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## Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly, a huge well done to all of our Year 6 children for a great performance on their SAT papers this week. The discussions I have had with many Heads this week has been around how tricky both the spellings and reading tests were. Our children coped admirably showing their true resilience. Now we have to wait until Tuesday 11th July for the results! It did make me chuckle that one Headteacher commented that their children had thought a text referring to 'rustlers' meant burgers as opposed to sheep rustlers! It would be so much more helpful if the texts given were relevant to all children.

Life does go on in the rest of the school during SATS week although very quietly! Year 4 have visited the library - thank goodness the weather was fine for them. And of course, we met with the parents of our New Starters for Reception 2023. Our exciting news is that Miss Russell will be leading Reception next year with Mrs Bowerman, as Mrs Kershaw will be welcoming another new arrival to her family in October. We are advertising for a maternity cover post for Year 1 to begin in October and Mrs Kershaw will take her current class into Year 1 at the beginning of the next school year. We will of course keep you updated once we have some news of who will be covering this class when Mrs Kershaw takes her maternity leave.

Some of you may know that Mr Moulding is also expecting a new arrival too and will be taking 2 weeks off on paternity leave at some point in the next few weeks. We have cover plans in place for when Mr Moulding is absent and again will inform you of these at the time of his leave. In the meantime, to keep him busy, he will be completing the Year 2 SATS with his class next week and taking them on a trip to Farmer Parr's the following week.

Don't forget that next Monday is one of only two Monday's this May when there isn't a bank holiday so we expect to see you all in school bright and early.

Have a wonderful weekend, and for those of you watching enjoy Eurovision!

Mrs Katherine Shuttleworth

## Dates for your diary (new dates in red)

Monday $\mathbf{1 5}^{\text {th }}$ May - KS1 SATs Week
Thursday $18^{\text {th }}$ May - Y1 Library Visit
Thursday $18^{\text {th }}$ May - 5:30pm-7:00pm - End
Of SATs Disco
Monday 22 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$ May - 4:30pm-5:00pm - Y2
iPad Meeting
Wednesday $\mathbf{2 4}^{\text {th }}$ May - Y2 Farmer Parr's Trip
Wednesday 24 $^{\text {th }}$ May - Y5 Ranger Day at Fairhaven Lake
Thursday $25^{\text {th }}$ May - Non-Uniform Day -
Colour Stall Donations
Thursday $\mathbf{2 5}^{\text {th }}$ May - Progress \& Kindness Cup Assembly
Thursday $25^{\text {th }}$ May - School Closes For Half Term (usual finishing times apply)
Friday $\mathbf{2 6}^{\text {th }}$ May - Staff Inset Day
Monday $5^{\text {th }}$ June - School Re-Opens To All Pupils
Tuesday 6 $^{\text {th }}$ June - Y1 Ridgeway Farm Trip Tuesday 13th June - Y3 Imagine That! Trip Tuesday 20 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ June - Y4 Lancaster Museum Trip

## Free School Meals/Pupil Premium

During these challenging times that we are currently experiencing, your financial circumstances may have changed and your child may be entitled to free school meals/pupil premium. You can quickly check your eligibility by visiting the following website,
https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/free-school-meals/
Please be aware school receives additional funding for any pupil premium children we have on roll so it would be appreciated if you check your eligibility and apply if entitled.

| Class Attendance <br> (week ending <br> (12/05/23) | Weekly | Stars Of The Week <br> Well done to all our Winners |  |
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| Oak | You should be very proud of your achievements |  |  |

## Attendance

Well done to Oak, Beech, Rowan, Maple, Willow, Sycamore \& Hornbeam classes for achieving over 96\% attendance this week.
Oak \& Hornbeam Class can come to school next week on Friday 19 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ May in their own clothes as their class reward for achieving $100 \%$ attendance this week.

## End Of SATs Disco

There are still some tickets for the End of SATs Disco next Thursday $18^{\text {th }}$ May.
Tickets are available within the "School Shop" section of your Arbor App at a cost of $£ 2.50$ per child. Due to both health and safety measures and staffing, we have to limit disco attendance to 120 children.

Please Note: Payments MUST be made by 9pm on Wednesday 17th May as we will not be able to accept any children after the payment item closes or the maximum number of attendees is reached.

All children will need to enter via the school office at 5.30pm and should be collected from the KS2 playground at 7 pm . prompt.

## Friends Raffle

The Friends are running a raffle to win 2 adult tickets to Think Twice - The Ultimate Tribute to Celine Dion with vocalist January Butler at Lytham Hall on Saturday $27^{\text {th }}$ May.
Raffle tickets are available within the "School Shop" section of your Arbor App at a cost of $£ 2.00$ per ticket. Raffle tickets will be available to buy until 9pm on Thursday $18^{\text {th }}$ May and the raffle draw will take place on Friday 19th May.
Good luck everybody!

## Gardening Donations

We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone to has donated items such as car tyres, pallets, plants and plant pots to improve our school grounds.
We have been overwhelmed with your generosity and now have enough items for our upcoming planned projects.


## MAY HALF TERM SOCCER SCHOOL

## Train like a pro at our Soccer School!

Coaching from FA qualified coaches!
Skills development and team challenges!
$\qquad$ Visit to AFC Fylde Mill Farm Stadium!

Chance to win AFC Fylde memorabilia!


# End of Sats Disco Thursday $18^{\text {th }}$ May 5.30pm -7 pm 



Tickets $£ 2.50$ payable through Arbor
There will be sweets and drinks available to purchase on the evening, please bring some extra pocket money

The Friends thank you for your continued support raising extra funds for school!
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## Non Uniform Day Thursday $\mathbf{2 5}^{\text {th }}$ May



Children may come to school in non-uniform in exchange for a coloured item to be part of the colour stall at the Summer Fair e.g. smellies, food gifts, novelties etc. please bring an item in your child's team colour red, green, yellow, blue

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