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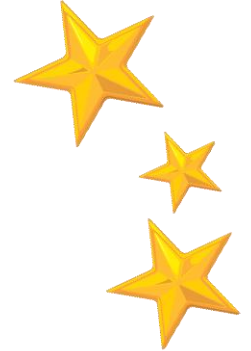
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SUMMER 2017 - Newsletter 1



Sicklinghall Superstars!



Congratulations to everyone who has received a Special Mention Certificate this week:

Martha Clegg

Amber Hewines

Jvie Ward

Anna Brotheridge

Lily Clee

Regan Parkin

Lyla Ward

Gabriella Wilkinson

Archie Hall



NEWSLETTER

Welcome back to the summer term. We hope that families have enjoyed the Easter break. We are very much looking forward to the opportunities that summer in school provide- new clubs, outdoor learning, visits and visitors to name but a few!

We warmly welcome two new starters and their families to Sicklinghall this week, including Amber in Year 1. If you see them in and around school, do say 'hi'!

School Uniform

Following discussion with parents, we have added a navy blue 'skort' to our approved uniform as an option for our girls to wear in the summer months. It will shortly be available from our uniform provider, KoolKidz in Wetherby, in all sizes.

Report of Yr4 Bewerley Park Residential

On the 5th to the 7th April 2017, Year 4 went to Bewerley Park. On the first day, after we arrived we unpacked and got our waterproofs and went to lunch. We then split into two groups and one group went to Brimham Rocks whilst the other group went to the cave. The next morning after a good night's sleep (apart from when some people snored!) we got dressed and had breakfast. We then went gorge walking. We set off BOILING but came back FREEZING! The following day we went canoeing which was great fun!

My favourite bit was the gorge walking! Hannah S

My favourite bit was the canoeing! Ella

My favourite part was the warm showers and the gorge walking! Hannah D

By Hannah S, Hannah D and Ella

Change of Arrangements at the Start of the Day

Parents and carers will have noticed the change to how the beginning of the school day is organised when the bell rings at 8:50am. Pupils in Year 2 to 6 line up on the playground and come into school by year group independently when called by their teacher. This is to ensure that learning time is not lost at the beginning of

the day and that pupils can quickly settle into learning. Many thanks for your support of this change.

Visit from Pupils at Prasarnmit Elementary School, Bangkok

The visit from ten pupils and three staff from Bangkok is now confirmed and we look forward to hosting our friends from Monday 15th to Friday 26th May. Willow Class families have received an additional letter asking for volunteers to host pairs of pupils 'for tea' on selected dates. Please volunteer if you can!

Miss Copperthwaite

Miss Copperthwaite has been successful in her application for the role of KS2 teacher at a school in Knaresborough from September 2017. We shall naturally be sad to see Miss Copperthwaite leave us at the end of summer but we are very pleased for her as she moves to the next stage in her career.

The recruitment process will take place this half term to find Miss Copperthwaite's replacement.

PE Kits in School

Please ensure that your child has full PE in school during the week as timetabled PE lessons may move due to the weather. It is particularly important in the summer months that every pupil has the appropriate clothing to change into for PE, including:

- Shorts or tracksuit style bottoms.
- White T-shirt
- Trainers / PE shoes
- Socks
- Jumper (school uniform jumper can be used)

NEW - Forest Schools Club (Yrs 2-6)

Miss Brown's Forest Schools Club is now full for this half term. Details of any requirements for this term and/or for Summer Term 2 will be advised in future newsletters.



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SATS Week & Year 6 Breakfast Club

Year 6 SATs will take place during the week beginning 8th May 2017. Pupils will sit tests in Reading, Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation and Maths during the mornings.

Y6 Breakfast Club- We will once again run a breakfast club for our Y6 pupils during test week. This has proved to be very popular with Y6s in previous years, all of whom attended. Breakfast club will begin at 8:15am each morning in Willow Class. This will be an opportunity for pupils to relax before each test, talk to their friends and allay any last minute concerns with staff each morning. We will provide toast and spreads, cereal, milk and juice each morning and will also run the club on Friday, despite there being no test, for those wishing to attend. There will be no charge for this club.

Key Experience Letters

Please see below Key Experience letters for each class.

Yr 6 Fellside Residential: Monday 19-Friday 23 June

Thank you for all deposit payments made for your child's joint residential to Fellside. The final balance payment of £292.36 is required to be paid in full by **Friday 19 June**, via your child's ParentPay account. Further details and kit lists will be sent out during the next few weeks.

Fruity Booty

The **NEW Fruity Booty** payment service for **SUMMER Term 1** is live and available for payments. If your child is in Year 3 - 6 and has fruit each day may we ask that payment is made using this service **before Monday 15 May 2017**.

