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Newsletter- Week 21

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Dear families,

Welcome to our latest newsletter!

Latest Fundraiser: This coming Friday we have a special charity/dress down day in aid of Mencap. Mencap support many children and families locally and we would like to share some of their excellent work in assembly and donate an amount in support of the charity from our school. This Friday will therefore be a dress in red, purple or blue day (the charity's colours). The suggested donation is £1 per family but any amount is appreciated towards this fantastic cause. Please note that we also have a special lunchtime disco for Valentine's Day the day before, Thursday 14th. This is a normal uniform day and the disco is free as it is at lunchtime on the playground. Get your ballad requests in to DJ Crossfield as soon as possible to avoid disappointment!

Sports Update: Last week we had a team at Penistone Grammar in the Y1/2 relay event and they all had a fabulous time and worked brilliantly as a team- well done! A highlight of the sporting year so far occurred on Tuesday afternoon as 32 super talented cross-country runners took on the best in the whole county at the Yorkshire finals event at Cannon Hall. All of our children were incredible in tough conditions and we couldn't be prouder! So many children placed in the upper echelons of the county finals and the Y3/4 girls' team claimed bronze across all of the schools present. Indeed, we were the only team in Barnsley to place on the 'podium' of any race as Sheffield schools dominated the medals. Thank you and well done to the children, their families and Mr Crossfield and Mrs Exley for their hard work on preparing for the various stages of this year's cross country programme! Finally for this week's update, a big congratulations to our Y5/6 football team who were fantastic in a brilliant game against Silkstone B on Friday in an enthralling game at Vale Park on the hallowed turf! We lost a tight game 3-2 and our goals were scored by Oliver and Joe B and the players of the match goes to Evie E for outstanding defending!

Shakespeare Play: A big thank you to the parents/carers for your contributions towards the recent Shakespeare performance of 'Hamlet.' These annual performances are a great way to enhance our Literacy curriculum and give children a broader range of literary experiences. The performance was fantastic and the children enjoyed getting involved! A display of the day will be shared in the school library soon and, after enjoying Shakespeare themed learning across the curriculum on Friday afternoon, the children in years 3-6 will be writing all about their experiences very soon in class!

Half-term: A reminder that we close this Friday for the half-term break. We re-open on Monday 25th February at the usual time (no INSET days) for a seven-week half-term taking us up to a late Easter break this year! We hope that everyone has a relaxing and fun-filled break! **Please note that the school meals system will be on week 2 when we return.**

Have a great week and a wonderful half-term everyone!

Kind Regards, Mr L McClure, Headteacher

Week 20 Stats	Average 2018/19 Stats	Week 21 Diary Dates
Attendance: 96.8%	Attendance: 97.4%	Monday 11 th : Firefight Pack donations gratefully welcomed and Taekwondo Assembly
Late marks: 1	Late marks: 9 all year	Tuesday 12 th : Y4 Viking Day (in school)
GREEN LIGHTS: 99.4%	GREEN LIGHTS: 99.4%	Wednesday 13 th : Y3 Teacher Interviews (Maternity Cover)
Class of the Week: Y3 Wildflowers with 98.7%		Thursday 14 th : 9.15 to 10am Y2 Class Assembly and SATS meeting (slides online)
		Thursday 14 th : Valentine's Disco at lunch- free
		Thursday 14 th : Y1 Phonics Meeting (3.15pm in Y1) (slides online)
		Friday 15 th : Dress Down Day for Mencap- blue, purple or red theme and donation
		Friday 15 th : Captain's Table (lower school) and Star of the Week