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Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

I am writing with a few updates about our school and future events and plans.



School expansion:

The planning process has been a bit longer than expected due to new regulations. However, some ground works should start in February with an official 'spades in the ground' date due to be set in March. It is expected that the building work will be finished in May 2025 ready for our intake in September 2025. One interesting detail is that ecologists on the job have found an amazing 393 slow worms so far in the Wild Willow Wilderness, making it an important local habitat for them.

Term 3 and 4 dates:

There are a several important and festive events which I would like to draw your attention:

Date	Event
w/c 29.1.24	Year 4 Swimming
	Parents' Evening consultations
	PLEASE do contact the class teacher(s) via Class Dojo if you still need
	to book an appointment
30.1.24	Fire Brigade visited Y1 and Y2
1.2.24	St John's Foundation 850 th anniversary event for Year 1-6
	A selected group of 15 children will be singing as a choir in Bath Abbey
2.2.24	Y5 Viking Day
w/c 4.2.24	Childrens' Mental Health Week
6.2.24	Y4 trip to the Roman Baths
6.2.24	KS2 Swimming Gala
7.2.24	Safer Internet Day and Parents Meeting at 6pm
Friday 9.2.24	Last day of term 3 at 3.00/3.15pm
Monday 19.2.24	First day of term 4
27.2.24	Y3/4 football tournament
w/c 4.3.24	Book Week – details and theme to be emailed in due course
5.3.24	KS2 author visit – Sophie Kirtley
12.3.24	EYFS and KS1 author visit – Rob Starling
15.3.24	Year 3 trip to the American Museum in Bath
w/c 18.3.24	Assessment week
w/c 25.3.24	Free2BME Week – our Equalities Team have chosen the theme of













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	'Different Abilities' which will be a positive focus on disabilities.
Thursday 28.3.24	Last day of term 4 at 3.00/3.15pm
Monday 15.4.24	Final INSET Day
Tuesday 16.4.24	First day of term 5
13-16.5.24	Year 6 SATs Week
Monday 2.9.24	1 st INSET day of 24/25 academic year

There will be further communications about the events and curriculum focuses in the future.

Safer Internet Day and parents' meeting 7.2.24 at 6pm:

In-keeping with Safer Internet Day we will be holding a parents' meeting to support you with information to help keep your child safe online. Mr. Eaton will be sharing information on topics such as: understanding your child's online world, taming gaming, testing your home filtering & most importantly, parental controls. Please do dojo Mr. Eaton if you would also like to bring in any devices for help with setting up parental controls.

'Should I keep my child off school?'

I have also attached a really useful NHS poster, 'Should I keep my child off school?' with information about contagious illnesses and how long children should stay at home with each illness.

Thank you for your continued support of our school and please do catch me, send me a dojo message, or phone the school office to get in touch with me whenever. We aim to be an 'approachable' school so please contact us with any relevant information, concerns, ideas, positives, etc.

With best wishes,

Steve Gumm