Unfortunately we have received significantly lower payments for Fruity Booty Spring Term 2. Please could you check if your child has been receiving fruit during this half term and make the £3.50 payment on the Spring 2 ParentPay service if applicable. Thank you.

Music Lessons - Mrs Hanson & Mr Hills

Mrs Hanson's next music lesson in school will be **Monday 8 May 2017**.

Due to SATS tests taking place each morning for our Year 6's w/c 8 May, Mr Hills may be teaching double length lessons during the morning of **Monday 15 May**.

Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers

A HUGE thank you and well done so far to those collecting the Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers. These are put to great use for new gardening, cooking or sports resources for the children in school. There is still time so please keep collecting and posting the vouchers into the box outside the school office. So far we have a fantastic 1400 vouchers - let's try to beat last year's total. **We are collecting vouchers until Friday 26 May**. Thank you again and happy shopping!

Mrs Kemp

Mr Finch - After School Club

This term, Summer Term 1 (8/15/22 May) will see Mr Finch's after school club enjoying Cricket. This will then continue during the course of Summer Term 2. If anyone not already attending Mr Finch's after school club would like to do so, please complete the consent slip below and return to the school office.

ParentPay

Thank you for payments already received for various services. **Please ensure that your child's lunch account is in credit before lunches are taken and that your child's Chill Out Zone account is also in credit before places are booked.**

Please may we ask that you check your child's balances for the various trips, clubs, water bottles and services taken to ensure that and any outstanding balances are paid accordingly.

Payment services are available for:

NEW-Fruity Booty-SUMMER Term 1 2017

Yr6 Residential to Fellside, June 2017

Ukulele Lessons - Yr5&Yr6 for Sept 2016

Swimming Lessons for Silver Birch class

Swimming Lessons for Cherry Blossom class

Breakfast Club

Chill Out Zone

Please make payments accordingly if applicable for your child. Thank you.



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Spotted

Mr Shillito has spotted the following children in and around school this week:

Cherry Blossom- Harrison for taking new challenges in his stride.

Silver Birch- Anna-Maria for her kindness towards others.

Willow- Louie S for his fantastic written description. Awesome writing!

Friday Folders

Please could you ensure that your Friday Folders are returned to the school **on Mondays of each week**. Please ask your child to hand it to their class teacher. Thank you.

Attendance Aces

Congratulations to YrR, Yr4 & Yr6 with 100%

Reception are the year group to beat- they have won the attendance aces twice in a row this year!

Year Group	This Week (%)	Half Term Points
Reception	100	1
Year 1	97.8	
Year 2	98	
Year 3	95.7	
Year 4	100	1
Year 5	93.7	
Year 6	100	1

SCHOOL DIARY DATES TO KEEP

2017

Summer Term - April-July 2017

Wed 26Apr-19 Jul: Cherry Blossom Swimming lessons
Every Mon 3.30-4.30pm Mr Finch After School Sports Club
Every Thu 3.30-4.30pm Forest Schools Club with Miss Brown

Every Tues 2.30-3.30pm Yr5/6 Ukulele lesson

Mon 24 Apr: Staff Training Day (School closed to pupils)

Tue 25 Apr: School re-opens to pupils
Tue 25 Apr: 3.30-4.30pm Drama Club (Yrs2-6)
Wed 26 Apr-Wed 19 Jul: Cherry Blossom Swimming lessons
Thur 28 Apr: 3.30-4.30pm Forest Schools Club (Yrs26)
Tue 2 May: 3.30-4.30pm Drama Club (Yrs2-6)
Thur 04 May: 3.30-4.30pm Forest Schools Club (Yrs26)
Tue 9 May: 3.30-4.30pm Drama Club (Yrs2-6)
Thur 11 May: 3.30-4.30pm Forest Schools Club (Yrs26)
Tue 16 May: 3.30-4.30pm Drama Club (Yrs2-6)
Thur 18 May: Parent/Carer forum mtg, school hall
Thur 18 May: 3.30-4.30pm Forest Schools Club (Yrs26)
Fri 19 May: Deadline for Yr6 Fellside final balance payments
Tue 23 May: 3.30-4.30pm Drama Club (Yrs2-6)
Thur 25 May: 3.30-4.30pm Forest Schools Club (Yrs26)
Fri 26 May: School closes for half-term holiday
Mon 5 Jun: School re-opens to pupils
Tue 6 Jun: 3.30-4.30pm Drama Club (Yrs2-6)
Thur 8 Jun: Adventure Photography-class/Yr6 photos
Tue 13 Jun: 3.30-4.30pm Drama Club (Yrs2-6)
Mon 19-Fri 23 Jun: Yr 6 Residential to Fellside
Thur 15 Jun: 2.00pm Sports Day
Tue 20 Jun: 2.00pm RESERVE Sports Day
Tue 20 Jun: 3.30-4.30pm Drama Club (Yrs2-6)
Tue 27 Jun: Yr6 Transition Day @ Spofforth School
Tue 27 Jun: 3.30-4.30pm Drama Club (Yrs2-6)
Thur 29 Jun: Parent/Carer forum mtg, school hall
Tue 4 Jul: pm/eve - Drama Club-Harrogate Theatre performances
Wed 5 & Thur 6 Jul: King James High School- Yr6 Transition Days
Wed 12 & Thur 13 Jul: Harrogate Grammar School & Rossett School-Yr6 Transition Days
Thur13 Jul: Summer play afternoon dress rehearsal-Village Hall-TBC
Fri 14 Jul: 6.30pm Summer play performance-Village Hall
Mon 17 Jul: 2pm Summer play performance-Village Hall
Fri 21 Jul: 1.30pm Yr 6 Leavers Assembly
Fri 21 Jul: **2.30pm** School closes for Summer holiday

