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NEWSLETTER

Tuesday 15th June 2021



Dear Parents and Carers,

On the last day before half term in May, we held a non-uniform day. This to support Save the Children's work in India and gave a clear message that children can help other children and be global neighbours. With your generous donations we have been able to send £189.07. To support this charity. Thank you for your support.

Read Write Inc.

Read Write Inc (RWI) is now used throughout the whole of KS1 to teach English, specifically reading, phonics, spellings and writing. We hosted a zoom session to provide all KS1 parents a Q and A session with our RWI trainer Helen Holmes on Tuesday 8th June to hear her speak about the benefits of RWI for our infants. Thank you to those who were able to attend live, this is now recorded and is available for you to watch at your convenience by following the link.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0HxHK6vSo1E>

Dough Disco Day in EYFS

EYFS took part in International Dough Disco Day! They all had great fun. This was led by the inventor of Dough Disco herself, the international speaker and award-winning author, Shonette Bason-Wood. We were one of 466 schools taking part with 226,500 doing the wonderful dough disco.

Sports days 28th and 30th June

Due to COVID restrictions within schools, we are not allowed to invite our school community to this event, however we do not want the children to miss out. So, we will be holding two separate sports days, in order to maintain the bubbles. KS2 on Monday 28th July (the date has been changed from previously so that our Y6 children can visit new schools in preparation for their Y7 starts) and KS1 sports day will be on Wednesday 30th June. Your child will need to be in active uniform (yellow polo shirt with yellow sweatshirt and either black shorts or black joggers with trainers) on their sports day. Depending on the weather you may need to send sun hats and sun cream.

Tough runner activity day 1st July

On Thursday 1st July all classes will get a chance to take part in a tough runner obstacle course, this will include climbing walls, balance beams, cargo crawls and tunnels. This will all be run by the qualified



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teachers from Amber Valley School's Sport Partnership and will maintain all of our bubbles and safety measures that we have in place. There will be no cost for this event and it will be in place of the sponsored fun run which we have previously held. Children will need to wear their active uniforms, they will likely get quite warm, so the yellow PE polo shirts and black shorts would be recommended, along with sun cream.

Transition days

In order to help children prepare to move up to their new classes in September we are holding a series of transition events within school for them to meet their new teachers, TA's and see their new classrooms. These events will be on Tuesday 6th July, Thursday 8th July and Friday 9th July. These events aim to familiarise the children with staff, classrooms and also get an insight into the new curriculum and topic areas they will be learning about, as well as helping to tackle any worries and reduce anxiety. The children will have lots of opportunities to ask questions and talk about anything that might be worrying them. If there is anything that you are worried about please ask us and we will endeavour to do our best to support you.

COVID update

COVID restrictions have not changed in school despite changes to our Government's road map of easing restrictions, this means we are still asking you to stick to the staggered drop off and collection times, wear masks and keep children's belongings being sent into school to a minimum. Please pay particular attention to the drop off times as many children are coming to school and mixing with others. Thank you for your continued support with this, we will let you know if this guidance changes.

Foundation stage Governors

Would you be interested in being a Foundation Stage Governor on our school Local Governing Body? If you think this voluntary position is one that you could be interested in please see the flier accompanying this newsletter.

Dates for your Diary...

Monday 7th June – Friday 18th June assessment fortnight

Wednesday 9th June EYFS dough disco day, active uniform needed please.

Monday 28th June KS2 Sports Day.

Tuesday 29th June ST Ralph Sherwin Multi Academy Trust "Stronger Together" day. More details to follow

Wednesday 30th June KS1 Sports Day.

Thursday 1st July Tough Runner active Day.

Friday 2nd July Y5 class Mass with Father Michael

6th, 7th and 9th July Transition events for all classes in school



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Friday 9th July: End of Day Reports go out to parents via email.

12th July is the start of our STEM week

Wednesday 14th July: 3:30pm -5pm Reports Consultation Evening Appointments to be made should you wish to speak to your child's class teacher about something specific on the report.

Friday 16th July Y4 class Mass with Father Michael

Monday 19th July 6pm Y6 Leaver's Mass (more details to follow)

Wednesday 21st July: Break up for summer holiday.

Please see the next page for term dates for next academic year.

As always, many thanks for your continued support for our whole school community.

God bless,

Mrs Clemens,

Head Teacher.

Term Dates for 2021/2022

Advent Term 1	<u>Staff Return on</u> Thursday 2nd September for 2 INSET days <u>Pupils return on</u> Monday 6 th September – Friday 22 nd October
<i>Advent Half Term</i>	<i>Monday 25th October – Friday 29th October</i>
Advent Term 2	Monday 1 st November – Thursday 23 rd December
<i>Christmas Holidays</i>	<i>Friday 24th December – Friday 7th January 2021</i>
Lent Term 1	Monday 10 th January – Friday 18 th February
<i>Lent Half Term</i>	<i>Monday 21st February – Friday 25th February</i>
Lent Term 2	Monday 28 th February – Friday 8 th April
<i>Easter Holidays</i>	<i>Monday 11th April – Friday 22nd April</i>
Pentecost Term 1	Monday 25 th April – Friday 27 th May (Monday 2 nd May Closed – Bank holiday)
<i>Pentecost Half Term</i>	<i>Monday 30th May – Friday 3rd June</i>
Pentecost Term 2	Monday 6 th June – Friday 22 nd July
INSET DAYS so far...	Thursday 2 nd and Friday 3 rd September 2022 4 further INSET days to be confirmed ASAP Bank holidays falling in term time Monday 2 nd May 2022