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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are all looking forward to gathering together for our pantomime, Aladdin, tomorrow morning in school. As we move into February we have planned to begin gathering as a whole school again on a few occasions in line with our risk assessments. We continue to have a small number of Covid cases in school, however, these have been scattered across the whole school and have remained consistently low in number.

On Wednesday, 2.2.22, our School Association would like all children to come to school wearing 2 colours and to bring 2 coins to put in their new Class Piggy Banks. Our Piggy Banks will stay in classes from Wednesday onwards and the class to fill their Piggy Bank the most times will win a prize from our School Association. This should be a bit of fun for the children whilst fundraising at the same time! Thank you to Kate Emery for creating the lovely piggy banks which each class will choose a name for!

The 2021 Family Fun Day was a great success and plans are already underway for this year's event on 10th July 2022. The Family Fun Day cannot run though without a team of volunteers and we would be grateful to hear from anyone who can help us, whether you can spare time in the run up to the event or setting up and manning a stall on the day. Anyone interested in joining the volunteer committee should email stmarysassndt2@gmail.com. We'd love to hear from you!

Clubs are underway and children seem to be enjoying their extra-curricular activities at the end of the school day. On Mondays there are still spaces on Miss Thornicroft's Board Games Club for Year 3 children and in Mrs Beale's Small World Club for Year 1 children. Please book using our Gateway App if you wish your child to join in. Gardening Club begins in March and there are a few spaces on the Wednesday Club which we will open to Year 3 children should your child be interested to join. Vickie Lawford leads the Gardening Club but would be keen to have some help. If you might be able to help with Gardening Club on either Wednesdays or Thursdays then please let us know. On Thursday 3rd March, Fiona Russell, will begin her 'Wigglets' Club in our school hall from 3pm-4pm for £3.00 per session. This will be for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children. Fiona will be supported by Emma Norman. Both Fiona and Emma are qualified teachers and are looking forward to running this new enterprise in school. Please look out for the Wigglets letter with details of how to book and pay for your child.

We'll be engaging in learning around 'Safer Internet Day' next week, an important theme for all ages! Further dates are listed below.

Yours sincerely

Naime Carter

Future Dates:

1 Feb	M & M Productions - Aladdin Pantomime- whole-school
2 Feb	2.2.22 - School Association -Non-Uniform - Children to wear 2 colours!
3 Feb	Reception Hearing Tests
4 Feb	Eco Uniform Sale 8.30-8.50am - Hall
8 Feb	Safer Internet Day
11 Feb	Dorset County Museum Trip - Singing with composer, Geoff Edge, and Gallery Tour - Year 4
18 Feb	Break -Up
21-25 Feb	Half Term
28 Feb	Staff Training Day
1 Mar	Children return to school
3 Mar	World Book Day
3 Mar	Stone Age- Iron Age - Saxons- Farming in the Past - Year 4 Workshops
4 Mar	Individual and Sibling Photographs -CHANGE OF DATE
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7-11 Mar	Parent/Teacher Consultations
10 Mar	Year 3 and 4 Trip to New Barn Field Centre - Stone Age Experience
10 Mar	Full Governing Body Meeting (3)
17 Mar	Class Assembly - Maple - 9.00am
18 Mar	Comic Relief
24 Mar	Class Assembly - Linden - 9.00am
28-30 Mar	Hooke Court - Year 4 Residential Visit
5 Apr	Full Governing Body Meeting (4)
7 Apr	Easter Service 9.00am and 2pm -School Hall
7 Apr	Last Day of Term for children
8 Apr	Staff Training Day
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25 Apr	Children return to school
3 - 24 May	Year 2 Statutory Assessments (SATs)
2 May	BANK HOLIDAY - no school
9 May	Trip to the Farm - Tinkleton - Wessex Wild - Willow Class
10 May	Trip to the Farm - Tinkleton - Wessex Wild - Oak Class
12 May	Class Group Photographs
18 May	Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra Trip - Poole Lighthouse - Year 4
19 May	Trip to the Farm - Green-Fingered Farming Day - Year 3
20 May	Trip to the Farm - Green-Fingered Farming Day - Year 4
23 May (TBC)	Trip to the Farm - The Story of your Lunchbox - Beech Class
24 May (TBC)	Trip to the Farm - The Story of your lunchbox - Maple Class
26 May	New Parents' Afternoon Tea 2.15-3.30pm
30 May-3 June	Half Term