



Orchard Manor School News

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April showers bring forth May flowers

Old English Proverb

Hello everyone!

Welcome back to our final term this year. There are lots of things going on this term, including transitions to new classes at the end of term, external exams which will be happening in a few weeks, saying goodbye to our current year 11s after their prom and celebration Tea Party and Presentation day in July, sports days, our Summer Fete and Craft Fair and many more exciting events and opportunities. Let's hope that the sun begins to show itself a little more as the months go on - I think we have all seen enough of this dreary weather!

If you have been following Facebook you will have seen plenty going on since we have been back - we have been doing very well in football games with other schools, our Sports Leaders have been involved with umpiring table cricket competitions and training for Ten Tors this year is well underway with some of our walkers having their first practice camping session on the field in Upper Campus.

Event	Date
External Exams Start	7 May
Ten Tors Weekend	10-12 May
Rotary Club Day Out to the Zoo	12 June
Father's Day	16 June
Year 11 Prom	27 June
Leavers Celebration and Tea Party	28 June
School Reports	1st Week of July
Sports Festival for Lilac, Peach, Blue, Lime and Pink	1 July
Sports Festival Green, Orange, Yellow, Red and Year 7	5 July
Summer Fete and Craft Fair	12 July
Transition Week Starts	14 July
End of Term	26 July

Not only have we been working hard on the sporty side of things, but we have also hit the ground running with classroom based learning—as some of our year 9s have been illustrating - who knew it was possible to extract DNA from a strawberry and a kiwi? Brilliant stuff!

One of our main fundraisers of the year is on July 12th. I am of course talking about our fabulous Summer Fete and Craft Fair which we hope will be extra special this year as we unfortunately had to cancel at short notice last year. So, with double the enthusiasm, we will be looking for stallholders for our Craft Fair and also donations to our Grand Prize Draw. Behind the scenes we are preparing to send letters and emails to local businesses and individuals to ask if they would like to donate any prizes. For those who donate, we will be very grateful and we promise to advertise their generosity on our social media pages and our leaflets. Judging by previous years, we will have some amazing prizes to be won on the day. If you would like to have a stall, it will be just £10 a table—just give Maranda a call on 01626 862363 and she will book you in.

Right, I think that's it! All that's left to say is have a great week everyone!

Nicola Jones, Headteacher