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### **Week 34 Newsletter**

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

Dear families,

A warm welcome back. We hope everyone had a good Spring Bank break. Our newsletters between now and the Summer break will be packed full of details to help you keep on top of school news and what is going on. Please note the updated diary dates list below, we would hate for parents to miss out on some amazing events!

**Uniform update:** Please note that our School Uniform Policy for next year is attached. Thank you for your suggestions and feedback. We have decided to keep things partially relaxed for the rest of the school year (please be as 'in line' with the policy as possible but anything that is damaged or outgrown can wait until September now) but we do expect full uniform compliance from September 2021. Our uniform supplier is open and orders are encouraged online at: [www.vortexschoolwear.co.uk](http://www.vortexschoolwear.co.uk) There are just 3 delivery dates left before the summer holidays: Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> June, Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June and Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July. Please ensure you place any orders before 24<sup>th</sup> June to catch the last delivery date before the summer holidays. However, as always the VORTEX school shop at Stairfoot, Barnsley is open to customers all summer.

**Musical Evening:** Wow. What an evening. 24 amazing performances and some clips of the whole of Y3 to enjoy! The Zoom format worked surprising well and the confidence and talent of all of the pupils was superb. Congratulations to everyone involved and a special mention to our Jack Sykes Award winner Dylan Hassett in Y4 and the Hilary Smith Talent Award winner Milo Limbert-Holt in Y6. Well done to every child involved and many thanks to Mrs Andrew, Miss Chapman, all of our music teachers and parents for their hard work, support and encouragement. Practice makes perfect!

**Risk Assessment:** Our COVID Risk Assessment has been updated and we have added it to the email sharing this newsletter and to our website. If you have any concerns, questions or suggestions please get in touch.

**Diary Dates:** Please see the comprehensive diary dates list on page three of this newsletter. This list is also on our website. This week's events are in the mini-diary below but the final five weeks of term are covered on page three.

**Clubs:** Our latest clubs have been launched and have been open for bookings for a few weeks. We have a few places left for some clubs. If you are interested, please follow the link or contact us to book. The clubs start straight away and they finish on the penultimate week of the school year.

**Beat the Street:** This Thursday sees the start of an exciting new health/lifestyle competition. We will be having a special assembly and sharing content on Twitter too. The fobs and all of the details that you require will be given out to pupils before Thursday. There are fantastic prizes up for grabs so please get involved if you can. We will keep you updated on Twitter of our progress as well as sharing videos and pictures to help you get set up and taking part! Our 'Around the World Challenge' is almost complete too...we need just 6000 more miles in the next 6 weeks to get back to Penistone...we are currently in Mexico and heading to New York! Thank you to everyone who has helped us on the extensive journey and to one of our amazing Governors who has counted up all of the miles!

**Staffing for next year:** We can confirm the teachers that will take each class for next year. As previously mentioned we have made some changes in lower school which include two teachers taking a class through with them for a second year together. Both of these teachers are very excited about this prospect as their classes are flying and thriving already. The teachers knowing the pupils well will mean that transition is less of an issue too.

**Nursery:** Mrs Honey/Mrs Parr   **Reception:** Mrs Exley   **Year One:** Mrs Royston   **Year Two:** Mrs Evans  
**Year Three:** Mr Venus   **Year Four:** Miss Alderson   **Year Five:** Mrs Fearn/Mrs Henstock   **Year Six:** Mrs Mayston

**New EYFS starters meeting:** Just to confirm that the new EYFS starters meeting originally scheduled for this Wednesday (9<sup>th</sup> June) is now on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> June at 6pm on Zoom for both new Nursery and Reception parents.

**Parent Consultations:** A reminder that F1, Y1, Y2, Y4 and Y6 parents will have their parental appointments with staff on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June between 10.30 and 5pm. Y3 parental appointments will be held between 12.30-6pm on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June and, finally, F2 and Y5 families will meet with staff on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> June between 1.30-7.30pm. Please be aware that, regardless of your child's class and the relevant date of the appointments **all bookings will be launched today- Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June at 5pm.** We will offer a Zoom alternative for anyone isolating, etc, but you should still book a time slot. Children can attend on the day and they will be supervised but please minimise this need where you possibly can to keep social contacts limited as much as possible.

**Water Bottles and PE kit:** The latest learning journal is also attached which gives details of the key learning being covered in class this term. This will help parents to build on these themes and key skills at home. We have also set out which days PE kit is required but if the sun is shining PE kit could be needed on every day so please bring it on a Monday and take it home on a Friday for washing. Can we also please stress the importance of bringing a water bottle to school each Monday so that it can be accessed all day, every day? Staff are regularly having to leave their role to chase up kit/water bottles, etc rather than focusing on learning at the start of the day.

