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Week 18 Newsletter

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Dear families,

Welcome to our latest newsletter. A big congratulations to our wonderful Y1/2 sportshall athletics team who really enjoyed representing school last week in a competition against other local schools. They ran, jumped and threw with all their might! For many it was their first time at a sports event and they all loved it! Thank you as always to the staff and parents who take them to compete and have fun. Good luck to our Y5/6 team this week in the next round of sporting events at this week's athletics event! We have basketball and field archery coming up soon to finish the half term! The weather seems to be brighter and (slightly) warmer this week but please continue to wrap up warm and ensure that names are clearly marked on all clothing.

Strike Action: As you will no doubt have heard on the news the NEU have announced 7 strike days, 4 of which have the potential to impact schools in our region. We can confirm that our school will be open as normal to all classes on the announced strike days.

Gaming Day: This Friday we have a special gaming day for Y1/2 pupils during the day. As part of the special provision the games expert has offered to do a **free family session for Y1 families 8-8.45am and Y2 3.15-4pm in the classrooms**. Please email me to book a place at either so we can ensure that we have adequate space and resources set out. All children will access the games during the school day too! Please only attend if you can do the timings set out as joining/leaving late/early will impact the quality of the session.

Family Quiz: Unfortunately, due to low interest, this event has been cancelled. We will try again in the Summer Term!

Springvale Museum: Thank you to families who have already signed up for this fantastic event. The staff and pupils are working so hard to prepare. I will be contacting Y6 families soon as we need helpers on the evening- many have already signed up but I can always use a few more young leaders! We also want to place the children in a role they will enjoy on the evening...look out for details Y6! You can still sign up here for the event on Wednesday 8th February between 4pm and 7pm...a 30-40 minute tour should be enough but you can stay as long as you like as long as we wrap up at 7pm! The final entry is 6.30pm and we are provided child supervision for any school aged pupils too! Please don't miss out! <https://forms.office.com/e/7sELUqQB35>

Parking Request: Recent feedback suggests that parking around school has been better recently and the local residents have not raised concerns for quite some time. We do still have some parents pulling into the drop off zone when it is very clearly full but still waiting around which can cause traffic and bottlenecks on the main road adjacent to the school. Could we also ask that, just on Wednesday this week, we leave the Church Car Park clear from 8.45am until the afternoon due to them expecting an important delivery.

Music Evening: Mrs Andrew will be leading a special celebration event for any pupils who learn instruments in school in small groups or as individuals on Thursday 20th April. Times and details to follow but a date for your diary for those who this applies to! Y3 families will be invited to a different event in the late Summer to see the children perform ukuleles!

Have a wonderful week everyone!

Regards, Mr L McClure, Headteacher

Mini-Diary and School Statistics (Week 17 and averages)

Attendance for the year so far: 97.1%	Attendance last week: 98.3%
Late marks last week: 3 (1 family)	Class of the week for attendance: Y2 Sensational Semi-Circles: 99.7%
GOOD to be GREEN 2022/23 average: 99%	GOOD to be GREEN last week: 98%

What is happening in school this week? (Week 18)

Weekly themes: Music-Country and Western; Wellbeing-Respecting Property and the Environment; Week 1 dinner menu
Wednesday 25th: Y6 maths day (selected pupils out at a local primary school)
Thursday 26th: Y5/6 sportshall athletics event (4-5.15pm, selected pupils)
Friday 27th: Year 1 and 2 Gaming Day, Star of the week assembly, lunchtime DISCO, KS2 Captain's Table (selected pupils)

