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Photo: A strange playtime – fully ventilated building but not a child in sight – they're all in the breezy shade behind

To say it has been an unusual week is a bit of an understatement. The weather has been remarkably hot – the overnight heat has been particularly challenging. The decision to cancel sports day was entirely the right call! I look forward to more usual temperatures and a return to normality on Monday.

OFSTED visiting this week was particularly challenging but all happened as it should. It's coming up to 4 years since our last visit so we were 'due'. The framework has now changed so our last visit was a light-touch one-day visit, this was a full inspection with a team for two days. I am not allowed to share any of the findings yet as this has to go through OFSTED internal quality assurance processes. This takes 30 school days so the publication of the report will unfortunately not be until probably September. That seems a lifetime away but nothing we can do about it. Suffice to say we are pleased it is done. My thanks to so many of you who completed the parent view questionnaire and to so many of you who shared such supportive, encouraging messages with us! A big thanks from the whole Upham team!

**Dates for your Diary:**

- Sat 27 June** – Upham Church Fete
- Wed 1 July** – 2.45pm YrR enterprise café parents & families
- Wed 1 July** – 1-2pm Yr6 Leavers service Portsmouth Cathedral
- Thurs 2 July** – 10-11.30am YrR Sept 26 Morning Visit
- Thurs 2 July** – Reserve Sports Day
- Thurs 9 July** – 11-12am New YrR Sept 26 and current YrR & parents gathering
- Fri 17 July** – 3.30pm FUSTival (details to follow)
- Tues 21 July** – 9am Yr6 Leavers Service at Blessed Mary
- Wed 22 July** – Yr6 Bell ringing at 3.30pm - Last Day
- Thurs 23 July** – Summer Holidays Start

**Sports Day**

Having cancelled sports day this week, we move to our reserve date next week: Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July, 1.15pm - parents allowed onsite just after 1pm, parking on playground once main gate is opened. All arrangements will follow the original plan (as detailed in the letter dated 18/6/26).

**Village Fete**

The village fete is taking place on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June. Unfortunately, we will not be doing the usual maypole dancing as it will be extremely hot still and we have not been able to do any practicing this week to prepare the children, due to the heat. The dog show has also been cancelled.

**Hedgehogs Local Geography**

Hedgehogs Class are exploring a local geography topic this term about Upham. They are hoping to do another walk around on the morning of Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup>, weather depending.



**Communications this week:**

- None relevant for next week

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