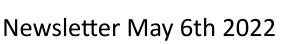
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Head's Note

Dear All,

Next week sees the start of testing for many of our pupils. Testing occurs at different times for pupils, depending what year group they are in, but all testing will be complete before the end of June. Y6 pupils will be sitting formal SATs tests next week, Y4 will be undertaking the multiplication test, Y2 will be undertaking tests and teacher assessment and Y1 (and some of Y2) will be undertaking a phonics test. All outcomes will be reported to parents when the results are confirmed. Please see below for more information regarding Y6 and Y2.

If you have any questions, please call in and see Mrs Travis. Best wishes, Mrs Travis.

SATs Week 09.05.22

Parents and carers of pupils in years two and six were all invited into school to learn more about the statutory tests (SATs) their children will be undertaking next week in Yr 6 and over the next month in Yr 2.

See the SATs section on Y6 and Y2 class pages of our school website for further information. There is an abundance of tips and advice about how to make the SATs process an enjoyable and stress-free experience for our children.

All Y6 children are invited to school for breakfast at 8.30am during SATs days (May 9th to May 12th). Breakfast will be taken in the Y6 classroom and children should enter through the hall door and then make their way to Y6.

We know that you will all wish our pupils good luck; they have worked hard all year and are looking forward to being able to showcase all they have learnt in a test situation. We are very proud of them all!

Scarecrow Festival

I hope you were able to take part in our scarecrow treasure hunt during the Easter break. If you did, we hope you found them all! The children had a wonderful time creating their scarecrows but a HUGE THANK



YOU must go to Mr Train, who very kindly donated all the straw. Thank you.

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Bumped Heads: Just a reminder that procedures for notifying you about bumped heads has now changed. Notifications of bumped heads are being emailed to parents/carers. This is to minimise the disruption to parents caused by a telephone call. Please ensure that you open the email so that it registers as being received and read. This system is still being trialled so any feedback would be most appreciated. Many thanks.

Earrings: We have noticed that a lot of pupils have had their ears pierced recently. Just a reminder that earrings must be studs only, not hoops or long 'fashion'-style' earrings. They have to be either taken out for PE lessons or taped up, so please can you ensure that your child either does not come to school wearing earrings on the days they have PE or that you tape their ears to cover the studs before they come into school. Swimming cannot be undertaken if your ears have been recently pierced, so can parents of Year Four, who will be having swimming lessons in the autumn, bear this in mind if they are thinking of having their child's ears pierced over the summer. Thank you.

New community café—Why not take a little bit of me time and visit the new community café (see flyer below). Meals are free (although donations are welcome). Why not give this great community initiative a try!

Football Competition

Our mixed Year 5 and 6 football team had a great time and played really well at the Colne Valley Tournament this week. Their teamwork, skills and hardwork meant that they won games, scored lots of goals and finished 4th in the league. They also showed great sportsmanship towards the teams from other schools. We are very proud of them all!



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Wellbeing Fair - May 4th 2022

We were delighted to hold our first-ever Wellbeing Fair, for parents, carers and families to improve wellbeing and inform you about all the help and support available



locally. Visitors to the fair enjoyed complementary refreshments served by Year Five and spoke to our stallholders about issues personal to them.

At the fair, representatives from local agencies were available to offer friendly advice and support about a number of subjects that we know often worry, and can be confusing for parents / carers, children and teenagers. It was super to see so many of people taking advantage of the opportunity to find out what is available in our community to support. We welcomed representatives from:

<u>The Colne Valley Hub</u> - providing a wide range of support for families in The Colne Valley. Lisa shared information about a variety of subjects including the food share shop, uniform exchange, free activities for families during school holidays, links to support networks for parents of children with SEND and help for low income families.

<u>Family Support Worker Alex Kalinowski</u> shared his wealth of knowledge about support in the Linthwaite community for parents and carers who experience children's challenging behaviour at home with infants, children and teens.

Empowering Parents, Empowering Communities -

A supportive, friendly network of parents and carers who support each other to navigate the ups and downs of being parents/carers. These like-minded people know exactly what you are going through and offered practical parenting courses, tips and advice.

It was lovely to see so many of our families at the fair and we hope to repeat the event in the future. See the page below for photos of our event.

Swimming lessons

After a long Covid break from school swimming lessons then catch-up for our older pupils this year, we have been informed that these will continue in the autumn term. Swimming lessons will be for pupils in Year Five who have not yet have achieved the expected standard in swimming and for all our current Year Four pupils. More information about swimming lessons will be shared at a later date.

MP Jason McCartney's visit

Linthwaite Ardron welcomed MP Jason McCartney into school this morning, to plant the first of fifteen trees donated through the Woodland Trust charity.

He had written to school earlier in the year, inviting us to be part of the Queen's Green Canopy Initiative and so Linthwaite responded by contacting the charity to request the trees.

These will be now be planted around our school grounds in honour of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and we look forward to them creating shade and natural habitats for wildlife around our school grounds for many years to come. See the page below for photographs of Mr McCartney's visit.

Grow a £1 Challenge

Our fun 'Apprentice'-style PTFA challenge that ran from the Easter holidays, the 'Grow a Pound Challenge', comes to an end next week. And what creative ideas and ventures our children have come up with! generosity; compassion; perseverance; forgiveness; friendship; truthfulness; generosity; compassion; perseverance; forgiveness; friendship; truthfulness;

Pupils in school have been hard at work since Easter, working on their own businesses and individual moneymaking schemes and are now starting to return the 'profits' from these into school.

