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Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope everyone has enjoyed a restful Easter Break, it's been lovely to welcome the children back for the start of the Summer Term.

Topics this Half Term

Pioneers topic is 'Never Eat Shredded Wheat'! They will be looking at compass directions and exploring the UK.
Discoverers topic is exploring Brazil and Scotland, comparing conservation issues in both countries.

Attendance – Every Day Counts



At Hockering we are committed to providing all children with the best education possible. In order to do this, we need all children to attend regularly and punctually. The Government remains very clear that no child should miss school apart from in exceptional circumstances. Our aim is to keep whole school attendance at least in line with national average of **94.5%.** Our current whole school attendance is **94.93%** which is just above the national average. For advice and support with school attendance, please speak to a member of staff or visit Just One Norfolk.

It is also important for your child to arrive at school on time in the morning. Gates are open from 8.35 - 8.45am. Anyone arriving after this time will need to accompany their child to the office and get them signed in. If they are late they miss valuable preparation and settling in time, children arriving late also cause a distraction to the rest of the class.

Friends Easter Eggs Hunt

Thanks to The Friends for organising the Easter Egg Hunt and Raffle on Thursday 3rd April. They raised the grand total of £147.50. Thank you to all who organised this event and everyone who participated.



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Garden Project Official Opening

The official opening of the garden area will take place on Thursday 1st May at 3.15pm. The children will be taking part in outdoor craft activities from 2.30pm.
From 3.15pm friends and family are welcome to attend to see the new garden area.

Please send your child in with an old t shirt that you don't mind getting dirty for the craft activities.

Dental Screening

Happy Smiles Club.
John G Plummer & Associates
Dental Surgeons

We are aware how difficult finding a dentist can be in current times and are happy to announce we have John G Plummer & Associates visiting Hockering School. They will be visiting on Monday 28th April at 9am. They will be offering **free dental screening for all children**. If you would like your children to be seen by the Dentist you need to **return the consent form** that was sent home. This is a great opportunity, especially if you are struggling to find an NHS Dentist. Though they are unable to take on any new patients they will arrange a follow up visit to carry out any treatment needed that is identified during their visit.

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Reminders

- All children **must** bring their book bag with reading book and reading record to school every day. We have adults read with the children throughout the school week and need to change these regularly.
- PE kit should include joggers while the weather is still cooler.
- Please ensure your child has **wellies** for break and lunch time.

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 1st May	Bee Netball Y3-6
Thursday 1st May 2.30pm	Garden Opening
Monday 5th May	Bank Holiday
WB 12th May	Year 6 SATs week
Thursday 14th May 3pm	Residential Trip meeting
Friday 15th May	SATs treat Bowling Trip Year 6
Tuesday 20th May	Greshams STEAM trip Year 6
Half Term Break May 26th May-30th May	
WB 2nd June	Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check (MTC)
Thursday 5th June 9am	Whole School Photo
Monday 16th – Wednesday 18th June	Y5/6 Eaton Vale Residential Trip
Friday 20th June	KS1 Athletics - Dereham
Monday 23rd June	Y6 Bikeability
Tuesday 24th June	Whole School Trip to Cromer Museum
Tuesday 1st July	Y5/6 Maths Challenge - Northgate

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Thursday 3rd July	Y6 Teambuilding - Taverham
Friday 4th July	Sport's Day
Friday 11th July	Reception Tennis – Taverham
Thursday 17th July 2pm	Leavers Church Service
Friday 18th – Tuesday 22nd July	Year 6 Transition days – Northgate
Break up for Summer Holidays – 22nd July 2025	

*WB = Week beginning

Additional date for your diary - Village Fete – Sunday August 31st

Yours sincerely,

The Hockering Team