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# School Newsletter

## Thursday 8th June 2023

We have now started the final term of the school year and I'm sure you'll agree that time has absolutely flown by! That said, we still have 6 full weeks of school left and have lots planned for the children to learn and do!

### Healthy Bodies, Healthy Minds

The whole school topic this term is called 'Healthy Bodies, Healthy Minds'. During the topic, children will learn more about the importance of leading healthy and active lifestyles. They will also learn about the importance of mental health and well-being. Each class will be looking at healthy eating and cooking as part of a DT unit.

To start the topic off with a bang, you will be aware that children had the chance to participate in a Tough Runner activity. The children had an amazing time and got their hearts racing with huge smiles on their faces! We would be very grateful if any further sponsor money raised could be sent in to school. We are planning on putting money raised towards the cost of lots of the sporting activities taking place this term.

Some other events the children can look forward to are: wheelchair skills, frisbee golf, mini golf, archery and bike riding (for Class 3 and 4), dancing, team building and sports day! I look forward to seeing the children taking part in these sessions.

### Transition Day

Now the year is drawing to a close, we have to start thinking about next year. On Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July we have planned a transition day. This is when children will move up a year group for the day.

For lots of children, this will mean trying out a new classroom and meeting their new classmates and teachers. Hopefully, the day will give the children a chance to ask any questions they have and they will leave school that day really excited about next year!

### Staffing News – 25 Years of Service!!

We are very proud of our school and feel it is not only a great place for children to come and learn, but also feel it is a wonderful place to work.



Lindsay Ward clearly agrees with this as she recently reached the amazing milestone of working at the school for a staggering 25 years (I know – she doesn't look old enough, but it's true). I'm sure you'll agree reaching 25 years of service for Scarcliffe Primary School shows amazing commitment and dedication and we continue to feel incredibly lucky to have Mrs Ward as a valued and respected member of our team!

### PSHE Focus this Term



This half term all classes are learning about **Being Healthy**. This topic has been selected as it links so well to the whole school topic – healthy bodies, healthy minds. Like the topic, this PSHE unit focuses on physical and emotional and mental well-being. Towards the end of the year, Year 6 children will also be taught lessons linked to sex education. More information will be sent home regarding this to parents and carers.

## Safeguarding and iVengers

Last term, our iVengers put a short video together to share with parents and carers. The video focussed on live streaming and explained what it is as well as the associated risks. The video was shared on Class Dojo and is also available on the school website – under the iVenger section.

This term, the team are planning to meet parent and carers of children new to FS2 to give them some key messages about technology.

Below are two links to some very useful online safety websites. One is for parents and carers of young children while the other is all about children wanting to play games that are too old for them. The links can be followed on the website version of the newsletter on the school website. The QR code below will take you to the newsletter page.

[Keeping Your Under Five Safe Online](#), CEOP

[Help! My child wants to play games that are too old for them. - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)



Scan to visit the newsletters online. Click Newsletter 8 for this one.

## School Games Mark

Last term we completed a number of sporting activities – including Bikeability level 1 for the Year 4 children and Bikeability level 2 for the Year 6s.

I was also delighted with our performance at the tag rugby competition. We took a Year 5 team as well as a Year 6 team. Our Year 5s came fifth overall but showed great team spirit and have gained valuable experience which we hope to put to good use next year. Our Year 6s came a very close second and again represented the school amazingly well.

## School Photos

Sarah Mann has been back in school taking class pictures. Samples should have reached you by now. Please make sure orders are placed online if you wish to have a copy of the picture.

## Local PCSO

Our local PCSO (Sam Fellows) visited school just before half term to meet the children and explain more about what her role involves.

She has been working with local residents to help set up a community speed watch. Their aim is to slow vehicles down as they travel through the village and we are sure you will agree this would make the village safer for local residents as well as our whole school community.

Some of our pupils are going to be doing work with Sam. They will be making posters to encourage drivers to slow down and will get the chance to head in to the village to show them to drivers.

## Directory of Local Services

At Scarcliffe Primary, we understand that we have a role to play in not only teaching children, but in supporting our families too. If you ever need any help or support, please do not hesitate to contact school. Even if we are unable to help, we will be able to signpost you to people who will be able to.

Below is another QR code which you can scan to visit our webpage for supporting parents. The page includes a local directory of services available.



Scan to visit our parent support page which includes a directory of local services.

## PTA

Our PTA have done a wonderful job over the last few years and have managed to raise lots of money for school at the same time as planning fun activities for children and families. Some particular highlights have been the annual discos and the bingo nights! Cathy and Lynne have been very active of the PTA and now their children/grandchildren are leaving school we will be actively looking for anyone who wishes to join the PTA to continue their fabulous work. If you would like to join the PTA please contact Mr Marsh – either in person, by email, phone or Dojo. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the PTA for their ongoing hard work and support!