We are now asking the children to 'close' their businesses and return their pounds given by our PTFA. If this could be returned to us next week please, (as well as all profits made from their hard work of course!), and brought back into school, we will then put it towards our pupils' personal development, such as school trips.

Prizes will be awarded by the PTFA for the highest total raised, plus for the most creative business ideas as well, so we will keep you posted on the results of this exciting initiative!

Bags2School!

Thank you to everyone who brought in their bags of unwanted clothes for the recent Bags2School event organized by our PTFA. We raised a huge £100 for school, which is almost double our other recent collections. Well done everyone and thank you to the PTFA, who organised this event.

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MP Jason McCartney Tree Planting - Friday 6th May









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Summer 1 2022—Upcoming Diary Dates			
Dates	Event	Who is it for?	
09/05/22	KS2 SATS week (please see information on our website about how you can support your child at home)	Y6	
09/05/22	KS1 SATS will take place in the month after this date and will be informal in style.	Y2 pupils	
09/05/22	PTFA fund-raiser 'Grow a £1 challenge' money due back into school	Everyone	
10/05/22	Y5 Mini Olympics 1-3PM CVHS	Pupils in Y5	
12/05/22	YR—Nature Smart Education Day (Outdoor learning day). Children need to arrive at school in clothes suitable for the outdoors.	All pupils in YR	
12/05/22—New date	Y4 visit to Tolson Museum	Y4 pupils	
13/05/22—New date	Your maths, their maths, our maths course—now virtual (see newsletter for more information)	All parents and carers	
13/05/22	Y3 Mini Olympics 1-3PM CVHS	Pupils in Y3	
17/05/22	Y3/4 Cricket Competition @ Broad Oak—times TBC	Selected pupils	
17/05/22—New date	PTFA meeting 7:30 Broad Oak Bowling Club	All parents, carers and friend welcome	
19/05/22	Y3/4 Football Competition 4.15pm—5.45pm @ CVHS	Selected pupils	
19/05/22	Y5 trip to Oakwell Hall	Y5 pupils	
19/05/22	Y3 trip to Bagshaw Museum	Y3 pupils	
20/05/22—New date	Your maths, their maths, our maths course—now virtual (see newsletter for more information)	All parents and carers	
24/05/22	Y5/6 Cricket Competition—times TBC	Selected pupils	
27/05/22—New date	Your maths, their maths, our maths course—now virtual (see newsletter for more information)	All parents and carers	
27/05/22	School closes for half term break	Everyone	
07/06/22	School reopens after half term break	Everyone	

Summer 2 2022—Upcoming Diary Dates		
07/06/22	School reopens after half term break	Everyone
09/06/22	Y6 school trip to Oakwell Hall	Y6 pupils
09/06/22	Y4 school trip to Bagshaw Museum	Y4 pupils
10/06/22	Y5—Nature Smart Education Day (Outdoor learning day). Children need to arrive at school in clothes suitable for the outdoors.	All pupils in Y5
10/06/22	Y1 Mini Olympics 1-3PM CVHS	Pupils in Y1
10/06/22—New date	Your maths, their maths, our maths course—now virtual (see newsletter for more information)	All parents and carers
13/06/22— provisional date	If church rules permit —Church service at our church, Christ Church. Service will start as soon as the children can register and get across to church, approx. 9:10am	All pupils. Parents/ carers also welcome
w/b 13/06/22	Spirited Art Week—Exciting activities will take place all week based on our theme which is yet to be chosen.	All pupils in school
14/06/22	Y6 Mini Olympics 1-3PM CVHS	Pupils in Y6
16/06/22	Y5 Kirklees Primary Music Festival—evening event at Huddersfield Town Hall	Pupils in Y5 and school choir members
17/06/22	Y4/5/6 Girls Cricket Competition @ Broad Oak—times TBC	Selected pupils
17/06/22—New date	Your maths, their maths, our maths course—now virtual (see newsletter for more information)	All parents and carers
21/06/22	Y1/2 Football at CVHS 4.15—5.45	Selected pupils
22/06/22—new date	Hand to Mouth Church School Partnership Day at Lindley Methodist Church for 6 Year 3 children	6 children from Y3
23/06/22	Y6—Nature Smart Education Day (Outdoor learning day). Children need to arrive at school in clothes suitable for the outdoors.	All pupils in Y6
24/06/22—new date	PTFA Summer Fair in school –more details to follow	Everyone
30/06/22 to 01/07/22	Y6 Residential trip to Scammonden	Y6 pupils
01/07/22—new date	Y2 school trip to Stirley Community Farm	Pupils in Y2
01/07/22—new date	Y3—Nature Smart Education Day (Outdoor learning day). Children need to arrive at school in clothes suitable for the outdoors.	Pupils in Y3
w/b 04/07/22	Whole School Healthy and Safe Week	All pupils in school
05/07/22—new date	Manchester Actors Company 'In the Garden of Poetry' performance in the morning	All pupils in school
05/07/22	Y2 Mini Olympics 1-3PM CVHS	Pupils in Y2
06/07/22	Creature Ark visiting Key Stage 2	Pupils in Key Stage 2
07/07/22	Creature Ark visiting Key Stage 1	Pupils in Key Stage 1
08/07/22	Sport's Day	All pupils in school
11/07/22	Reserve Sports Day (in case in inclement weather on 8th July)	All pupils in school
14/07/22	6.30pm—Y6 production and leaving celebration	All Y6 pupils. Parents/ carers invited.