



Dear Families,

Oh at last the sun is shining!

A timely reminder about appropriate clothing for school...



**Safety**

- strappy shoes or flip flops are not suitable for school- closed in toes if possible
- please ensure children have shoulders covered to avoid burns
- please provide a sun hat with your child's name in

Children do not need to wear jumpers to school- if they do we will ask them to remove them so they don't get too hot.

There is access to drinking water but it really helps if children bring a bottle to school which they can refill during the day.

I expect the ice cream van will be outside school- this is out of my control but I will try to move him on if he is parked on the zig-zag lines. Please try to avoid blocking the pavement if queuing.

**Staff update**

Deep Kaur had a baby girl during the holidays. Both are very well.

The PTA will be selling "ice pops" after school sometimes when the weather is good!

On Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> there is a "BOOT SALE" in the playground 11am to 1pm- come along to buy as well as sell! This is the first event of this type so please help make it a success. Tables and spaces are still available...

The PTA are funding a gardener to run a project to help us set up our vegetable growing. if you have any seeds or plants you could donate or any time to get involved we would love to hear from you- please speak to Jo Zakiewicz or leave a message in the office.

**Community news**

Given the age of the children we haven't been actively discussing the terrible events of Monday night but have responded sensitively if it has come up in class. I know many of you will have been affected by this tragedy. If you want to talk about it or if your children are upset please let us know but, obviously given the age of the children we hope they are not too aware of the events and are not hearing too much from older brothers and sisters. The safer neighbourhood police have visited to reassure us.

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This week I have met with the manager of The Gate Community centre and Library.

There are after school clubs at The gate most days of the week

Monday table tennis

Tuesday Art & craft/ chess

Wednesday Games club/ Reading

Thursdays Science

Saturday Homework / Lego

Parents need to stay if children are under 8 years and you need to be a member of the library... posters are going up in the noticeboards

The closing for the parent governor election is MONDAY 12PM. Please use your vote for one of the four candidates.

Have a good weekend, Sarah & Staff