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## Weekly Newsletter: 26<sup>th</sup> February 2024

### Parents' Evening/s & SEND Reviews

- Remember it is Parents' Evening on **Wednesday** (Tues / Thurs for Nursery). If you have already requested an appointment, you should have received a confirmation slip with your exact time. If not, there is still time to do so by clicking [here](#) (or [here](#) for Nursery). Please note: these links will be closed at 12pm on Monday; to book an appointment after that time, please speak to the office or Mr Gaughan on the yard.
- If your child is due an SEND review, you should have received an invite to this. If you are not sure of the date / time, please get in touch. Please return your 'parental advice slip' in advance of the meeting; regardless of whether you are able to attend.

### Y6 residential to Thornbridge

The Y6 residential trip to Thornbridge Outdoors is due to take place on **19<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> June**. If you couldn't make last week's information session, your pack will be sent home on Monday. The total cost of this trip is **£225** (payable via sQuid) and it can be paid in instalments. We appreciate this is expensive but it does include transport, accommodation, food and expert instruction from trained professionals. If you have any questions, please get in touch.

### Competition deadlines

- As advised in last week's assembly, the deadline for the Sheffield Young Artist competition has been extended until **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February**. Please bring any remaining entries to Mrs Coulson and she will enter them on your behalf.
- Meanwhile, the deadline for the Panini 'Design a Football' competition is **Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February**. Please bring entries to Mr Gaughan.

### Dr Bike & Learn to Ride

Our new Modeshift STARS engagement officer, Sally Haddon, will be running two bike-related events in the next couple of months... 'Dr Bike' will be taking place on **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March** and 'Learn to Ride' will happen on the 24<sup>th</sup> April. Separate letters have been sent out about both these events – please get in touch if you have any questions.

### Community meeting at Brightholmlee Methodist Chapel

The new Wharnccliffe Side Development Group have their next meeting on **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March** (10-11am) at Brightholmlee Methodist Chapel. Amongst other things, they will discuss the new community café, a proposed youth club and a 'community fridge'. Please come along if you are interested (or have any other ideas).

### Helpful Hints from the NHS

The NHS 0-19 Service have produced a new 'Helpful Hints' newsletter, featuring advice about a range of issues affecting children today. You can read it [here](#) (of particular importance this month is the section about measles).

### Stocksbridge Leisure Centre

Stocksbridge Leisure Centre are hosting their Easter Fayre on **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March**, between 11am and 4pm. There will be arts & crafts, games & activities, competitions, refreshments, a raffle and more. See attached poster for more information.

### 50 things to do before you're 5

50 things to do before you're 5 is a fantastic resource full of interesting things to do for children of all ages (not just those who are yet to reach their 5<sup>th</sup> birthday!). Many of the events / activities are local and you can find out more [here](#). Alternatively, download the mobile app and get started now!

*Mr Gaughan*

*Nurturing confidence, nurturing potential, nurturing success.*



## Celebrating Achievement



Well done to the following children:

- ★ **Bronze:** Henry J, Cameron (Ash); Abigail (Rowan); Orla (Sycamore); Ellessa (Oak)
- ★ **Silver:** Kaiden B, Cameron (Ash); Ben, Reuben, Freya (Oak)
- ★ **Gold:** Kyle (Ash); Molly, Oscar SF, Maddie B, Savannah (Willow); Lily K, D'Low (Rowan); Alyssa, William S (Sycamore)
- ★ **Nursery Stars of the Week:**
- ★ **Healthy Eating Champion:** Caleb H
- ★ **Attendance winners:** Attendance was 95.1% overall last week. The winning classes were Willow (KS1) with 95.5% and Oak (KS2) with 97.3%.
- ★ **House Point winners:** The honours were shared last week with both Asia & Oceania getting 189 house points!
- ★ Congratulations to Lukas K who narrowly beat Ben in our fencing championship - thank you to Mr Hartley for hosting this. Meanwhile, my chess competition is drawing to a close and the winner will be announced soon!
- ★ Rowan class were very well behaved during their recent trip to Cresswell Craggs. The facilitators said they wished every school was like ours!



This week's birthdays:  
 Ellie-Mai (9), Tommy-Lee (11), Ellessa (11)

This week's 'School Standard' is:  
 Keep Healthy

## What's Happening?

Little Seedlings & Saplings have a very exciting 'Beasties Animal Encounter' to look forward to on Friday.

Ash will this week be planting their own beans to try and grow a beanstalk just like Jack! Meanwhile, thank you to Mrs Riches for visiting Ash & Willow classes last week to talk about her role as a health visitor. The children asked some great questions and many would like to follow in her footsteps!

KS2 children in The Learning Zone are this week doing drama based on 'A Dinosaur Story'.

Rowan will be starting netball in their PE lessons.

Sycamore have been multiplying fractions and mixed numbers. Meanwhile, they had a visit from staff and pupils from Stocksbridge High School on Friday; doing some Maths and MFL!

In preparation for their SATs in May, Oak class have been trying to get PBs ('Personal Bests') on their most recent assessments. Remember to keep working through your revision books to ensure you're as prepared as possible! Meanwhile, they have a dodgeball tournament on Thursday after school at Stocksbridge High (the team has already been selected for this and letters have gone out.



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