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Week 5 Newsletter

Monday 3rd October 2022

Dear families,

Welcome to our latest newsletter. It feels like school is well and truly in the swing of things now...clubs, events, meetings for parents and the bread and butter of the curriculum are all in place and it feels like another excellent start to (hopefully) another positive year! We wanted to start with an enormous thank you. Just when you think the amazing Springvale community cannot surprise us any further we have counted up your donations for Macmillan (the dress down, coffee morning and bake sale) and we have a simply incredible £600 total! Wow! Thank you to everyone who donated baked goods or monies!

Parent/pupil views: A huge thank you to everyone who voted on our recent Twitter poll about the school's overall effectiveness. We had over half of the responders vote that the school provides an outstanding level of education and only one voter felt that we fall below a good standard (requires improved). As always we are happy to seek further views. We know that the school can and will improve further but we need your feedback to help us! Next week we will be launching parent/carer and pupil questionnaires to complete online covering everything from curriculum to safety.

Harvest: We would like to launch our Harvest Festival for 2022! As is traditional at Springvale Primary we will gather in donations of tinned foods and fresh produce as well as creating a performance for grandparents and the elderly residents within our community. The link below can be accessed to sign up any grandparents or elderly family members. We will also be recording the audio of the performance which will be broadcast on Penistone FM at a time later that week. We will confirm the date and time in due course so that everyone can hear it! The show for grandparents will be Wednesday 19th October 9.45-10.30am. Any donations of harvest food should be brought to school on Monday 17th October please.

Sign up here: <https://forms.office.com/r/P9ABbzqdVv>

Policy Consultations: We attach our latest behaviour and attendance/punctuality policies. There have been very few changes since last year but, on such key policies, we like to open them up for parental views before full Governor approval. All views are welcomed and will be discussed with Governors before final versions are published.

'Flu immunisations: On Tuesday 11th October 2022 the flu immunisation team will be in school all morning. 75% of parents have already signed up for their child/ren and that is brilliant but that means at least a quarter of children still need permission to be immunised on the day. As you have to do it online you won't be able to decide on the day so, please ensure you register online before Tuesday 11th. The website address is www.barnsleysais.co.uk and School code: **BN106587**

News nuggets:

- A huge thank you to everyone who attended the meetings for parents in F2 and KS1 in the flesh or online last week! If you need further support or couldn't attend the meetings and need guidance please do get in touch.
- Please ensure that dinner money accounts are kept up to date and dinners are paid for in advance rather than arrears. Thank you!
- Please ensure that all uniform and other items has your child's name labelled inside. Thank you!
- A reminder that there is no Patchwork club next week and that tomorrow's session is a 4.45pm finish!
- As the temperatures fall could we please ask that all pupils have access to a warm coat during the school day!

Have a good week everyone!

Regards,
Mr L McClure,
Headteacher

Mini-Diary and School Statistics (Week 4 and averages)

Attendance for the year so far: 97.5%	Attendance last week: 97.7%
Late marks last week: 3 pupils (2 families)	Class of the week for attendance: Y5 Proud Pentagons 99.5%
GOOD to be GREEN 2022/23 average: 99%	GOOD to be GREEN last week: 98%

What is happening in school this week?

Weekly themes: Music- classical- Beethoven and Mozart; Wellbeing- Online Safety; Week 3 dinner menu
Tuesday 4th: KS1 visit (normal school times), Y3/4 visiting illustrator, extended Patchwork club (to 4.45pm)
Thursday 6th: 2-3.30pm Football v Burton Road (various) 4-5.15pm Y3/4 Get Mucky Event at PGS (selected pupils)
Friday 7th: Val (School Counsellor) in all AM and 3.15-4.15pm Y5 v Y6 Football match

