



**Diary Dates:**

- NO ART CLUB 2<sup>nd</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> March**
- 27/2/17 Y8 Visit National Gallery**
- 2/3/17 World Book Day**
- 2/3/17 Y8 Parents' Evening 3:45pm-6:30pm**
- 6/3/17 Y6 – Crucial Crew Visit**
- 7/3/17 Year 5 SAT Information Evening**
- 9/3/17 Y8 Parents' Evening 3:45pm-6:30pm**
- 9/3/17 Choir Festival- Freman College 7pm-9pm**
- 13/3/17 Mock SATS for Y6 –Mon to Thurs**
- 16/3/17 Normandy Information Evening 5pm**
- 20/3/17 Year 6 Preparation for SATs event**
- 21/3/17 Y6 Parents' Feedback Meeting - Eng & Maths 12:15pm-4:30pm**
- 27-30/3/17 Normandy Visit**
- 28/3/17 Y6 Parents' Feedback Meeting - Eng & Maths 12:15pm-4:30pm**
- 3-17/4/17 Easter Holidays**
- 19/4/17 Y6 NHS Measure Height & Weight**
- 8/5/17 SATS Week**
- 29/5-2/6/17 Half Term**
- 21/7/17 End of Term – School finishes 2:30pm**

**Reminder - Saturday intervention lessons resume**

**Date changes**

**Y8 Parents' Evening - 9<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

**Y6 Parents' Meeting- 28<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

We have changed the date of the Year 6 Parents' Feedback meeting in light of mock SATs week and our desire to make sure we provide you with up to date feedback and information regarding any last minute support that maybe needed to make sure students achieve their potential.

**LA Review**

You can find our LA Review posted on our website or visit this link

<https://goo.gl/oWgPGz> or scan this QR code with your smart device.



It is structured as follows:

- A summary of the lessons seen
- A progress report from the Review in September – note the black writing is where we were in early September. The coloured writing is where we are now. Green secures strong progress, amber progress.
- Finally, a way forward, the areas we need to develop.

**Work Book Day**

We will be celebrating World Book day on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March and all students are encouraged to come to school dressed as one of their favourite fictional characters. The whole school will take part in a quiz

and Year 5 will have an opportunity to visit the Buntingford Library. Twenty Year 8 students have volunteered to share their favourite books from when they were in Year 5, why they enjoyed them and to read extracts from the books. Don't forget to make sure your child is reading for twenty minutes each day and especially on this day! Thank you!

**Learning Zone**

Congratulations to Mrs Eustace and Mrs Surrey for their appointments as Second in the SEND Department with responsibility for students with Social, Emotional and Mental Health needs. The team are now running our Learning Zone where students are supported to learn in a small scale environment.

**Important Reminder regarding Instagram**

It has been brought to our attention that there have been a number of incidents involving 'Instagram'. We would like to remind you that the 'Internet Terms of Use' clearly states that this service is not to be used by persons under the age of 13 years. We hope that you will support us and closely monitor the use of social media at home.

**Normandy Visit**

Your child was given a Normandy kit list on 23/02/17. Please have a careful look through this and make arrangements to get things organised. There are still some outstanding EHI Cards. If your child does not have an EHI Card, please apply for one immediately, they are free of charge.

[www.nhs.uk/NHSEngland/Healthcoverabroad/EHIC](http://www.nhs.uk/NHSEngland/Healthcoverabroad/EHIC)

There will be an information evening for parents on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2017 to find out about all the exciting things that we will be doing. If you have any questions that you think I may have to research in advance, please let me know as soon as possible and I will include them into the presentation. If you are unable to make the information evening, let me know and I will send a copy of the presentation.  
Miss Bustard

**Data Collection Reports**

Please be aware that Year 5 and Year 6 Data Collection reports will be sent home tonight. Year 7 and Year 8 reports will be sent home on Monday. If you have any questions or queries regarding your child's report, please contact your child's tutor in the first instance.

**Problems or Concerns in school**

As requested in the last Parent newsletter, please could I ask that if you have any issues or concerns with the school, no matter how big or small, to contact the school office directly, so that we can move forward in a constructive and positive way? Social media is not the appropriate tool to deal with school related issues. Publicising your concerns without giving the school an opportunity to respond and or react, is non-productive. Thank you for your support.

**Jo Gant**  
**Headteacher**