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# Halfpenny Lane Junior, Infant and Nursery School

## Newsletter

Friday 25th May 2018

We have come to the end of another half term. It has been another busy week with lots of fantastic learning opportunities. I look forward to seeing all the children when school re-opens on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June!

### Chartwells Viking Food Workshop

As part of their Curriculum topic, Year 3 were joined by our catering company's executive chef, Adrian, who put on a spectacular Viking food demonstration using ingredients that would have been used in the Viking era. Adrian created a scrumptious chicken broth. It was incredible! The children and Year 3 adults enjoyed eating it too!

### Halfpenny Lane Bake off

Earlier this week, Miss Williams and the School Council held a 'Halfpenny Lane Bake off' to raise money for school funds. There were so many amazing cakes and the ones I tasted were certainly delicious! Well done to our winners who will each receive a gift voucher! We managed to raise £251.91 as well as everyone enjoying a slice of cake or a bun!

### Halfpenny Lane Football Club

After school yesterday, Halfpenny Lane played St Giles. It was another fantastic performance from both teams and the children played really well. Halfpenny demonstrated good passing skills and the final score was 5-1 to Halfpenny Lane, well done to both teams!

### Scholastic Book Fair

Thanks to everyone who came to the book fair held after school Monday to Thursday this week. We created a reading area in the hall for those children wishing to curl up with a book whilst the fair was on! Total book sales of £482.00 have generated £48.20 for us to purchase new books for our school.

### Father Bob Whole School Assembly

Today we said a sad farewell to Father Bob. He has been the vicar of Pontefract for a long time and he will soon begin his new role in the North East. He led our assembly this morning and we presented him with a small token of our appreciation for all the support he has given our school. We wish him all the very best for the future!

### Don't Be Blue – Wear Blue!

Today we came to school wearing blue raising £309.56 for the Prince of Wales charity. Yesterday, Rob and Sophie from the Prince of Wales Trust, led our morning assembly and launched a colouring competition. Colouring sheets can be purchased from the main office for 50p. All proceeds will go towards the Prince of Wales funds. The winner will be announced at our Summer Fair.

### Key Dates

Fri 25<sup>th</sup> May – Last day at school  
Mon 4<sup>th</sup> June – Inset Day  
Tue 5<sup>th</sup> June – Return to school  
Mon 11<sup>th</sup> June – Year 1 Phonics screening  
Wed 13<sup>th</sup> June – 3W Class Assembly  
Thur 21<sup>st</sup> June – Summer Fair (after school)  
Wed 27<sup>th</sup> June – 1OB Class Assembly  
Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> July – Sports Day  
Wed 18<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 & EYFS Buddy Class Assembly  
Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Jul – Year 6 Leavers Party  
Wed 25<sup>th</sup> Jul – Year 6 Leavers Assembly  
Wed 25<sup>th</sup> Jul – Break up for Summer

## 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	92.31	4D	89.00
RW	95.67	4M	92.33
1C	92.62	5A	90.00
10B	95.00	5W	94.79
2B	95.33	6L	95.00
2G	95.33	6OT	96.90
3S	98.33	Whole School total	94.25
3W	96.67	Cumulative total	95.32

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	Ava Ward-Pound
RW	Cameron Johnson
1C	Lincoln Carter
10B	Chloe Myhill
2B	George Mellor
2G	Tai Blair
3S	Lulu Ridsdale
3W	Connor Venables
4D	Anna Vause
4M	Eve Moxon
5A	Liam Winn
5W	Sophie Evans
6L	Mason Parkin
6OT	Harvey Skidmore

Thank you for your continued support!

Mr James Parkinson – Head of School