [tom@tombridger.co.uk](mailto:tom@tombridger.co.uk).

## Friends' Matters

What a year this has been! With your support FONDS has made just over a whopping £11,000!! We have been able to buy an additional 8 electronic tablets to the 8 we originally purchased - so job well done!

### Upcoming Events

Nearly New Sale: Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September 3pm-5pm. £10 a TABLE email FONDS if interested.

Teas on the Green: Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September.

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)*

**School Meals - Changes to Meal Choice:** you are reminded that one week's notice is required in writing for any changes to your child's meal preference (school meal to packed lunch or vice versa). This means that ANY changes for September must be received in the school office before we break up! Those not received by this time will be subject to a week's notice when we return in September, i.e. changeover date commencing 10<sup>th</sup> September.

**School Meal Price Increase:** meals will increase to £2.15 per day / £10.75 per week for Key Stage 2 pupils, effective September 2015.

Children entering Year 3 in September 2015 are reminded that their child will no longer be eligible for the Universal Free School Meal, and payment will be due in advance for meals taken.

**School Meal Costs:** for next half term - 3rd September to 23rd October are

Years 3, 5 7 6 - £79.55

Year 4 - £73.10\*

(\*after deduction for residential in trip in October)

**Free Fruit Scheme:** all infant pupils (Years R to 2) receive a complimentary piece of fruit daily. Pupils in KS2 (Years 3 to 6) are invited to bring their own piece of fruit daily.

**Leigh Flower Show:** on Sat 18<sup>th</sup> July. Many infants have entered a class through school, but if your child would like to enter, visit [www.ldcgs.co.uk](http://www.ldcgs.co.uk). Children's classes are on p29-30 of the summer show schedule. Entries need to be in by next Thursday.

Yours sincerely



## Finally

Enjoy the Brockham Victorian Fair - and don't forget to visit the Village Hall over the weekend to see our Art Club's exhibition. Open Saturday and Sunday afternoons.



## Summer Term 2015

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>	Year 6 Leavers' Celebration 5pm
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Last Day of Term for pupils. Early closure: 1pm Infants 1.15pm Juniors
Monday July 20 <sup>th</sup>	INSET: school closed to pupils
Tuesday July 21 <sup>st</sup>	INSET: school closed to pupils

### Term and Holiday Dates 2014/2015

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