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Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you all managed to have an enjoyable bank holiday. This week, it has been great to watch the children exploring our nature area, now that it has been opened up to the children. They have loved bug hunting – finding spiders, woodlice, frogs, toads, centipedes and snails of various shapes and sizes!

Next week is a 'big' week for the pupils in Year 6 as they experience their end of KS2 statutory assessments. They have worked so hard over the last few weeks – and really deserve to be rewarded for their efforts. Good luck Year 6. We are already proud of all that you have achieved this year and know that you will do your best. FYI the following tests will be taking place:

Monday – Spelling, punctuation and grammar (Papers 1 + 2)

Tuesday – Reading

Wednesday – Maths (Papers 1 + 2)

Thursday – Maths (Paper 3)

Friday – Science

Wagtails Trip

On Tuesday 10th May, Wagtails are lucky enough to have another school trip. This time they are going to the Ashmolean Museum in Oxford, where they will become detectives, searching for clues about life in Ancient Egypt. The coach will be leaving school at 8.30am so we ask children to be in school by 8.15am. They should return to school by about 3.30pm. The children will need a packed lunch, a drink and a snack for this day. It would be sensible for the children to have a backpack for this trip.

Leaving school

This week, we have been reminding children about leaving school in a sensible manner. Now that the Covid-19 restrictions have been removed, we are asking all parents, children and visitors to the school to enter and leave using the paths, rather than the driveway. We know that this slows down the process of leaving the school site – but believe this is good as it means everybody can leave the school site safely. I have received several complaints recently about children leaving the school site and I know staff have felt concerned about the safety of pupils when they have been leaving the school site in their cars.

Next year

Discussions about our plans for next year are well underway and will be discussed and reviewed by the governors this term. As you know, we have advertised a new teaching post as a maternity cover for Miss Kay. Miss Kay is hoping to start her maternity leave from the week beginning 11th July. We will let parents know about the arrangements for the last two weeks of the year when an appointment has been made. Parents will be informed about the classes for next year during the week beginning 6th June.

Have a lovely weekend – and enjoy some sunshine.

Stephanie Severn