Mr Shillito's weekly diary for April/May 2017:

w/c	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI
w/c 01.05.17	Bank Holiday	G'B	SCPS	SCPS	G'B
w/c 08.05.17	SCPS	G'B	G'B	SCPS	G'B
w/c 15.05.17	SCPS	G'B	SCPS	SCPS	G'B
w/c 22.05.17	SCPS	G'B	G'B	SCPS	G'B

Please note this may be subject to change



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Cherry Blossom Key Experiences Summer 1 2017
Reception/ Year One.

Literacy



During this half term in Literacy, we will be focusing on the books written by Shirley Hughes to introduce children to a selection of books by a particular author. The children will use what they have learned about features of story writing and illustrating to make their own narratives.

In the latter part of the half term, we will be looking at patterned poetry and we will be using a range of poetry styles to create our own.

Numeracy



In Numeracy we will be continuing to build on and consolidating previous learning. We will begin to look at and analyse data in simple graphs and charts. In particular, we will be solving puzzles and problems and beginning to explain our choices and decisions orally. We will be using the language of addition, subtraction, doubling and halving in order to express our thinking. Children will use their growing ability to evaluate their own thinking by beginning to assess their own and others' learning. ☺

Theme



Our theme for this half term is 'There's a Rumble in the Jungle.....' The children are particularly fascinated by animals, so we are planning an exciting theme to extend their learning in response to their interests. This unit has a Science/Geography focus looking at the natural world. Children will learn about animals and begin to classify them into groups. We will decide together as a group where the topic will lead us and the children will be able to shape the learning as the theme develops throughout the half term.

Important note!



Please read, read, read with your child at home! It really does make a huge difference to their learning and impacts on every aspect of the curriculum. A few minutes spent each evening with your child will enrich their and your lives! Many thanks.

Mrs Grafton, Mrs Clayton and Mrs Johnson-Ware.



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Key Experience Letter –Summer (1) 2017 – Year 2/3 – Silver Birch Class

Dear parents,

I hope you enjoyed your Easter break. I am aware the children had a lovely time enjoying the good weather with both family and friends.

Find below a brief explanation of the main topics we will be studying over this half term.

English

We will start with the unit 'Mystery stories' focussing on the story 'The HAT bus'. During this unit we will put a particular emphasis on punctuation and on text structure ensuring all our stories are well developed and make sense. After that, we will move onto 'Descriptions' where we will put a particular focus on our ambitious and accurate use of vocabulary.

Maths

This half term in Maths we will carry out an in depth revision of our learning on different Maths units in order to prepare our Year 2 pupils for their SATS. Year 3 pupils will also review their learning based on the Year 3 Maths Curriculum.

History

This term our history our class topic is 'The Romans'. During this really 'hands on' unit we will build our own shields, coins, togas and even mosaic floor! The pupils will enjoy learning about the fascinating lives of our ancestors and how much their developments have had an influence on the world we live in nowadays.

Science

In Science our new termly unit is 'Rocks and Soils' - we will explore the different types of rocks and their formation. We will also look into a variety of rock uses and carry out a range of fun investigations.

SEAL

Our topic this half term is 'Becoming an active citizen'. In SEAL pupils will consider the different groups they belong to (e.g : family, school, after school activities...) and learn about our British democratic system. During this unit we will carry out a range of interesting debates that will enhance pupils' ability to listen, think and communicate their own thoughts verbally.

Spanish

In Spanish this half term we will learn about describing people and animals using appropriate adjectives and full sentences in our vocabulary.

Music

In Music this half term we will learn about 'Folk Music'.

