

18th July 2016

Dear Families,

The final newsletter of the year- have a lovely summer everyone!

Spelling Bee Final

Most children have chosen to take part in the final tomorrow afternoon. We will start with the spellings for the year above the year they are in ie Reception children start on Y1 words etc. If we run out of words we will move onto the next year groups words until we are left with the last person spelling. Everyone is welcome to come and watch and we will start at 3pm. There is an award for the last speller in each year group. The children all did very well in their practise round last week so I am looking forward to the final. I have attached another set of words in case they have gone missing.

Mrs Wallace Leaving

Sadly for us - but happily for her - Mrs Wallace is leaving at the end of term to spend more time travelling with her husband. She has taught many of our children and was fundamental in starting up our nursery. She will be really missed and I would like to thank her for all her hard work over the years. From September I will be teaching all the Infant class in the top classroom with Mrs Ayrton and Mrs Fairclough from Monday to Thursday and Mrs Mather will be teaching them on Friday.

Swimming

Swimming will take place on Thursday morning this week to fit in the last lesson of the term.

School cashless office

We are moving with the times and hoping to go cashless from September. Online systems for payment are used in most schools now and it saves the potential problem of money being misplaced in school and cheques and cash having to be taken to the bank. We will send information of how you can pay as soon as we have finalised the bank details when we return in September.

Jobs in the School Grounds

We have lots of jobs that need doing in the school grounds and unfortunately no money to do them.

They are:

The panelling on the shed - some of the side panels have fallen off and need fixing as mice are nesting in there.

The Pavilion roof needs fixing and one of the flower planters.

The flower bed near the wall needs planting with child proof plants!

The vegetable patches are too large and difficult for children to maintain - we could do with the whole area grassing or tarmacking over to allow more play area and planters being put along the edge to grow vegetables.

If you or anyone you know could help with any of these jobs please meet at 10am on Saturday 27th August in the school playground with tools if you have them. We would be so grateful for as many helpers as possible. Thank you for any help you can give, I appreciate how busy everyone is.

Kiddivouchers

We are registered with Kiddivouchers and can accept them as payment for breakfast club and after school clubs. They are available for Lancashire county council employees and for many other companies.

Sponsor Money

Please could any more sponsor money be brought in before the end of term. The total is looking good so far with over £500 collected. Thank you all.

Clubs for Next Term

All clubs are open to children from Reception to Y6. This is an 8 week long half term. The clubs costs have increased slightly to £1.50 per child per week. Staff run these clubs voluntarily and any money raised goes towards keeping the school open/ hiring the village hall/ maintaining the field/ buying materials.

Monday - Rounders/cricket club - 4:30pm £12 for the half term run by Mr Corbett

Tuesday - Nature Club -4:30pm - £12 for the half term run by Mrs Ip

Wednesday - Gymnastics club - 4:30pm £12 for the half term run by Melissa Gardner (PE teacher)

Thursday - Emmett's Club - 4:30pm in the Village Hall run by Shirley Townley and Rachel Ayrton

Please fill in the attached slip with the clubs your child would like to attend.

Items children need for next term:

Headphones (y1-y6)

Plain pencil case with a rubber and small ruler

PE Kit in a drawstring bag consisting of white T-shirt, black shorts, Dark coloured tracksuit, spare socks and trainers

Swimming Kit in a drawstring bag with towel, swimming costume/trunks, swimming hat for girls.

Leaver's Ball- Thursday 21st July

Please could you try to liaise with other parents in your year group to ensure coverage!

Y6- Sandwiches

Y5 Biscuits/cucumber/cherry tomatoes

Y4 Pizza (cooked), sausage rolls, sausages

Y3 Cheese and pineapple on sticks/ crisps

Y2 Fruit (prepared) squash orange/ apple and blackcurrant cordial

Y1 Fairy Cakes

Reception crisps/ chocolate fingers /party rings

Nursery/ bread sticks/ lemonade/ fresh orange juice

Please could non-perishable items be brought to school the day before (Wednesday)

If anyone has fairy/string lights we could borrow to decorate the Hall please could they be brought into school on Wednesday.

We would also be grateful for the loan of recent CDs. Please label them so we can return them to you.

We would be very grateful for as many helpers as possible to set up after the Violin Concert on Thursday afternoon.

Mrs Fiona Ip
Headteacher

Diary Dates

Tues 19th July - Spelling Bee final 3pm - all welcome to watch.

Wed 20th July - Awards Assembly 2:30pm

Thurs 21st July - Violin Concert KS2 1:15-1:45pm

Thurs 21st July - Leavers' Ball 6:30-8:30pm

Fri 22nd July - Leavers' Assembly 12- 1pm

Fri 22nd July - School closes for summer 1pm

Future Diary Dates

Sat 20th Aug - Abbeystead show - Over Wyresdale Parish Hall

Sat 27th Aug - Garden/ shed help day 10am

I would/would not like school to purchase earphones for my child/children.....

I understand that by not purchasing through school I will provide our own.

Signed.....

I would like my child/children..... to attend the rounders/cricket club and I enclose £12 to cover costs.

Signed.....

I would like my child/children..... to attend the nature club and I enclose £12 to cover costs.

Signed.....

I would like my child/children..... to attend the gymnastics club and I enclose £12 to cover costs.

Signed.....
