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Newsletter- Week 38

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Dear families,

Welcome to our latest newsletter. We are almost at the end of a wonderful term and a fantastic year too! Next week we have a review of the year but this penultimate newsletter will try to help you to keep up with everything that is going on up to the very final day of term! We hope we have covered everything!

Reports: Over the next few days you will receive your child's end of year report from F2 to Y6 (Y6 on Wednesday so that we can include SATS results which are announced tomorrow). Nursery parents can meet with Mrs Exley where required for further feedback on your child's progress next week. We are also offering an opportunity for Y3 parents to meet Miss Alderson, even though you are receiving a report too, just because Miss Alderson joined us at Easter and it might be useful for some parents to talk about their child's progress as they move through in to Year 4 with the same teacher. If your child does not bring their report home this may mean that we don't have your permission to send home potentially sensitive information through a child. If this is the case please just come along to the School Office to collect the report. The report has a feedback form and we would appreciate any comments that families have to make about their child's year or the content on the report. Pupils are welcome to bring a strong carrier bag to school from Thursday this week when staff may choose to send home lots of work for you to enjoy. Some samples have to be kept until Christmas as evidence of our curriculum content but we will make parents aware if this affects you/your child.

Sports Update: We still have our Sports Raffle running through the rest of term, most of the prizes are now displayed in the main reception area and tickets are available from the office during school hours or at our special events over the next few weeks. All monies raised will go directly into our sports budget for next year! Congratulations to Y4 who all attended a special athletics meeting last week at Dorothy Hyman Sports Centre. The children were remarkable as they took on several other schools. Many achieved gold, silver or bronzes finishes and every child worked hard as a team as we finished 2nd overall! Unfortunately the final events for Y5/6 and Y4 cannot be reorganised now due to limited time so Team Activ have sent across their apologies that we cannot compete further. Congratulations to our footballers who won 3-0 (girls) and drew 8-8 (boys, yes...eight all!) against Kings Oak last Monday. It was a pleasure to see so many children involved and how far they have all come! Our KS2 girls were also fabulous against Churchfield on Friday with a 2-0 win for the Y5/6 children and a tough defeat for Y3/4 who are still developing into a team!

We have our Sports Awards event tomorrow at Penistone Grammar School for Y6 pupils and selected pupils in other groups. Stay tuned to Twitter for updates but we cannot wait to celebrate another year of sporting development and excellence! Remember the event has a dress code of 'smart casual' and children who attend should stay with their adult guest(s) at all times. We have lots of events this week; tennis for KS2 and a Y2 athletics meeting too, as well as a final football match against PSJ on Thursday evening for some Y5/6 footballers! Lastly, a reminder that all clubs (before, during and after school) have now finished until the new academic year.

EYFS Sports Day: This Wednesday we have EYFS Sports Day events for F2 and Nursery pupils. The F2 event will be 9.15-10.00am approximately and the Nursery events will be 10.30-11.15am and 2.00-2.45pm approximately. Parents are quite welcome to join us on the field through the top gates near the shelter. Please help us to keep children calm and settled by staying on the seats on one side of the racing track while we gather the children on the opposite side. We hope everyone can make it and that the weather is just right for racing- dry but not too hot! Please remember to apply lots of sun cream on this day if required!

Talent Show: A huge well done to everyone who has tried out for the Talent Show Final. The final will be held on Wednesday afternoon in the school hall with a whole school audience. Thank you to Mrs Tomlinson and the School Council for planning and organising this super event. We will keep you all updated on Twitter as much as we can!

KS2 DT Day: This Thursday we have a special, new event. We have been working with our resident DT expert 'Mr Hepp' to develop a themed DT day across KS2. Our younger children all enjoyed the expert input for DT around Christmas time and our KS2 staff have been developing a special challenge where children design, create, evaluate and then market their products. The completed and refined projects from Y3 to Y6 will be on sale at our Family Picnic and each class will receive any profits raised to spend on classroom or playground resources! The winning team will also get a special bonus budget to spend! Some classes require a few extra helping hands so if you are free and keen please ask your child's teacher.

Attendance Update: We had the highest attendance in all schools in Barnsley up to April at 97.5% (our aspirational target for the year!) but we have fallen away to 97.1% and may end the year on or just below 97%. This is mainly due to holidays in the Summer Term. Please note that we will be giving out certificates to children with excellent attendance in the coming days. We have, sadly, had some punctuality issues recently with several families arriving late. We want to be a school that has high standards and a sense of collective responsibility for our children **all** achieving well at school...let's work together to eradicate lateness so that learning time is maximised for all children, every day!