RE

In RE we will be learning about the 'Mandir' following from our visit last half term.

Appropriate outdoor P.E kit will be required every Monday and Friday.

I hope this information is useful to all of you. Should you have any queries or doubts whatsoever please do feel free to speak with me at the school.

Kind regards, **Ms Gimeno**



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Willow Class Summer Term 1 Key Experiences Letter

Maths

This half term, the maths focus in Years 4 and 5 will be on angles to start with. We will look at the names of the various angles and then have a go at drawing them ourselves. After that, both years will be moving onto measurement. We will start with units of measurement and then Year 5 will have a go at converting between different units. Our focus will then shift to time, with both years carrying out some problem solving activities based on converting between analogue and digital time. Finally, we are going to learn about area and perimeter of shape: how to estimate and how to calculate the area of both regular and irregular shapes.

For the first two weeks, Year 6 will be revising all elements of maths in preparation for the SATs, after which we will focus on investigations that draw upon and extend a range of skills learnt throughout the year.

In mental maths lessons, the focus will remain on times tables, maths vocabulary and mental strategies.

Literacy

We continue to have a weekly grammar focus, which is different for the two halves of Willow Class.

Years 4 and 5 will cover the following:

- Using correct speech punctuation
- Modal verbs
- Parenthesis
- Hyphens
- Dashes
- Recap singular and plural
- Correct tenses through writing.

...Whilst Year 6 will be revising in preparation for their SATs tests!

In literacy lessons, all the children will be writing a newspaper article about a drought in the Saleh region of Africa. They will learn about tabloid and broadsheet newspapers, bias, how to report speech, and formal and informal language. This will be inspired by our topic for the term – Africa!

Science

This half term all three year groups will be learning about materials. This will include states of matter and the water cycle, and properties of materials - including conductivity.

Topic

Our topic for the summer term is Africa! Willow Class will begin by learning about the physical geography of Africa and the distinct climates of eight different African regions. We will use this to develop an understanding of how the physical geography has an impact on the human geography; from here, the focus will be on the wide and rich cultures in those areas. We will explore African dance, music and art, including sculpture.

Art

This term, we will be creating some very colourful Tinga Tinga art! This is a relatively modern African art style and should make for an exciting display!

Music

Over this term, Years 5 and 6 will continue their ukulele lessons with Mr Hill, whilst Year 4 will learn about graphic scores and music notation, ultimately writing the correct notations for a piece they have composed.

Please note:

Homework will continue to be set on Thursdays and due in on Tuesdays. Spellings will be set on Thursdays with the homework and will be tested the following Friday. Times tables should be practised regularly and fiction books must be brought to school every day. Please encourage your child to commit to full books as this will support their reading comprehension and writing!

As always, please pop in if you have any questions or concerns.

Miss Copperthwaite and Miss Potter

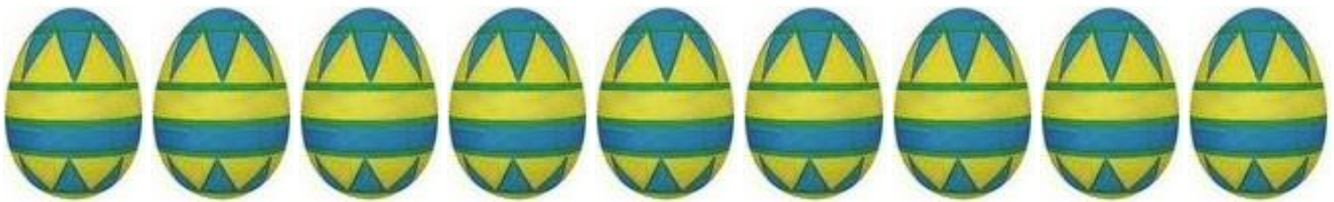


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PTFA NEWS

Daffodil Tea & Easter Egg Hunt – Tuesday, 4 April 2017



Daffodil Tea was a terrific success again this year and we had a really excellent turnout.

Thank you, once again, to everybody who helped us on the day.

Aggie McGuinness photography

In the Friday Folders over Easter, you will have found a leaflet offering FREE award winning family photography from Aggie McGuinness in return for a donation of £20 directly to your PTFA. The offer is valid until the end of September 2017, so please do take advantage while you can.

PTFA Diary Dates

Pamper Night: Friday, 9 June 2017 (Sicklinghall Village Hall)

End of Year Party: Friday, 21 July 2017 (venue TBC)

2016/2017 PTFA Committee

Chair: Jules Clegg Vice Chair: Hannah Young Treasurer: Melanie Kunz Secretary: Louise Clee
Committee Members: Sophie Russell, Sally Perry, Aimee Hall, Liz Grange