

Merridale Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As you may be aware, next week sees the start of Year 6 SATs week (from Tuesday 9th May until Friday 12th May). We would like to congratulate Year 6 for the commitment and effort they have put into their studies to prepare for these national tests. We wish them all the best with these assessments and we know they will try their hardest. Please can I remind Year 6 parents and carers of the importance of ensuring Year 6 children arrive at school on time for these tests next week. Please also remember that we have our FREE Year 6 breakfast club from 7.45am next week. If you have given permission for your child to attend this via the online form, please ensure they arrive at school at 7.45am. If your Year 6 child is unwell or unable to attend school on any of the test days, please contact school immediately so we can make arrangements and advise you of what to do regarding their tests.

All parents and carers, please remember that <u>Monday 8th May is an extra bank holiday</u> for the King's coronation – school will be closed on this date. We hope you enjoy the bank holiday weekend and the coronation celebrations.

To mark the coronation here at school, we will be having a special celebration day on <u>Thursday 18th May</u>. Children are invited to have a school meal as part of this celebration – we will be having a special lunchtime menu of a picnic buffet. If you would like your child to have a school meal on this day (if they don't usually have one), please contact the school office and arrange to make the payment for this via SimsPay.

As part of the celebration, we will also be having a visit from an ice cream van. We are asking for a £1 payment via SimsPay for your child if you wish them to have an ice cream on the 18th May. If you have not made a payment for this Monday 15th May, your child will not be able to have an ice cream. PLEASE REMEMBER – the school can no longer accept cash payments. If you are experiencing issues with SimsPay, please contact the school office in good time – please do not send cash into school.

Yours sincerely

Mrs L Towle Headteacher