Y5 Quiz and Enterprise Update: Good luck to small groups of Y5 pupils taking part in final events for recent quizzes and enterprise days- the children have worked hard to be chosen to represent school and they will now compete and challenge themselves against the best in Barnsley!

Cycling Events: Over the next few weeks Mr Venus will be taking Y4-6 children out on bikes on the Trans Pennine Trail as part of our Active Travel project and PE curriculum. Children will require their bike and a helmet on the days communicated. Without a helmet we cannot allow a child to ride due to strict health and safety guidelines.

Disco: Our Summer Disco is next Monday at 6pm! Please look out for posters! A reminder that EYFS parents must stay with their child throughout the event. We hope to use the field again after a great event last year.

Reward Afternoon: We will be ending our ongoing team points counter very soon and announcing our winning team. The winning team will hold a meeting to decide on their reward and the event will be held in school on the afternoon of Tuesday 16th July. There will be no cost to parents and no permission slips sent out but we will confirm the chosen activity. It has worked really well as a motivational, team building tool this year and it has been so amazing to see so many certificates been given out each and every week.

Family Picnic: Please note that the family picnic, our final chance to all come together as a community, will run (weather permitting) on Wednesday 17th July from 12.30pm. A picnic plate special menu for pupils and/or parents has been emailed out to everyone but please note that we need the orders back by Wednesday this week (10th) please. Parents and children are quite welcome to bring their own picnic but we just ask that no nuts or seeds are included and please take care with sharing goodies as many of our children have allergies. Younger children are welcome to join us and, remember, the theme is Fairytales! Children can dress down in casual clothing or dress up in the theme of Fairytales. We will have some little prizes for the best costumes- adults or children! The whole family is welcome and the top gates will be opened at 12.30pm as we start to pair families up with their children. If parents cannot attend then we will supervise your child on the field anyway so that they can still take part. We will have some extra stalls and games going on at a small cost to raise school funds while we enjoy the (hopefully) good weather and celebrate another excellent year in school. Children can leave with their parents from 2pm if desired but they must sign out at the top gate. AM nursery children are encouraged to come back and join us with an adult too!

Leavers' Assembly: On Friday 19th July, the final day of term, we have the Y6 leavers' assembly at 9am in the school hall. The rest of school will attend but there is space for all Y6 families. We hope that you can join us. A reminder that Y6 children can bring in a shirt and a pen for their final day and that hoodies can be worn in class along with general non-uniform bottoms for the final week of the year.

Uniform Update: The new uniform has started to come into school and it looks fabulous. Any uniform ordered from now on will carry the new logo as we start to phase out the old logo. Both logos are welcome in school. We will display lost property over the final two weeks and anything that is not claimed will be used on our spare rail in school or sent to charity if it is non-uniform.

Y5 TT Rockstars Challenge: As multiplication tables play such a key role in a child's mathematical learning in upper school we have set Y5 pupils a special Summer challenge. We want as many children in that class as possible at the top of the TT Rockstars leader board over the final weeks and over the Summer Holidays. The more that they know in September the more rapid their maths progress will be next year!

Have a great week,
Kind Regards, Mr L McClure, Headteacher

Week 37 Stats	Average 2018/19 Stats	Week 38 Diary Dates
Attendance: 97% Late marks: 2 GREEN LIGHTS: 99.7%	Attendance: 97.1% Late marks: 0.6 per week GREEN LIGHTS: 99.2%	Monday 8 th : F2 to Y5 reports out, Y5 cycling AM, Y5/6 tennis PM (4 pupils) Tuesday 9 th : 6-8pm PGS- Springvale Sports Awards Wednesday 10 th : EYFS Sports Day (9.15 F2, 10.30 F1 AM and 2pm F1 PM) Wednesday 10 th : Talent Show Final- PM Wednesday 10 th : Y6 reports out Wednesday 10 th : 6x Y5 pupils at Enterprise Finals (packed lunch required, 9am-3pm) Thursday 11 th : DT Day for KS2 Thursday 11 th : Football v PSJ 3.45-4.30pm (Home) Y5/6 team Friday 12 th : Y6 visit to Air Haus (9am to 3.15pm) Friday 12 th : Y5 final swimming 10am and Y4 cycling 1-3pm (helmets required)
Class of the Week: Y4 Venus Flytraps with 99.5%		