**COVID restrictions:** We know that many schools are relaxing their COVID regulations and some are returning to normal meal/playtime arrangements or collection timings, etc. We feel that things are working very well and running smoothly and, for the sake of six weeks, it seems sensible to keep our current arrangements and keep us all safe. All events to the end of the year (sports days, Y6 production, etc) will be risk assessed carefully with some information provided to parents to keep everyone safe. We are expecting to remove some of the restrictions from September and we are meeting with staff and Governors to plan out our September 2021 approach in terms of timings, safety, routines, etc. Everything like this will be announced in a few weeks to give parents time to plan for next year.

Thank you for your fantastic support as always.

**Regards, Mr L McClure, Headteacher**

#### **School Statistics**

Attendance Update	Week 33: 97.2%	Summer Term: 98.1%	Year to date: 98.2%
Class of the Week:	Y1 Nina's Neuron's with 99.1% attendance		
Punctuality Update	Week 33: 2 lates	Summer Term: 14 lates	Year to date: 38 lates
Good to be Green Update	Week 33: 99%	Summer Term: 99.2%	Year to date: 99.2%

#### **Mini Diary Week 34**

ALL WEEK- Science Week

Monday 7<sup>th</sup>: Launch Parents Evening (5pm) online, new clubs begin this week, Beat the Street assembly

Monday and Tuesday: Y6 Road Safety sessions 9.30-10.30am

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup>: Y5 'Beat the Street' Demonstration Walk 11.30-12.30pm

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup>: Beat the Street begins, Amazelab day (visiting science event), Y5 DT day with Hepp DT

Friday 11<sup>th</sup>: Y5/6 group at swimming, Y5/6 cycling (see email for timings) Y3/4 football 3.15-4.15pm (see email)

## Update Diary Dates List- Summer 2 (2021)

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June- Springvale Euros event- football Y1-Y6 (PM with Mr McClure)

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> June- Y6 at PGS- transition day (1)

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> June- school photographs(groups and individuals)**

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> June- 6pm F1/F2 New Parent Meeting (Zoom)**

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> June- Y4 DT Day (Hepp DT in school)

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June- Y5/6 swimming group

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June- Football (Y4-6 girls away at Kings Oak) with Y1/2 football 2.45pm and Y5/6 boys 3.30pm

w/c 21<sup>st</sup> June MOCK SATS for Y6 (Monday to Thursday) and Y1 phonics checks

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> June- Y5 at Scarborough (day visit)

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June- Y3 Online parental appointments (12.30-6pm)

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June- Y6 PGS transition day (2)

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June- Online Safety Day**

**Thursday evening: 'The Big Babysit event' for Macmillan and bake sale- see letter to follow**

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June- INSET Day- no pupils in school**

**Parents' Evening Appointments F1, Y1, Y2, Y4, Y6 all day (replacing reports for this year)**

w/c 28<sup>th</sup> June Y4 TT Rockstars- MTC checks online (multiplication skills)

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> June- Y6 at PGS transition day (3)

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> - Y6 special relationships learning

**Sports Days on the field/family picnic: Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> June AM- KS1 9.30-12noon and EYFS 12.30-3pm**

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> - F2/Y5 Parents' Evening Appointments 1.30-7.30pm**

**Sports Days on the field/family picnic: Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> July AM- Y3/4 9.30-12noon and Y5/6 12.30-3pm**

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> July AM- Y6 Jobs Fair

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July Y6 in Scarborough

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July Y6 sleepover at school pick up Saturday at 9am

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> July- 11am to 2pm Cricket Fundraiser- Springvale XI v Penistone XI (players required!)

**FINAL NTP sessions this week**

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> July and Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July- Transition Days (2 mornings with new teacher)**

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> Y6 party on the field lunch and PM

**Zoom meetings for parent with new teacher:**

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> 5-6pm Y1-3 and Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> 5-6pm Y4-6**

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> - Dress Down (bright colours) for Cystic Fibrosis and family donation

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July- Outdoor Discos- EYFS/KS1 3-4.30pm and KS2 5-6.30pm

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> - Y6 Production/Leavers' Assembly (DR in AM and Evening Show at 5pm and parent v pupil/staff football)**

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> - Y6 v Staff Rounders and shirt signing

Friday 16<sup>th</sup>- School closes for Summer