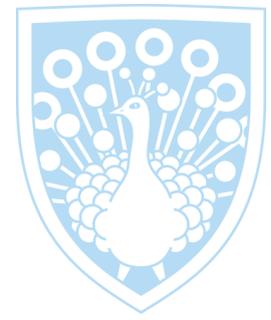




**Great Tew School Newsletter**  
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A very busy and tiring term has come to an end and we have a glorious six weeks of Summer ahead of us. The children (and staff!) have worked hard and it is time for the batteries to be re-charged ready for a new school year. Some of you will have noticed that on the last couple of days of term, a non-slip surface was added to the pitch and lines were painted. It looks fantastic, with lines for 5-a-side football, netball and short-tennis/badminton. Over the Summer we are hoping to finish off the “landscaping” around the pitch, so that the green temporary fencing can be removed and the grounds opened up again.

**“Tea for Tew” at the Cornbury Festival**



I am delighted to tell you that thanks to the magnificent effort of a huge number of parents (past and present), staff and governors, a phenomenal £9,200 was raised by the “Tea for Tew” team at the Cornbury Festival. I hope you will have seen the photographs displayed in the playground last week; the tent looked amazing, the cakes were tantalizing, the crowds poured in and it really was a huge success. An enormous amount of effort went in to making it the success that it was, and I would like to say a very big thank you to Sharn and Michelle and to everyone involved. We hope you can now all have a well-deserved rest!

***If you would like to use the pitch over the Summer please contact Viv Bennett on 07825 020969 to obtain the key. Children will need to be supervised at all times.***

# Two Important Dates for Your Diaries

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 7pm**

## **Great Tew School's Governing Body Annual Parent Meeting**

This will start at 7pm in the classrooms, when parents will have the opportunity to meet the class teachers. Procedures and expectations for the year will be explained and you will have a chance to ask questions.

Following this will be the Governing Body's Annual Parent Meeting, where governors will talk on a range of subjects and you will have the opportunity to ask questions. Wine and soft drinks will be served and we hope that as many as possible will be able to attend.

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September 7.30pm**

## **A Reception to Celebrate the Opening of the New Classroom and Completion of the Sports Pitch**

### **A Chance to Say Thank You to Everyone Involved**

We hope that as many of you as possible who have helped with the fundraising will be able to come along and celebrate the completion of the new classroom and sports pitch now being enjoyed by us all. Further details/invitations will follow next term.

## **Informal Class Photographs**

Lots of you ordered copies of the informal photos taken by Julia Fairrie. These will be printed over the Summer and ready for you at the beginning of term. If you haven't yet ordered and would like to do so, you will be able to order them at the start of term.

## **School Photographs**

Apologies that these didn't arrive before the end of term. They arrived about an hour after school closed, so will be sent home at the beginning of next term.

## **Breakfast Club**

Our Breakfast Club supervisor next term will be Mr Butler. It will run every day, from 8am to 8.40am at a cost of £4 per child per day. If you would like to register your child please complete the attached form and return it to school. I would like to say a big thank you to Mrs Stewart (with the occasional help of Mr Stewart!), who has been running Breakfast Club for us since the start of the Summer Term. We were left in a difficult position when our previous providers were unable to continue and thanks to Mrs Stewart we were able to continue offering Breakfast Club to those of you to whom I know this service is invaluable.

## **School Meals**

You should have all received a letter regarding the provision of hot school meals from September. Please see the [school website](#) for further information.

**If your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2**, they are entitled to a free lunch every day. If you would like your child to have a free lunch every day you **do not need to do anything**, apart from to advise us if your child is vegetarian or has particular dietary requirements. The meals will be ordered automatically for you. If you would NOT like your child to have a free hot lunch every day, please email the office to let us know before Friday 15<sup>th</sup> August.

**If your child is in Year 3, 4, 5 or 6** lunch will cost £3 per day. You will need to order these from Limes Farm using their [online booking system](#). All meals for Term One (to October Half-Term) need to be **ordered and paid for by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> August**.

## School Uniform – New Online Ordering System

Our new [online system](#) is up and running and we hope that you will find it straight-forward to order the uniform items that you need. Please follow this link to our [website](#), where the recommended uniform is listed. **Please note that orders to the value of more than £50 are entitled to free delivery to home.**

**However as a special introductory offer: All orders (regardless of value) received and paid for by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> August will be entitled to free delivery to your home address.**

The first delivery to school will be made on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September (for items ordered and paid for before Friday 15<sup>th</sup> August). Although the school will not be open to children on this day, it may be possible to collect items you have ordered from the office.

## Clubs Next Term

The clubs currently running next term are:

Day	Club	Time	Run By	Open To	Further Details
Tuesday	Chillin' Club	3.15-4.30pm	Mrs Butler	Children from Reception to Y6	£2 per week. Starts 9 <sup>th</sup> Sept
Thursday	Hockey Club	8am–8.50am	Carol Hicks	Children from Y4 to Y6	£3 per week to be paid in advance. Starts 4 <sup>th</sup> Sept
Thursday	Arsenal Soccer Schools	3.30-4.30pm	Arsenal Soccer Schools	Reception to Year2	£4 per week Starts 10 <sup>th</sup> Sept On the new pitch
Thursday	Football Club	3.20–4.20pm	Mark Andrews Football Academy	Children from Y3 to Y6	£3.50 per week Starts 4 <sup>th</sup> Sept On the green

Information on further clubs will follow.

## Goodbye

We were all very sad to say goodbye on Friday to our wonderful Year Six children, Angus, Charlotte, Clara, Ella, Eva, George, Gus, Isabella, Kitty, Lucy, Ludo and Toby, of whom we are all so proud. They have worked hard and been fantastic ambassadors for their school and we will miss them all. It is time for them to move on to the next stage in their adventure, with all the mixed emotions that entails. But we know that they are ready, and we wish them every success at their new schools. We say goodbye to some of their families too: the Daniels, the Hennessys, the Hollanders, the Petrillos and the Veales. A big thank you to all of them for their commitment and support of the school over so many years and in so many different ways – you will all be missed! If you were unable to come to the End of Term Service on Friday, you will not have seen the really thoughtful presents given to the school by the Year Six children and parents. We are the proud new owners of two very smart, hand-made planters to go outside the office and a nesting box and feeding station complete with web-cam! Spring Watch comes to Great Tew – watch this space! Thank you to all of them for such imaginative and generous gifts.

We also say goodbye to Jack Moore and Freddie Sandford in Year 4 and Theo Zibarras in Year 5. We wish them the very best at their new schools. Wendy Sandford has been a stalwart of our fundraising over the last few years, heavily involved in the New Building Appeal Team organising numerous different events, renowned as a seriously talented brownie chef and this year becoming very involved in running the Christmas Fair and the Summer Fete. A big thank you to Wendy for all that she has done – perhaps she will come back next year and enjoy the brownies that someone else has baked!

All that remains is for me to wish you all a very happy and healthy holiday. If the sun continues to shine as it is I can think of nowhere I'd rather be!

Best wishes to you all,  
Mrs Lucy Miles

## Dates Coming Up

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Notes</b>
<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September</b>	Inset Day	Children not in school
<b>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September</b>	Inset Day	Children not in school
<b>Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September</b>	School re-opens for Autumn term	Please ensure that children arrive between 8.40am and 8.55am. Breakfast Club will run as usual for those that wish.
<b>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Governing Body Annual Parent Meeting 7pm	Starting in the classrooms at 7pm with teachers talking to parents about class procedures and expectations for the year.
<b>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Drinks Reception to celebrate the completion of the new classroom and sports pitch.	7.30pm Further details/invitations to follow.