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Message from Mr. O' Connor

Dear Parents and Friends,

Today we celebrated the Visual Arts Exhibition from the Year 13 students here in Green Valley. This is the main assessment that they will be evaluated on for the final grade for their Visual Arts grade. Importantly, the students themselves and our Visual Arts teacher have worked tirelessly with them. Yesterday, all the students from Year 12 and Year 13 helped organize this event from the set up

of the classes to guiding the families around this exhibition. Truly, it is the work of the whole team, both students and teachers and we are hugely proud of them. You will have found the Artwork on display in the courtyard, Rooms 8, 9, 10, the library and in the office area. Our intention was to inspire ourselves in the Tate Modern in London and we are close to it!

Events such as these are essential for the community. It is important that the Primary School see what we do here in Secondary, and vice versa. For this reason we were proud to invite the whole school community to see this exhibition.

Finally, as a school we are pushing that all our communication (as much as possible) is through our newsletters, meaning we are more efficient and there really is one source of information. For this reason, my message is simple...please do open up these newsletters... spread the word that it is important... and you will find that step by step you will find you will know so much more about life in Green Valley.

My best wishes as always.

Mr. James O' Connor

Headmaster and Co-Founder of GVS

Primary Section

Dates for your Diary

- **Monday 8th April: First Day of Summer Term**
- Benisselem Airport People to talk to Y6 at 11:00 a.m.
- Thursday 18th April: Y6 to Rafa Nadal
- Friday 19th April: Primary Sports Morning and Family Picnic 9:15 - 12:00
- Week beginning 22nd April: English Reading and Book Week
- Tuesday 23rd April: Book Character Dress Up Day
- Thursday 25th April: Y4 to Botanical Gardens

- Week beginning 6th May: Outdoor Learning Week
- Tuesday 7th May: Y4 Presentation to Parents
- Thursday 9th May: Y3 to Fresopolis
- Week beginning 20th May: Spanish Week
- Tuesday 21st May: Y4 Viking Day (presentation to parents at 3:30)
- Friday 24th May: Flamenco Dancing, Children to wear 'Spanish' Costume
- Wednesday 29th May: Y4 to La Caixa Forum
- Tuesday 30th May: Y2 and Y5 to La Caixa Forum
- Tues 4th and Wed 5th June: Y6 Residential Trip
- Friday 7th June: Transition Day, meeting new Teachers, Y6 go to Y7.
- Tuesday June 11th and Wednesday June 12th: Primary Summer Production
- **Week beginning 17th June: Primary Final Assessment Week**
- Thursday 20th June: Y6 Graduation Ceremony 9:30 - 11:00
- Friday 21st June: Summer fair 14:00 - 15:30 so **Primary School ends at 14.00**
- **Monday 24th June: National Holiday, School closed**
- **Wednesday 26th June: Last Day of Summer Term**

Message from Ms. Jan Harvey

Dear Families,

I hope you all enjoyed an amazing Easter break and are fully refreshed and ready for the last term of this school year because it promises to be an incredibly busy one as you can see from the diary dates!

Our first event is next week on Friday 19th April at 9:15, when we have our Primary Sports Morning. As last year, we are inviting you to come along to cheer your child on during this fun event and to

join in the family picnic midway through the morning. This year, we will also have coffee on offer at the picnic time, to enjoy whilst relaxing with the children. At the end of the morning, we will announce the winning house and present the cup to the champions. Children will need to wear a t-shirt and shorts in their house colours (no football/basketball shirts please) and please feel free to also come colour coordinated if you so wish! We are really looking forward to seeing you there.

Following on from Sports Day, we have our next subject themed week, with English week from 22nd April. On Tuesday 23rd, we will celebrate World Book Day and would like the children to come to school dressed as a character from a story book. It would be amazing if they could bring the book into school too. If they do not wish to participate, then normal school uniform to be worn please. On this day also, school lunch will be a traditional English roast dinner! Then on Friday 26th, we invite you to come to a presentation in each class at 2:30, where the children will share some of the work they have done throughout the week.

In May, week beginning the 6th, we are moving our learning outside when we have our Outdoor Learning Week. Ms. Hannah has lots of great events planned for that week and we are really looking forward to this very different week.

Then the week of the 20th, we will hold our last subject themed week, with our annual Spanish Week. More information will follow nearer the time, but as always, we would encourage the children to wear Spanish style clothes on Friday 24th May.

A final important week to keep in mind is Monday 17th June to Thursday 20th June, when we will be carrying out the final assessments in Primary, in preparation for the next school year. It is very important that children are in school for these as they give the new class teachers crucial information about the children and help them plan accordingly for the next school year.

Alongside our themed weeks, we have many other important dates, such as trips and of course our end of year shows, our Y6 Graduation, and of course the Summer Fair on Friday 21st June. So as you can see, a great term is planned!

Our younger students were very excited to discover that over the holidays the primary football pitch was recovered with Astroturf, meaning they now have an all weather area to play, just like the older students.

Thank you as always for your support and looking forward to seeing you all at Sports Day next Friday.

Kind regards,

Ms. Jan Harvey

Head of Primary



Secondary Section

Message from Mr. Drew Sparkman

Dear Parents & Guardians,

As we approach the final stretch of the academic year, I am pleased to see the dedication and enthusiasm of our students continue to shine through. With Term 3 underway, it is crucial that we maintain our focus on finishing the year strongly.

I would like to emphasize the importance of consistent attendance and engagement during this period, especially as we prepare for several key assessments. This June, our Key Stage 3 students will be undertaking comprehensive exams for the first time. More information regarding these assessments will be provided in due course.

Additionally, Year 10 and Year 12 students will be sitting their end-of-year Progress Check Tests at the end of May. These assessments are essential milestones in their academic journey, and I encourage them to approach them with diligence and determination.

I would also like to extend my gratitude to all the families who attended our Term 2 Academic Review Day and the accompanying presentations. Your involvement and support are invaluable to the success of our students, and I am thankful for your continued partnership in their education.

Please [find here](#) the relevant presentation for your reference. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. Together, let us work towards a successful conclusion to the academic year.

Warm regards,

Drew Sparkman, MEd

Head of Secondary

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