

Dear Families,

(Please find attached an additional letter about the impact of school absence on outcomes for pupils. If you would like to discuss anything linked to this letter, please contact school to make an appointment.)

Firstly, as Cookery Club at Sand Hutton comes to an end, I would like to extend my thanks to Mrs Drummond for running this club, supported by Mrs Darling. I know just how much the children enjoy this and we look forward to this returning later in the school. (BTW> I am still waiting to sample some of these cooking creations, just so the next group of chefs are aware!)

I would like to remind parents that Harvest will be taking place for both schools on Wednesday 19th October. Warthill School will be holding theirs at 9am and could all pupils meet at church on that morning rather than come to school. School staff will escort the children back to school for the remainder of the day. Sand Hutton School will be holding theirs at 2pm at church; children can be taken home once the service has finished. Both schools will be collecting for a donation to a local food bank as mentioned in my newsletter last week. We are looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible.

You may be aware that Class 2 at Sand Hutton is planning a visit after half term. Mrs Smith and Mrs Jones may need an additional parent helper. If you are available on the day of the visit and wish to offer your help, please let one of the staff know. Should we have more helpers than we need/we can take, we will put names in a hat and choose someone for this event. Thank you in advance for your support.

We are very proud of our Year 5 and 6 pupils at Warthill for attending a sporting event today at Archbishop Holgate. How lovely to be out and about again. We do hope that they all a wonderful time!

I have just been looking ahead at dates across the school year and I am aware that I didn't share the dates of KS2 SATs week. This is a week that is set nationally and it commences on Monday 8th May.

On a different note, it has been brought to my attention that there is a game called Rainbow Friends which is described as a 'horror experience'. Whilst there appear to be mixed reviews on the age suitability (3+) please be aware children accessing it may find its content upsetting. In line with our continued online safety messages, we encourage all parents to be vigilant.

Finally, next Friday will be the last for this half term. School will finish at the usual end of the day time (not early). School will reopen on Monday 31st October.

With every best wish,

Headteacher

Beverley Pawson

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