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Halfpenny Lane Junior, Infant and Nursery School

Newsletter

Friday 18th May 2018

We have had a busy but fantastic week. The Year 6 pupils have worked extremely hard and stayed fully focused with their SATs. Well done! They can breathe a sigh of relief this weekend!

National Tests

I would like to personally thank all the staff who have been supporting the children this week during SATS. Thanks also to the Kitchen and Breakfast Club teams for providing both breakfast every morning and a celebration barbecue this afternoon.

Whole School Afternoon Tea Party

As part of the whole school positive behaviour system, our school reward was to hold an afternoon tea party celebrating the upcoming Royal Wedding this weekend. We all enjoyed ourselves playing games and eating a delicious picnic. Thank you to Miss Williams, Mrs Roberts, Mrs Green and the School Council for their organisation skills to ensure the afternoon was a huge success.



Class Photographs

Tempest are in school on Monday 21st May to take class photographs. We anticipate that proofs and order forms will be delivered to School after the half-term holiday.

Term time school holidays

Pontefract Academies Trust do not authorise term time holidays. Removing your child from school to go on holiday could potentially incur a fine. The exceptional circumstances under which we may authorise a child to go on holiday during term time without receiving a fine are:

- Family in crisis (usually when social care have paid for a holiday following extreme circumstances)
- Parent returning from or going to a place of conflict (Armed Forces)
- Death of parent/ sibling
- In extreme cases where a child has a diagnosis of ASD where the paperwork is evidenced and they have an EHCP.

Please work with us to ensure your child understands the importance of attendance and comes to school every day to maximise their learning time.

Wear Blue non-uniform day

Don't Be Blue...Wear Blue on Friday 25th May, to help raise funds and awareness for the Prince of Wales Hospice, suggested donation £1 per child.

Key Dates

- Mon 21st May – KS1 SATs week
- Mon 21st May – Class group photos
- Fri 25th May – Wear Blue non-uniform
- Fri 25th May – Last day at school
- Mon 4th June – Inset Day
- Tue 5th June – Return to school
- Mon 11th June – Year 1 Phonics screening
- Wed 13th June – 3W Class Assembly
- Thur 21st June – Summer Fair (after school)
- Wed 27th June – 10B Class Assembly
- Thurs 5th July – Sports Day
- Wed 18th July – Year 6 & EYFS Buddy Class Assembly
- Fri 20th Jul – Year 6 Leavers Party
- Wed 25th Jul – Year 6 Leavers Assembly
- Wed 25th Jul – Break up for Summer

Inset days for 2018-2019

Our school calendar for 2018/19 was published some time ago on the school website and term dates sent home to parents. Our Inset Days (school closed to children) have now been agreed and are as follows:-

- Monday 3rd September 2018
- Friday 26th October 2018
- Friday 15th February 2019
- Monday 3rd June 2019
- Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd July 2019.

Attendance

Attendance really matters! If a child is not in school then they are missing out on important learning opportunities. **Our aim is to have a whole class attendance of above 96%.** If your child is ill and unable to attend school, please ensure you inform the office. Minor ailments can be managed in school with the support of the school nurse.

Our weekly attendance is:

Class	Attendance%	Class	Attendance%
RBM	96.55	4D	97.59
RW	93.33	4M	96.67
1C	91.11	5A	98.00
1OB	91.00	5W	98.62
2B	97.67	6L	99.66
2G	96.67	6OT	96.21
3S	94.93	Whole School total	95.99
3W	95.67	Cumulative total	95.36

Well done to all of those children who were here every day!



Celebration



Each and every lesson our children wow us! They work so hard and demonstrate the best attitude to their learning. However, some catch the eye of their teachers and have been chosen for the pupil of the week award!

Well done to the children chosen in the grid below!

Class	Child of the week!
RBM	Rosie Conley
RW	Melody Parkin
1C	Laythem Knight-Charlotte
1OB	Nina Williams
2B	Angel Adams
2G	Maisie Beaumont
3S	Ethan Makhetho
3W	Bailey Clark
4D	Holly Wigglesworth
4M	Finley Ball
5A	Joe Broom
5W	Nathan Lillford
6L	Elisha Bird/Alesha O'Leary
6OT	Olivia Stanley

Thank you for your continued support!

Mr James Parkinson – Head of School