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Events Over the Next Week

Fri, 19th 10.30am Y6

Assembly

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

SCHOOL CLOSSES 1.30pm

**Tues, 3rd Sept Chn return
to School**

Goodbye and Goodluck

Tomorrow we will be saying au revoir to **Charlie Elvidge** who has worked at New End for three years teaching children in Years Two and Three. Charlie is taking a sabbatical for a year and moving to Portugal. I'm sure you will join with me in wishing Charlie success and happiness in the future. We look forward to welcoming her back in September 2014.

We welcome **Ellen Wood and Dina Mohammed** as class teachers in September. I'm sure that Ellen and Dina will be a great addition to our talented and dedicated team.

Meet Your New Teacher Sessions

All the children had the opportunity to spend time with their new class teacher and class at the start of the week. Children and staff had a lovely time and I hope everyone is looking forward to September. All children also received a copy of holiday home learning that they can complete over the Summer break. This does include a holiday project which should be returned at the start of the academic year. **This home learning is completely optional, although we would encourage all children to take up the challenge in preparation for the new academic year.**

Goodbye and Good Luck Year Six!

We all wish the Year Six children well as they start their secondary schools in September. We know that they will continue to achieve great things. P.S. We are all looking forward to their leavers' disco tonight and their special assembly on Friday!

Camden Primary Cricket Tournament

New End's two teams competed in the Camden tournament at Regents Park Hub last week. Congratulations to the A team who won the Camden tournament, beating Brookfield, Rosary, Primrose Hill and St. Patricks in the final. The B team also did superbly in their competition, getting to the semi-final. Well done to all the children who took part, playing all the games with good humour, great sportsmanship and superb commitment. A big thank you to teaching assistant Pete Davies for managing the A team so brilliantly on the day. **Steve Buzzard**

Camden Teams of the Year!

On Tuesday New End had two teams recognised for their sporting achievements this year.

- The tennis team were awarded the "London Games Team of the Year" award as they were the most highly placed team representing Camden at the London Games this month.
- The football team were awarded "The Spirit of the Games" award for winning the Fair Play League throughout the 2012-2013 season. This is the first time New End has won the Fair Play League.

Congratulations to everyone involved - and special thanks to Sue Ling and Steve Buzzard for their work with these teams.

Attendance and Punctuality over the Academic Year

The attendance level this year as recorded by the DFE will not be confirmed until tomorrow as, for the first time, the figures are taken right up until the last day of the academic year. At the time of writing this newsletter (Wednesday) the attendance level was **95.69%**.

The unauthorised absence level was **0.69%**.

The persistent absence level (i.e.: the percentage of children with attendance of less than 85%) this year was **0.014%**, well below the national average and a level that compares favourably with previous years.

Our punctuality target of **98.5%** (or less than 31 lates each week) was reached or exceeded in **12 of the 36 weeks (33%)** in the year so far. As this is less than 50% of the weeks, the target will remain the same for next school year.

Let's all continue to work together to improve all these figures again next academic year!

P.S. Guess who is going to be standing by the door every morning from September to meet any latecomers!

2013-2014 Dates for your Diary

Mon, 2 nd Sept	INSET Day - School Closed
Tues, 3 rd Sept	Chn return for the start of the Autumn Term
Mon, 28 th Oct - Fri, 2 nd Nov Half Term	
Fri, 20 th Dec	Last day of Autumn Term
Mon, 6 th Jan	INSET Day - School Closed
Tues, 7 th Jan	Chn return for the start of the Spring
Mon, 17 th - Fri, 21 st Feb Half Term	
Fri, 4 th April	Last day of Spring Term
Tues, 22 nd April	INSET Day - School Closed
Wed, 23 rd April	Chn return for the start of the Summer Term
Fri, 18 th July	Last day of Academic Year
Mon, 21 st July	INSET DAY
Tues, 22 nd July	INSET DAY

Did you know?

Maths Masters!

On Monday, Isaac, Harrison, Ryoma and Swathy represented new End in the final of the Primary Maths Challenge at Hampstead Secondary School. The children had already done a great job in getting through a tough semi-final a few weeks ago, but set off with high ambitions - and were rewarded by taking the title! Congratulations Isaac, Harrison, Ryoma and Swathy!

And Finally

As this is the final newsletter for this academic year, I would like to take the opportunity to warmly thank everyone for a wonderful 2012-2013.

The staff have once again worked incredibly hard to ensure that the children continue to achieve great things. They are a talented and dedicated group and I feel very fortunate to work with them.

Parents, NESAs and governors have continued to be very supportive towards the school.

Most importantly, thank you to all the children who have shown themselves to be such great learners and have worked hard in everything that they have done. I look forward to even more learning in 2013-2014.

Have a restful, safe and enjoyable holiday. The staff at New End look forward to welcoming you back on Tuesday, 3rd September!

Karyn Ray Headteacher

PS Don't forget that school closes tomorrow at 1.30pm!