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A COLLABORATION OF CHURCH FIRST SCHOOLS

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Dear Parents,

First of all a very big thank you from all the staff, for helping your children to decorate their maths t-shirts for the Maths Day. The children enjoyed a fun packed day of maths with numerical French and Music too.

Thank you to those parents who came along to watch and help; it was great to have you on board. The t-shirts were so creative and well done. Mrs McKeon and I decided it was impossible to choose a winning one as they were all fantastic. Pictures are on the website for you to see.

Next week on May 4<sup>th</sup>, the school remains open during the local elections. The Barkley class will be learning at Barley School that day. The bus will operate as usual for the children, leaving at 8.45.

Please let Mrs Harris know if you would like your child to travel to and or from Barley on the bus. The same arrangements will operate for the General Election which falls on Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> June.

The Barkway Street Market takes place in Mr and Mrs Blunt's grounds behind the school on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May. Please look out for invitations from FOBBs to help with the various fundraising activities. Fingers crossed for a sunny day. Children from Year 1 in Barley and Barkway are going to the Essex School in Newham, London on Thursday May 11<sup>th</sup> to take part in an art day. Later on in the term, children from our partner school will be joining us in Barkway and

Barley and specifically at the Newsells Wildlife Area where they will join us for art activities.

The children are beginning to practise for the Maypole Dancing festival in Barley School on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May. We hope the weather will be kind and look forward to seeing lots of parents, friends and family there. A letter giving details will be sent home next week.

Looking further ahead, Cuffley Camp for the Year 3 and 4 children takes place on the 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> of May.

Please keep Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> July free so we can take part in some Maypole Dancing at the Barkway Village Fete at 12.00. This is a really fun event with a variety of stalls and a great BBQ!

We hope you enjoy the long weekend and that the cold weather of late is soon replaced by warm sunshine.

Yours sincerely



Sharon Brown  
Acting Head Teacher

#### Dates for the Diary

1 <sup>st</sup> May	Bank Holiday – no school
4 <sup>th</sup> May	Elections Y3&4 at Barley school
6 <sup>th</sup> May	Barkway Market
11 <sup>th</sup> May	Cross Country – Year 2-4
11 <sup>th</sup> May	Visit to Essex Schools
19 <sup>th</sup> May	Maypole dancing
25 <sup>th</sup> May	Cuffley camp leaves Y3&4

May 29<sup>th</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> June inclusive Half Term  
5<sup>th</sup> June – inset day – no school