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## Weekly Newsletter: wb 13<sup>th</sup> September

### Applying for September 2022 school places

Although we have only just started this school year, it is important to be aware of the deadlines for September 2022 applications. If your child is due to start secondary school (Y7) in September 2022, you must apply by **31<sup>st</sup> October 2021**. You should be sent details of how to do this or you can look at <https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/schools-childcare/apply-school-place> for more information. If you are unsure, it is always worth visiting the schools on their open days (Stocksbridge High's is on 27<sup>th</sup> September and Bradfield's is on the 28<sup>th</sup> September).

**FAO Nursery parents:** If your child is due to start Reception in September 2022, applications can be submitted as soon as you are ready (the deadline is **15<sup>th</sup> January**). If you would like to come and take a look around school, please drop me an email on [headteacher@wharnciffeside.sheffield.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@wharnciffeside.sheffield.sch.uk) – and feel free to tell your friends who are not at our Nursery!

### Delivery problems affecting lunches

You may have read in the national news about the shortage of delivery drivers. Unfortunately, this has now started to impact schools. Food deliveries have been inconsistent and stocks are running low (we were forced to change the lunch menu at the last minute on Friday). I hope that this will be sorted in the near future but it may be necessary to again change menus at short notice. If possible, we will try to give you advance notice of this – but we will always make sure the children are fed!

### Mr McHugh

We are saddened to inform you that our Buildings Officer, Mr McHugh, is retiring and will be leaving us at the end of this week. We would like to thank Mr McHugh for his years of service and wish him all the best in his retirement. Mr Sampson (the Buildings Officer at Oughtibridge) will be helping us out in the short-term until a successor is found.

### Dr Bike

You should have received a letter about 'Dr Bike' visiting school next week (Reception – Y6). Children can ride to school and have their bike checked for free by Dr Bike (Amy from Modeshift STARS) who will ensure it is thoroughly checked and safe to ride. Spare permission slips for this can be collected from the office.

### Bags of Kindness

Reminder: we are still collecting for our 'Bags of Kindness' (the box is in reception). Thank you to everyone who has donated so far – it is much appreciated. If you would like to receive a bag, do not hesitate to get in touch.

### Local community events

- Brightholmlee Chapel and the WI are running a **Coffee Morning** for MacMillan Cancer Support on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> September (from 10am – 12pm). Please pop along if you can for cakes, bric a brac and craft stalls.
- From Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September, Wharnccliffe Side **Parent & Toddler Group** will take place at Brightholmlee Chapel. This will be every Tuesday from 9:15am – 11:15am (term time only).

*Mr Gaughan*

*Nurturing confidence, nurturing potential, nurturing success.*



## Celebrating Achievement



Well done to the following children:

- ★ **Bronze:** Willow, Holly, Peighton (Ash); Jaylee, Joely, Sienna BR, Leela (Willow); Lily, Jacob B, Tommy-Lee, Gretchen, Charlotte, Riley (Rowan); Junior, Harry, Rocco, Kjay (Sycamore); Bradley, Edward, Elodie, Thomas E, Thomas C (Oak)
- ★ There are no **Silver** or **Gold** winners yet - these are awarded for a child's second & third certificates of the year...
- ★ Special mention for Isaac in Rowan for showing a growth mindset towards his swimming and getting his first certificate (out of school).
- ★ Everyone in **Sycamore** class for being so sensible and giving a great impression of our school to visitors.
- ★ **Nursery Stars of the Week:** Molly and Maddie B
- ★ **Healthy Eating Champion:** Kwontay
- ★ **Attendance winners:** Ash (KS1) & Oak (KS2) - both achieved 99% last week. The average for the school was 96.9% - a very good start!



This week's birthdays: Layla H (4), Elodie (10), Lucas C (9) & Hugo (7)

This week's 'School Standard' is:  
Be safe

## What's Happening?

**Little Seedlings & Saplings** will be learning about emotions using the 'Colour Monster' story. **Ash** are exploring warm and cool colours in art. They have really enjoyed colour mixing!

KS1 children in **The Learning Zone** will be writing the story of the 3 Little Pigs. KS2 children will be visiting EIS as part of the 'Move More' inclusive sports event.

**Willow** will be writing sentences all about themselves.

**Rowan** will be learning how to say hello and tell people their names in French. They are also learning about the inter-related dimensions of music.

**Sycamore** have been writing 'diamante' poems in English; they will be producing their final versions next week.

**Oak** will be learning about the artist Paul Nash. Mr Hartley has set a challenge - try to find out 3 facts about him before next week's lesson!

**Meanwhile**, the Y4 - Y6 'Job Shop' is now up and running. Please read the adverts carefully and hand your completed application form to the relevant member of staff (don't forget your referees!).



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