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Dear Parents and Carers,

Well that was not quite the ending to this half term that we were expecting! I hope that you survived the storm today and that you have all remained safe. At school, the children have been brilliantly behaved despite the excitement of the high winds. Our EYFS children took advantage of the weather and made kites and paper planes to fly when the wind eventually drops and Year 4 have been busy cooking pizzas today which made school smell delicious!

Next week is half term so I hope the weather picks up for us all. There have been some slight changes to term dates so please see the dates section about this below and the updated term dates calendar which is also attached to this email.

Meet Our New Governors



Parent Governor

Mr Adrian Kowalczyk

I came to the UK from Poland in 2012 and since then I have worked for the same company for the past 10 years. I have a 5 year old son who attends Pilgrim school.



Trust Governor

Ms Josanne Stewart

In 2014, my dream job came up which was Millfields Inspired, a small, young charity. This is the job I am still in today and is the reason I already have a good relationship with Pilgrim Primary.

Please see the information about all the members of our Full Governing Board accompanying this email

Year 4 Mini Police Programme



Over the last 5 weeks, some of our Year 4 pupils have been lucky enough to have been selected to become part of the Mini Police programme. They have been learning about internet and road safety, getting out and about on the local roads, talking to members of the public about safe driving. They have been using their skills on our playground too and are proud to wear their Mini Police caps and lanyards! This week they finished their programme with an excellent presentation to our Year 3 children and they each received a certificate from our local police Inspector!

Term Dates and Dates for your Diary

Term dates – this academic year

There are 2 changes to the previously published term dates for this year:

1. The school will be closed to be used as a Polling Station on **Thursday 5th May**.
2. Due to the additional Bank Holidays for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee falling in the summer half term, our Trust has added an additional day of holiday for the children and staff on Friday 22nd July. Therefore, **the last day of this academic year for children will be Thursday 21st July**.

A new calendar of term dates for this year accompanies this Newsletter with these changes added.

Year 6 SATs Testing Week: w/c 9th May

Our Year 6 children will be having their week of SATs tests starting from Monday 9th May this year. Please note that absences will not be authorised for any other reason than illness in this week to enable the children to be in school to complete these important test papers. Your understanding is appreciated.

Some Dates for the Coming Term

Monday 28th February – This is a Non-Pupil Day for staff training. **Children return after half term on Tuesday 1st March**

Spring Term Reports and consultation meetings

You will receive your child's **Spring Term short report and targets w/c 7th March**. There will be **parents and carers consultation meetings w/c 14th March**. More details about how to book this will come nearer the time.

Have a great half term break and we look forward to seeing the children back in school on Tuesday 1st March.



**Mrs L Meek
Headteacher**