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Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to school! I hope you all had a restful Easter break. As we go into the new term, please note the following:

### **May Day**

This year we are able to hold our annual traditional May Day celebrations. Due to the pandemic, for many of you, this will be a new experience - it is one of those special and unique Horsley traditions. In line with tradition, there will be an entrance of the May Queen and Jack in the Green. This will take place outside by the EYFS decking area. We will then proceed to Ruskin Mill for Country Dancing. The children will be provided with a complementary croissant and drink, courtesy of Ruskin Mill. Please bring your own snack if your child is allergic to croissants. If any local musicians would like to join us, please do come with your instruments as we process down to Ruskin Mill (music will be provided).

Help with decorating the flower arch would be much welcomed. Please leave donations outside the church (on the bench) on Thursday, after school. Help to decorate the arch early Friday morning would be most welcome. Parents are invited to join in with the festivities from 9:15am. Tea and Coffee will be available from 8:45 (in the church). Your child is warmly encouraged to attend on Friday in Springtime or country attire (no pitch forks please).

### **KS2 Early Morning Entry**

It is always a joy to see so many KS2 children waiting at the KS2 door in the early morning, hungry for learning and eager to enter the school and start their day's learning journey. Whilst we actively support older children (e.g. Y6) walking to school alone or with friends, thus developing the independence skills necessary as they transition to secondary school, please be reminded that the children remain in your care until they are in the building. Alas, there has been the occasional incident of inappropriate behaviour whilst children have been waiting to enter the building. Thank you for your support in this regard.

### **Parking**

There is a regular contingent of cars parking outside school on the yellow zigzag lines each morning, even blocking the church entrance. Please be aware that this is not only illegal, but causes a danger to other families trying to access the school. We would kindly ask you to refrain from parking in front of the school building and church entrance.



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## **Collective Worship**

Please be aware that on Friday mornings (c. 9:10am) we have our Congratulations Assemblies. These are very much community assemblies. Do come along, and for a pre-assembly cuppa and chat (8:45-9:10am).

## **Sports Events**

As we head into the next term we are trying to re-boot as many sports competitions and activities as possible. Please be aware that we are trying to be as inclusive as possible. The focus will be on engagement and opportunity rather than winning sporting events. It is also great to be able to have teams comprising individuals who may not have had the chance to experience participatory or competitive sports, thus opening up potential new interests, and give the chance to explore new ways of staying active. Thank you for your understanding.

## **INSETS**

The INSETS for 2022/3 have been published. These are available on the school newsletter, along with next year's term dates.

Yours faithfully



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Headteacher



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