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**Newsletter 16**

Dear Parents/Carers,

**Testing Times!**

This week our Year 6 pupils carried out their end of Key Stage 2 tests in mathematics, reading, grammar, punctuation and spelling. They have worked extremely hard in the run up to their end of KS2 assessments and we would like to congratulate them for their continued positive attitudes! We are sure their hard work will pay off when they receive their results.

Year 2 are also completing their end of KS1 assessments, starting this week and running into next week.

Special mention also to Year 2 pupils carrying out literacy and numeracy assessments for Key Stage 1.

Again, we have been delighted with the attitudes and effort of all of our children. Well done Year 6 and Year 2!

Our Year 1 pupils will take their Phonics Screening Test during the **week commencing 13 June**.

**To Be or Not to Be**

Last week, children from all classes across school participated in a week of theatrical workshops, re-enacting scenes from plays written by William Shakespeare such as: Romeo and Juliet, The Tempest and Hamlet. Children's work as a result of the workshops will be displayed in all of our school corridors during the Summer Term. A huge thank you to Miss Lea for organising the event.

**Newsround**

Last Friday, **Tasha Crawford, the Assistant Producer for the CBBC 'Newsround'** television programme visited school. She worked with a small group of pupils from year 5 and 6, gathering their ideas and views on the significant contribution Indian soldiers played during World War 1. The programme will be aired during the week beginning 24<sup>th</sup> June. A big thank you to: Dhruv Patil, Amrit Hira, Matthew Mitchell, Jake Simpson, Darcy Pinder and Hannah Ellis for their brilliant participation in the project.

**School trips/visits**

Finally, the weather seems to be improving and temperatures at long last are starting to rise. Children often become very warm in school and can become dehydrated, especially at lunchtimes when they are running around. To make them more comfortable during the Summer months, we encourage the children to drink plenty of water and dress to suit the weather (sun hats, short sleeved shirts etc).

**We are asking that parents send their child into school with an additional drink(s) (no fizzy drinks) if their child is on a school trip.** Hopefully this will prevent children becoming dehydrated if trips involve long journeys/walks away from refreshment facilities. Thank you.

**Parking**

PLEASE NOTE: We have been notified by our local PSCO from West Yorkshire Police that fines have recently been issued to the owners of cars which obstruct access to school. Please ensure that you adhere to the road markings around the school to avoid penalties.

**Governor Vacancy**

We are looking to appoint another Parent Governor. Please see the school office for details.



## PTFA

Work is well under way for our **Summer Fayre on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June** so keep an eye out for more information. Our Summer Raffle tickets will soon be sent home with many wonderful prizes to be won.

## Diary Dates

### Sports Day

Weather permitting, our first scheduled Sports Days will be held next week. Parents are welcome to join us on the school field and can obtain access via the gate on Doctor Hill onto the field from 1:30pm. If the weather forces us to cancel the event, Sports Days will be rescheduled and parents will be notified.

**Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will be on Tuesday 17 May 1:45pm– 3:15pm**

**Year 3 and Year 4 will be on Wednesday 18 May 2:00pm – 3:15pm**

**Year 5 and Year 6 will be on Thursday 19 May 2:00pm – 3:15pm**

Please make sure your child has a water bottle in school for that day.

### Class Assemblies Summer Term

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13 May: 4G

20 May: 2R

27 May: 2S

17 June: 3L

24 June: 3G

1 July: 1R

8 July: 1P

July 15: both Reception classes

### Special Mention in Achievement Assemblies

Class	25 April and 2 May
6W	Josh Armitage and Ben Patterson
6R	Matthew Mitchell and Jack Lever
5S	Scarlett Hird and Adam Jowett
5H	Maisy Smithies and the whole class
4G	Whole class, Jimmi Preston and Louis Bryan
4L	Whole class and Abbie Lennon
3L	Whole class and Molly Rhodes
3G	Whole class and Archie Matthews
2S	Kallum Waite and Asees Singh
2R	Ruby Briggs and Ellie Bayliss
1R	Oliver Noble and Natalie Coe
1P	Tyler Sargeant and Maisie Waterhouse
RW	Zac Money and Christopher McHugh
RD	Alfie Williams and George Archer

Class Attendance trophy winners 25 April **4L and 5S** with 99.3%

Class Attendance trophy winners 2 May: **5S** with 99.7%

Miss Lea has asked us to thank the parents of Chloe Hopwood (3G) for the donation of plants for our School Gardening club.

**School closes for half term on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May at 3:15pm and will re-open on Thursday 9th June at 8:45am**

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher

Lisa Keighley  
Head of School



INVESTORS IN PUPILS



Healthy School