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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have had a good week and managed to find a few moments to pause and reflect amidst the busyness. It's hard to believe how quickly time is flying – the days seem to be racing by as we edge closer to the end of term.

International Evening Celebration

Thank you to everyone who attended our International Evening celebration—it was wonderful to welcome so many families into school for this special event. We are especially grateful to those who brought food to share; the variety of delicious dishes from different cultures was truly appreciated and added to the richness of the evening. The atmosphere was warm, joyful, and inclusive, and it genuinely felt like a close-knit community coming together in a spirit of love, respect, and shared celebration. Events like these remind us of the strength and beauty in our school's diversity, and we look forward to many more opportunities to connect and celebrate together.

Art

Over the past two weeks, the focus across the school has been on creating high-quality artwork that children can be truly proud of. One of the key pieces pupils have been working on is a self-portrait, which has allowed them to explore their identity and develop their observational drawing skills. Miss Bowie and Kristian have organised an excellent art project that has inspired creativity across all year groups. As part of this project, children from Year 1 to Year 5 had the opportunity to visit a private collection at the Estorick Gallery, where they engaged with a range of inspiring artworks and discussed artistic techniques. Their enthusiasm and thoughtful responses were a real highlight. The outcomes of this work will be showcased in a special exhibition next **Monday, 7th July, between 8.30 to 9.30**, where you will be able to view the children's fantastic artwork on display in the Hall.

Parent workshops

Thank you for attending our parent workshops. We always aim to share key information, so following each workshop, we email out the presentation slides and upload them to the school website for your reference.





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We kindly ask that you do not record or film any part of the workshops, in line with GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation). This is to protect the privacy of all participants and ensure that personal data, including images and voices, is not shared without consent.

Summer Social

We are excited to invite you to our annual Summer Social on Friday, 4th July, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. It promises to be a fun-filled evening with something for everyone to enjoy—we would love to see you all there!

If possible, we would really appreciate it if a few people could stay behind at the end to help with tidying up, as we will be preparing for our first Farmers' Market the following morning on Saturday, 5th July.

Key dates for next week

Wednesday 2nd July - Chess competition (10 children from Y5 and Y6)

Thursday 3rd July - Y5 and Y6 to St Paul's CE Primary School (Powerful choices workshop)

Thursday 3rd July - Y5 secondary transition and residential meeting for parents (9 am)

Friday 4th July - Summer Social - 6 pm

Sunday 6th July - Fun Run

As always, thank you for your continued support and commitment to the school – it truly makes a difference. I hope you have a lovely, restful weekend; enjoy the sunshine, stay hydrated, and don't forget the sun cream!

With thanks,

Ms Khan

Head of School.

