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# Halfpenny Lane Junior, Infant and Nursery School

## Newsletter

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2019

In our Monday morning assembly this week, we talked about helping others. Sometimes, certain things are hard or even impossible to achieve on your own. Having a trusted helping hand can sometimes be the only thing needed to help us succeed! I am hoping that we can all help each other and be positive so that we can all be successful!

### Half term/Inset day

I would like to wish everyone a lovely half term break! The children and staff have worked hard and certainly earned the break! Please be aware that there will be a whole school closure on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June as this is a staff inset day. I look forward to seeing all the children on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June.

### Year 2 Assessments

This week, our Year 2 children have finally completed all of their Year 2 tests. They have all worked hard and these tests will be used to support their end of year assessment. Well done to all of our Year 2 children!

### Non-Uniform Day & Summer Fayre

Thank you to everyone who has donated a bottle towards our Summer Fayre today, this year it will take place on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July. It is always a great time to celebrate the summer together with lots of fun things to do; I hope you will be able to join us! A letter was emailed yesterday with more details regarding donations for the event.

### Sunny weather

Please can I remind everyone now the weather is getting warmer, that all items of clothing should have your child's name written on it. As children take off their jumpers or cardigans, they are usually left on the playground and go into the lost property box. Can I also ask your support us in reminding your children to ensure they look after their belongings.

### Sports day

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July, will be our sports day, weather permitting! I know Miss Wilkinson is already busy with preparations for this event and there will be more information coming to you soon.

### ParentPay

I would like to remind parents/carers that school dinners must be paid for in advance at the start of the week. Dinner accounts should always remain in credit. Children are not permitted to swap meal patterns during the week, the exception being that packed lunch children may choose a 'Friday Club' dinner at a cost of £2 per meal. If your child no longer requires a school dinner (or vice versa) please give a week's written notice to the School Office. Payments can be made via ParentPay.

### Key Dates

Tue 4<sup>th</sup> Jun – Return to school  
Tue 4<sup>th</sup> Jun – Yr2 Filey Trip  
Tue 4<sup>th</sup> Jun – 3W Library visit  
Fri 7<sup>th</sup> Jun – Yr3 Jorvik Trip  
Mon 10<sup>th</sup> Jun – Yr1 Phonics Screening Week  
Fri 14<sup>th</sup> Jun – Yr4 Leeds City Museum Trip  
Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Jun – Reception The Deep Trip  
Mon 24<sup>th</sup> Jun – Yr6 Residential

### Letters Issued this Week

24/05/19 - 3W Library Visit  
23/05/19 - Summer Fayre  
21/05/19 - Nursery Closure 21 June 2019  
21/05/19 - Year 3 Jorvik Trip Letter

**Please remember that letters are now only emailed through ParentPay. Please register if you haven't already. If you require a paper version, please ask at the School Office. All letters can be found on the website.**

## 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 first aiders in school.

Please remember that children should be at their class doors by 8:50am. If you arrive later, the gates are locked at 9:00am so you will need to sign your child in at the School Office.

**Our weekly attendance is:**

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
RB	93.10	4A	96.19
RBM	96.67	4B	87.50
1S	93.00	5H	91.38
1W	91.79	5W	93.33
2M	92.76	6D	99.29
2T	99.33	6OT	92.07
3G	96.00	Whole School total	94.45
3W	99.33	Cumulative total	95.79

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



## Celebration



In every single 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 this week!

Class	Child of the week!	Class	Child of the week!
RB	Layla-Mae J	3W	Jahden J
RBM	Millie EH	4A	Connor V
1S	Matilda B	4B	Jayden B
1W	Samuel HJ	5H	Ryan G
2M	Georgia S	5W	Tom M
2T	Kaydee D	6D	Caitlin H
3G	William R	6OT	Mikey A

**Thank you for your continued support!**

**Mr James Parkinson – Head of School**