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Dear Parents and Carers.

I am writing to inform you of all of the events we have running in term 1. I have attached links to letters for more information. Sometimes impromptu events come up within a term but we will try to give you as much notice as possible. A paper copy can be available in the office if you would like one.

Term 1 up and coming events:

Term 1 2023		
Date	Event and information	
Friday 1st September and Monday 4th September	INSET DAYS -School closed to all pupils	
Tuesday 5th September	Term 1 begins for pupils in Years 1-6. Nursery and Reception children will be sent their start days separately. Full school uniform required by all pupils. Please see the link to the letter re: uniform expectations https://dashwood.academies.aspirationsacademies.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/8/2023/07/Uniform-letter-full.docx.pdf	
Wednesday 6th September	Year 1 New and Different Meeting at 9am in the hall. This meeting will give you information about the up and coming year ahead and any changes that are happening.	
Wednesday 6th September	Cherry nursery pupils start back (new pupils to Cherry class will be given their own individual start date)	
Thursday 7th September	Year 3 New and Different Meeting at 9am in the hall. This meeting will give you information about the up and coming year ahead and any changes that are happening.	
Thursday 7th September	Plum nursery pupils start back (new pupils to Plum class will be given their own individual start date)	
Friday 8th September	Year 2 New and Different Meeting at 9am in the hall. This meeting will give you information about the up and coming year ahead and any changes that are happening.	
Friday 8th September	Year 3 National History Museum Trip Year 3 will venture to Oxford to participate in Skeleton Crew and Dinosaur Detective sessions led by the museum. Here is the link to the letter for more information. https://dashwood.academies.aspirationsacademies.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/8/2023/07/Natural-History-Museum-Year-3.pdf	























Monday 11th September	Reception children start school full time.
Tuesday 12th September	Year 4 New and Different Meeting at 9am in the hall. This meeting will give you information about the up and coming year ahead and any changes that are happening.
Thursday 14th September	Year 5 New and Different Meeting at 9am in the hall. This meeting will give you information about the up and coming year ahead and any changes that are happening.
Friday 15th September	Homework Projects due in to school. We look forward to sharing in class all of the wonderful homework projects you have completed over the summer holidays. These will be celebrated in class.
Friday 22nd September	Year 6 IMPS (Injury Minimisation Programme). The pupils in year 6 will be given the opportunity to take personal responsibility for their own safety and that learning emergency life skills strengthens their confidence and self-esteem. This will be run by members of staff from the programme. Please ensure that all pupils are wearing leggings or trousers so they will be comfortable to practise some procedures.
Monday 25th September	Year 6 IMPS (Injury Minimisation Programme). The pupils in year 6 will be given the opportunity to take personal responsibility for their own safety and that learning emergency life skills strengthens their confidence and self-esteem. This will be run by members of staff from the programme. Please ensure that all pupils are wearing leggings or trousers so they will be comfortable to practise some procedures.
Tuesday 26th September	Phonics Parent Information session: We will show you how we teach phonics at school and how you can help at home. All are welcome! 9-10 in the hall or dial in via this link https://meet.google.com/mjm-wkvy-dgx
Friday 29th September	Whole School Cultural Day. On this day we invite all pupils and staff to dress in their traditional clothing that represents their culture and heritage. Pupils will learn about and celebrate what makes us all special. It is a wonderful day to celebrate our differences and similarities.
Friday 6th October	Dashwood Action Committee: Come and have your say! We have an informal meeting to discuss ways we can make our school even better. 9-10am- coffee and biscuits provided. We really care about what you think!
Wednesday 11th-13th October	Year 6 Rock UK Residential Trip: Year 6 will venture to Northampton for their residential trip. Kit list and more information provided in this link https://rockuk.org/centres/frontier-centre/ Here is the link to the kit list: https://dashwood.academies.aspirationsacademies.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/8/2023/07/Kit-List-2023.docx.pdf
Thursday 19th October	Parent Internet Safety Session 9am in the hall: Come and listen to our internet safety presentation where we will discuss: safe use of the internet; parental controls; age appropriate games (age ratings) and have a general discussion about up and coming issues schools and parents are facing.
Friday 20th October	Last Day of term. School finishes at 3.15pm as normal.
	Term 2 2023

Monday 30th October	Term 2 begins. All pupils return to school.
Tuesday 7th, 8th and 9th November	Parents Evenings: You will be sent a link near the time for you to book a slot to speak to your child's teacher.
Friday 24th November	INSET Day. School closed for all pupils