

Newsletter

May 2019



Dear Parents/ Carers,

So early in the term, there is not much news to report; however, there are a number of events coming up!

SATs

Year 2 and Year 6 children will be completing the government statutory assessment tests (SATs) later this half term. The children have been working hard in preparation for the tests and we ask that they only try their best. We work hard to keep the anxiety of the children at a minimum while preparing and sitting these tests and ensure there are yummy rewards prepared by Chef Diane at the end of each test!

Swimming competition

Upper Key Stage 2 children will be selected to take part in a swimming competition on Monday 20th May. Consent slips will be sent out closer to the time.

Year 4 Residential

We will be holding an information evening for Year 4 parents/ carers about the residential trip in the autumn term to Edale in the Peak District. I apologise that this is after parents and carers have had to commit to the trip due to the time constraints in securing the dates we wanted, however, I know a local outstanding school that uses the same provider for their residential trips and they have recommended the organisation unreservedly. It is for this reason I went with the company.

Year 2 Camp Night

The information evening for the Year 2 camping night in the school grounds will be held on Wednesday 5th June at 6pm.

Production

We have a production company coming into school performing the Wizard of Oz for the children. We have previously used the company and the children have thoroughly enjoyed it. To cover the costs of the production will be asking for a donation of £3 per child. You will be informed when this can be paid through SchoolComms.

Learn Alongside

The opportunity to come along and support your child/ren in an English lesson will be held on Tuesday 25th, Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th June. Attendance slips will be sent out closer to the time.

Sports Day

This year we will be holding two sports day events on the same day.

Early Years and Year 1 will have their sports 'day' on Friday 21st June at 9.30 – 11am.

Year 2 and Key Stage 2 will have their sports 'day' on Friday 21st June at 1.30 – 3.15pm.

Year 4 and 5 class trip

Years 4 and 5 will be visiting Holdenby House in Northamptonshire on Monday 24th June. Consent slips have been sent home.

Parent Panel Meeting

This meeting will be held on Wednesday June 26th at 8.45am. Please do come along to discuss ideas about developing and increasing the opportunities we can provide for our children.

Transition opportunities for children joining reception classes

We are holding a number of events for children joining our reception classes in September. These will be communicated to parents in a separate letter.

Reception transition information evening

Wednesday 26th June 6pm

Nursery transition information evening

Wednesday 3rd July 6pm

Meet the Teacher Evening

Having received feedback from parents requesting that the 'Meet the Teacher' evening takes place before we break up in July, we will be holding the evening on Wednesday 26th June at 6pm.

This does mean that new teachers joining us in September may be unable to attend; however, there will be a class teacher available that can communicate the administrative aspects of the year group to parents.

Money Challenge

In the summer term, we provide the children an opportunity to be 'entrepreneurs'! Each class is provided with £10 and they have to generate as much profit as possible from the £10. The money can be made in any way they want i.e. plant stall, making a product to sell, providing an activity for the children to take part in for a small cost etc... The money raised is used to buy presents that Father Christmas delivers in December (class toys for wet days). Year 5 raise money to pay for the cost of their tie for year 6.

Parents are invited to take part in the challenge by enjoying the activities or products the children have prepared for small amounts of money. This will be held on Thursday 4th July at 3.30pm.

Summer Fayre

Jo Ashpole is working hard, and would be grateful of any help and support, to organise a Summer fayre on Friday 12th July at 3.30pm. More details will follow later.

Results of Reading competition

As you probably have heard from your child/ren, we have been running a reading competition this term to encourage children to read at home with an adult. Children earn points towards a 'reading bug' and winning classes receive a new pack of books for their class.

Only 86 out of 271 children achieved a reading bug in Spring 2.

RMP: 14/18 children achieved a bug RKL: 5/19 children achieved a bug RLM: 5/19
1BW: 2/21 1ES: 5/19 1CT: 6/22
2EW: 4/21 2AT: 6/21
3CF: 8/20 3HM: 7/20
4OB 14/29
5SM 7/20
6DR 4/16

We want to send a big, fat congratulations to: Lola Ashby (68 reads), Isabella Sicurello (55 reads), Rex Jordan and Jake Hemsworth (53 reads) who read most times out of all the children in the school.

We have now started the second heat of the competition. Come on adults, get reading with your child!

School Productions

Year 4, 5 and 6 will be presenting the school production on Tuesday 16th July at 6pm and Wednesday 17th July at 2.30pm.

Celebrations and Awards Assembly

The end of year assembly will take place on Friday 19th July at 2.30pm. It will also be an opportunity for us to say goodbye and wish good luck to our first year 6 children!

Now I have bombarded you with dates and times, I will leave you to enjoy the sunshine! My next Newsletter will have all the news about trips and competitions that have taken place along with all the other activities the children will be enjoying during this term.

Warm regards,

Pippa Villa

Dates for Diaries

w/c 13 th May	Key Stage 2 SATs
w/c 20 th May	Key Stage 1 SATs
22 nd May	Year 4 Residential Information Evening
<i>27th May</i>	<i>Start of half term holidays</i> <i>Holiday Club (Dependent on uptake)</i>
5 th June	Year 2 Camp Night Information Evening
6 th June	Wizard of Oz Production to children
12 th June	Nursery Father's Day Event pm
13 th June	Class Group Photos Reception class Father's Day event
12 th June	Father's Day celebration – reception class
13 th June	Father's Day celebration – Nursery
14 th June	Year 2 camp night at school
19 th June	Open Morning 9am
21 st June	Sports Day - Early Years & Year 1 9.30am Sports Day – Year 2 and Key Stage 2 1.30pm
24 th June	Years 4 and 5 Holdenby House
w/c 24 th June	Learn Alongside (25 th , 26 th , 27 th)
26 th June	Parent Panel Meeting 8.45am Reception transition evening 6pm 'Meet the Teacher' evening 6pm
3 rd July	Nursery Fun Day Nursery transition information evening 6pm
4 th July	Money challenge stalls 3.30pm
5 th June	Reports to parents
12 th July	Summer Fayre 3.30pm
16 th July	School Production 6pm
17 th July	School Production 2.30pm
19 th July	Celebration and leavers assembly 2.30pm
<i>22nd July</i>	<i>Start of summer holidays</i>

Term Dates 2019-2020

Autumn Term

Wednesday 4th September – Thursday 24th October

Inset Days 2nd & 3rd September, Friday 25th October

Half term holiday Monday 28th October – Friday 1st November

Monday 4th November – Friday 20th December

Holiday Monday 23rd December – Monday 6th January

Spring Term

Tuesday 7th January – Friday 14th February

Inset Day Monday 6th January

Half term holiday Monday 17th February – Friday 21st February

Monday 24th February – Friday 3rd April

Holiday Monday 6th April – Friday 17th April

Summer Term

Monday 20th April – Friday 22nd May

Bank Holiday Monday 4th May

Half term holiday Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May

Monday 1st June – Friday 17th July