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Dear Parents,

This week, children from Year 1 to 4 participated in informative internet safety sessions led by the Police Safety Team. An evening safety session was also held for parents and carers with children at Rushcombe. In addition our Year 1 children are visiting Leeson House today and a group of children from Year 3 and 4 recently represented the school at a meeting of the local pyramid school council.

## Open Afternoons

This week, Year 4 had their open afternoon and next week Year 3 will be having their open afternoon on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> July from 3.05pm. This is an opportunity for your child/ren to show you around their classroom and share the work they have been involved in this term. We look forward to seeing you at this event.

## Sports Afternoon

We look forward to welcoming you to the whole school sport afternoon on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July from 12.30 pm which will combine skill based activities and a range of races for both individuals and teams.

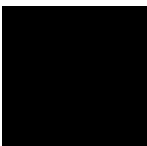
## Annual Reports and Parent Consultations

The children will be bringing home their annual reports on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July. There will be an opportunity for you to discuss your child's report at the Parent Teacher Consultations being held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> July, 3.20 - 6.10 pm. If you wish to make an appointment to see your child's class teacher, please sign up on the classroom list which will be available after school on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> July.

## Summer Fair

As you aware, the Friends of Rushcombe are busy organising the Summer Fair which will be on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July. This year, the Summer Fair will have a world football theme and as part of the day the children are allowed to dress up for the day. The children may choose to dress up in their favourite football kit, a costume from a different part of the world or they may have other ideas.

Thank you for all your donations received so far. Further donations of different items would be very much appreciated. Next week we will be happy to receive any plants or seedlings. Donations of cakes may be brought in on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July morning to your child's classroom.



The Friends would be grateful to hear from any parents who are willing to help on the day. Help is particular required to set up or tidy up afterwards, serve refreshments and look after different stalls even if you can only help for a short time, such as half an hour, your help would be appreciated.

Do come to our Summer Fair on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July from 3.05 pm to 5.00 pm. Everyone is welcome. All funds raised will be used to provide further resources, equipment and opportunities for all our children. This year, we are focusing on developing the outside environment for the children.

### **Transfer Day**

On Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July, Year 4 children will attend their new schools for the whole day. Please take your child directly to their middle school. Children from Foundation and Years 1, 2 and 3 will spend some of their time with their new teachers on this day.

### **Year 4 Leavers Concert and Disco**

On Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July, Year 4 children will be having their Leavers Disco between 5.30 pm and 7.00 pm. The Year 4 Leavers Concert will be on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July in the school hall at 10.30 am and 1.45 pm. Please see separate letter for details.

The School will be presenting all Year 4 children with a Year Group photograph as this year's leaving gift at our final assembly of the year. If no additional Year 4 photographs are required, you need not take any further action. Year 4 children have already brought home their class photograph order form if you wish to purchase a class photograph.

### **Headlice**

There have been a few cases of headlice in school. Please check your child's hair regularly for any signs of adult lice or their eggs. If you do find signs of headlice, you should treat your child's hair with the appropriate treatment and check the rest of your family for any infestations. Everyone's cooperation will reduce the frequency of cases in our school.

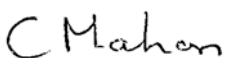
### **School Meals**

A reminder that a free school meal, in the form of a cold packed lunch, is available for the children of those parents in receipt of any of the following: Income Support, Child Tax Credit, Income-Based Job Seekers' Allowance or Employment Support Allowance. Further information is available from the school office in confidence or on the 'dorsetforyou' website at:

<http://www.dorsetforyou.com/369746>.




Please see attached for a copy of the 2010/2011 term and holiday dates for your information.

Yours sincerely



Mrs C Mahon  
Headteacher

## Next year's school dates

<b>DORSET COUNTY COUNCIL</b>				
Programme of school term and holiday dates for county and controlled schools for the academic year 2010/2011				
<b>The School Year</b>				
<b>Autumn Term 2010</b>				
	<b>September (38 days)</b>	<b>October</b>	<b>November (35 days)</b>	<b>December</b>
Monday	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25	11 18 25 22 29	6 13 20 27
Tuesday	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28
Wednesday	*1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29
Thursday	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30
Friday	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22# 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17# 24 31
Saturday	4 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25
Sunday	5 11 18 25	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26
<b>Spring Term 2011</b>				
	<b>January (34 days)</b>	<b>February</b>	<b>March (30 days)</b>	<b>April</b>
Monday	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25
Tuesday	*4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26
Wednesday	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27
Thursday	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28
Friday	7 14 21 28	4 11 18# 25	4 11 18 25	1 8# 15 22 29
Saturday	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	5 12 19 26	2 9 15 23 30
Sunday	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24
<b>Summer Term 2011</b>				
	<b>May (23 days)</b>	<b>June (35 days)</b>	<b>July</b>	<b>August/September</b>
Monday	3 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29
Tuesday	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30
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Sunday	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28 4
<b>Bank and public holidays 2009/2010</b>				
Christmas Day	27 December	Easter Monday	25 April	
Boxing Day Holiday	28 December	May Day Holiday	02 May	
New year's Day	03 January	Spring Bank Holiday	30 May	
Good Friday	22 April	Summer Bank Holiday	29 August	
		School Holidays		
* First day after break	#Last day before break	Bank Holidays		
<p>The pattern of school terms and holidays will vary slightly from school to school since 5 of the 195 days are to be used for staff development. It is therefore advisable contact schools direct for confirmation of their term dates.</p>				

Please note:

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> September: school closed for staff training

Additional training days yet to be confirmed