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School Newsletter Thursday 6th July 2023

The final newsletter of the year is here – where did this year go?!

School Logo



As mentioned in a previous newsletter, we have given all children the chance to vote on whether to go for a new logo or stick with the existing one. The vote was fairly close, but the new logo won with 50 votes to 34. We are going to

phase the new logo in over a period of time and new uniform orders will be branded with it. There is no need to replace anything that has the old one. The new school logo features our bell tower and is shown above.

Healthy Bodies, Healthy Minds

The school year has ended with a bang having had a range of sporting events and activities for the children to take part in. These have included mini golf, frisbee golf, dodgeball tournaments, the tough runner and archery – to name a few. We still have wheelchair skills and a dance workshop to come too!

I am also pleased to let you know that next year we will be working with an additional sports club provider (Qualitas) to offer a range of new after school clubs on Thursday nights – these will change over the year but will include dance, gymnastics and cricket clubs! More info to follow next term!

Transition Day

Just a reminder that our transition day will take place on Wednesday next week. On the day, children should arrive at school at the normal time and will need to be collected at their usual time too. Children should also come in to school through their normal doors.

I will send a Dojo post out soon to confirm drop off and pick up times for each class next year.

PTA and Fundraising

Mrs Ward has been crunching the numbers and informs me that the total raised this year through

fundraising is £3214.26. This is a staggering amount by any standard, but to have done this in such a small school is remarkable! The total includes the money raised from the recent bag sale (£190) as well as the funds gathered by our amazing children in their plant and craft sales (£167). Thank you to the amazing PTA for their support and hard work and to everyone who continues to be so generous so we can offer our pupils so many wonderful experiences and extras.

Uniform and PE Kits

As is usually the case, there has been a slight decline in the standard of school uniform as we creep towards the end of term. This is understandable when parents and carers don't want to buy



new school shoes (for example) for the last two weeks of term. That said, we want to get back to our usual high standards at the start of next year. We will be sending a reminder out soon about our expectations around uniform.

Teachers have also raised the fact that PE kits are becoming increasingly varied – again a reminder will be sent regarding PE kits which should consist of plain shorts and t-shirts.

School Council Members



As you know, Madison and Kai will be our president and vice president of the school council next year. This week they have carried out interviews and have appointed new people to

their roles. In their final task, the current school council will meet with their new counterparts to pass on some of their wisdom and advice. I want to thank the school council for their work this year and wish the new school council success. I will be sharing the details of who got which role when they are finalised later this term.

Goodbye and good luck!

Finally, it is almost that time of year again when we have to say goodbye to some of our amazing pupils and their wonderful families. Our Year 6 children have been a joy to have in school over the last 7 years and we wish them every bit of success for their bright futures. On behalf of all staff, I would like to offer our sincere thanks to the outgoing cohort of parents for their support throughout their time at Scarcliffe!

Key Dates 2023-24

Below is a list of key dates for the next academic year. These can also be found on the homepage of our school website.

4th September - Start of Term 1

- 4th September INSET training School Closed
- 5th September INSET training School Closed
- 6th September Children's First Day Back

11th September – Class 1 Parent/Carer Meeting – Key Messages (3:30 – 4:15pm)

12th September – Class 3 Parent/Carer Meeting – Key Messages (3:30 – 4:15pm)

 14^{th} September – Class 2 Parent/Carer Meeting – Key Messages (3:30 – 4:15pm)

15th September – Class 4 Parent/Carer Meeting – Key Messages (3:45 – 4:30pm)

3rd October - Individual and family photos taken

13th October - Deadline to order Cauliflower Christmas Cards

26th October - Children's last day of the term

27th October - INSET Training - School Closed

27th October - End of Term 1

6th November - Start of Term 2

10th November – PTA – Spooky Disco (Lower School – 3:30 – 5:00pm, Upper School – 5:00 – 6:30pm)

14th November – Progress Review Evening (3:45 – 6:30pm)

16th November – Progress Review Evening (3:45 – 5:30pm)

17th November - Children in Need Day

2nd December – Bolsover Lantern Parade

4th December – Pantomime in School (Sleeping Beauty)

12th December – KS2 Christmas Play (6:00pm – 7:30pm) – The Bolsover School (TBC)

14th December - Class 1 and 2 Nativity (9:30am and 2:00pm) - Performance 1 and 2

15th December – Class 1 and 2 Nativity (9:30am) - Performance 3.

20th December - Christmas Dinner Day

22nd December - Christmas Party Food Dinner

22nd December – Christmas Parties

22nd December - End of Term 2

8th January - Start of Term 3

8th January – INSET Training – School Closed

16th February - End of Term 3

26th February - Start of Term 4

w/b 26th Feb – Order Leaver's Hoodies

7th March - World Book Day

5th March – Progress Review Evening (3:45 – 6:30pm)

7th March – Progress Review Evening (3:45 – 5:30pm)

28th March - PTA - Bingo Night (6:00 - 7:30pm)

28th March - End of Term 4

29th March – Bank Holiday (Good Friday)

15th April - Start of Term 5

25th April - Year 5 at Pleasley Vale - Session 1

1st May – Class Photos

2nd May - Year 5 at Pleasley Vale - Session 2

6th May - Bank Holiday Monday

9th May – Year 5 at Pleasley Vale – Session 3

w/b 13th May - Year 6 SATs Week

20th - 22nd May - Class 3 & 4 residential visit to Whitehall

24th May - End of Term 5

3rd June - Start of Term 6

 5^{th} June – Y6 Celebration Event with Sports Partnership – English Institute of Sport

11th June – Sports Day – FIRST CHOICE (1:30pm – 3:00pm)

w/b 17th June - Junior Gym in all week

18th June – Sports Day – BACK-UP Date (As above)

20th June - Sponsored Mini Marathon

26th June – New to FS2 parent meeting (5:30 – 6:30pm)

1st July – INSET Training – School Closed

3rd July – Stay and Play for New FS2 children (1:30 – 2:30pm)

8th July - End of Year reports sent home

10th July - Transition Day - All year groups move up

 10^{th} July – Stay and Play 2 for new FS2 children (9:30 – 11:30am)

12th July – Y6 Treat Day

 16^{th} July – Open evening to discuss reports and see books (6:00 – 7:30pm)

18th July – Class Dojo Treat Afternoon (Non-uniform day)

22nd July - Y6 Leavers Assembly (6:00pm)

23rd July - End of Term 6

INSET DAYS FOR 2023-24

Monday 4th September 2023 Tuesday 5th September 2023 Friday 27th October 2023 Monday 8th January 2024 Monday 1st July 2024