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Week 32 Newsletter

Monday 22nd May 2023

Dear families,

Welcome to our latest newsletter. We want to start by saying a big well done to our Y2 pupils who have now completed their SATS! They have worked really hard this year so we thank them and congratulate them as well as the families and staff who have supported them so well. A big well done also to our Y5 Get Mucky team who had a blast at PGS last Thursday! Our Y5/6 footballers gave a great account of themselves in defeat to Cawthorne while our girls Benchball team won 3-1 and performed brilliantly! Thank you to Hannah Burton for her support and officiating as always. We have even more sports this week! We want to say a big congratulations to the Roebuck family on their new arrival who joined the world safely this week! Mother and baby doing well! Mrs Roebuck will now start her Maternity leave and we wish her well! Mrs Beaumont will support in Y3 until Spring Bank at least and then we will update you on our staffing plans through to the end of the academic year very soon. We also want to thank the HeppDT team who have supported us on various Design Technology and STEM events over the years and have now supported every class in school once again. They do a fabulous job and the children love their visits! We break up for Spring Bank on Friday after Y1-Y6 sports day and we re-open on Monday 5th June at the usual times for the final push to summer!

Sun-cream: The sun has been seen above the skies of Penistone! We have triggered our sun-cream policies once again for the rest of the school year now. Could pupils please have access to sun-cream that has their name and class clearly labelled. Our youngest pupils are supported appropriately to apply but as the children get older they are shown and then supervised how to do it safely. The older, KS2 pupils, apply the cream themselves. We would also like to remind families of the importance of having access to a sun-hat and to always have a water bottle in school each day. Any hay-fever sufferers requiring medication should follow the usual policy by reporting to reception and completing a medical form. However, it is most helpful if your child is medicated at home before school please.

Sports Day: We cannot wait for Friday and our Y1-Y6 Sports Day- EYFS will be later in the school year of course! Our timings are 9-10.30am for Y5/6, 11-12.30pm for Y3/4 and 1.30-3pm for Y1/2. A family picnic will take place between 12.30 and 1.30pm. Please note some really important updates below:

- All picnic food should be nut free please. Avoid sharing with others due to allergies.
- Y1-Y6 pupils should have ordered a picnic from school or bring one.
- Please contact us if you cannot attend the picnic so that we ensure pupils are supervised by staff throughout
 the lunch hour, pupils can sit with friends if their parents agree to supervise in your absence. Or, if you have
 a sibling in F1 or F2 and you would like them to join in with the picnic please let us know ASAP- you would
 need to bring their picnic food and not order a lunch (See forms below)
- Children in KS2 can be signed out for the afternoon at 1.30pm if you prefer after the picnic. This is optional and activities will continue for those who stay in the afternoon. EYFS siblings can also be collected if you wish. (Again, see forms below)
- Please note that photography is allowed but images should only be shared on social media if they are exclusively of your child(ren)
- We have tweaked the events this year again. No Pentathlon Award this year but we do have a new obstacle race and boys v girls sprint so that all children access the same number of events. The top 3 girls and boys in each year group will race for points for their team and another chance to beat the sprint record while the children finishing outside of the top 3 will enter the obstacle race which will have medals for the top 3 in each race. Children will all take part in running, throwing, jumping and relay races before a medal ceremony to finish the event!
- Please do not use the toilets at the back of school for any reason at any time of the day. These toilets are being used by our children and we must safeguard them. The toilet to access is at the front of school via reception for any adult or visiting child/toddlers, etc.

To tell us your plans for spots day, where required, please click here: https://forms.office.com/e/NU3ZsWnKcq

Safeguarding Visit: Last week we had an external safeguarding audit to ensure that we were fully compliant regarding record keeping and follow-up actions. The verbal feedback we received highlight much excellent practice that the visitor is keen to share to other schools. We are very proud of this and would like to thank all of the staff for working so hard and also the Governors, including our very skilled and passionate Safeguarding Governor Miss Claire Throssell who shone during the audit.

British Values: This week's theme links directly to our ongoing work around promoting British Values. The themes are Rule of Law, Individual Liberty, Respect, Tolerance and Democracy. These themes run through our curriculum and our approach to personal development to ensure that our children are ready for life after Springvale!

Wishing everyone an excellent week and an even better Spring Bank holiday!

Regards, Mr L McClure, Headteacher

Mini-Diary and School Statistics (Week 31 and averages)

Attendance for the year so far: 97.4% Attendance last week: 98%

Late marks last week: 1 Class of the week for attendance: F2 Superstars with 100%

GOOD to be GREEN 2022/23 average: 99.1% GOOD to be GREEN last week: 98.7%

What is happening in school this week? (Week 32)

Weekly themes: Music- Swing; Wellbeing- Rule of Law- How Can We Be Fair To Everyone?; Week 3 dinner menu

Monday 22^{nd:} Y6 DT Day, Cawthorne fixtures Y5/6 3.15-5pm (parents welcome at 4pm), Y3/4 Victorian Day

Tuesday 23rd: 2pm Clubs Launch

Wednesday 24th: Y6 Faith Day, Office role closes

Thursday 25th: Y6 local visit (pm), Y6 Golf Event 4-5.15pm

Friday 26th: Sports Day- see above for timings, final due for Y5 residential payment, break up for Spring Bank