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Weekly Newsletter: wb 13th May 2024

Y6 SATs

Reminder: Y6 children have their SATs this week. These are national examinations and children up and down the country will be doing them at the same time. Please ensure your child has a good night's rest and is on time in the morning (they can come into the class from 8:35am if they like to have a chat, settle their nerves and eat some toast!).

The schedule for the week ahead is:

Monday: English: Spelling, Punctuation & Grammar

Tuesday: Reading

Wednesday: Maths: Arithmetic & Reasoning Paper 1

Thursday: Maths: Reasoning Paper 2

The children have worked extremely hard in preparing for these tests and we're sure they'll do really well. We are extremely proud of them, regardless of the outcome though. As long as they try their best, that's all anyone can ask for. School (and life in general) is about so much more than just exam results... it is about what you are like as a person and how you treat others.

School food

- We are aware that many families like to order school meals in advance. With this in mind, please note there has been a **change to the advertised menu** for this Thursday: children can choose from breaded chicken (or a vegetarian slice) with chips and beans or sweetcorn; with chocolate and vanilla pinwheels for pudding. Jacket potato / sandwich options remain the same.
- On the subject of school meals, we have been informed by Sheffield City Council that there is likely to be another **price increase** from September. We don't know what the new price will be yet but we will let you know as soon as we can. All prices are negotiated between SCC and Taylor Shaw (the catering company) – school has no say in this.
- If you are worried about the above, it may be worth checking to see if you are entitled to income-based **Free School Meals**. You can find out more or apply [here](#). This is definitely worth looking into if your child is in Y2 as they will not qualify for universal free school meals once they are in the juniors.
- Sheffield City Council have once again confirmed that they will be providing **£15 food vouchers** for eligible children during the May half-term holiday. These should be with you from the beginning of next week (wb 20th May).

Things to do over half-term

I realise we still have 2 weeks left until half-term but the best activities often get booked up quickly. If you are stuck for ideas, take a look at the following (as ever, all links are shared in good faith and have nothing to do with school):

- The latest **Children's University Newsletter** can be found [here](#). It is a 31-page booklet featuring details about a range of exciting opportunities, such as theatre schools, imagination gaming, first-aid for children and much more.
- **Kids Love Yoga** are running a yoga camp during the half-term holiday. Find out more / book a place [here](#).
- **SUFC** are running a number of camps across the city for various age groups (the closest is probably at Wisewood). Find out more / book [here](#).
- **SWFC** are also running a camp at their new community facility on Claywheels Lane. Find out more / book [here](#).

Mr Gaughan

Nurturing confidence, nurturing potential, nurturing success.



Celebrating Achievement



Well done to the following children:

- ★ **Bronze:** Maisie, Cameron, Briar (Ash); Willow G, Oscar SF (Willow); Gretchen, Lily, Rory (Sycamore)
- ★ **Silver:** Koby (Ash); Erica, Holly (Willow); Brody, Poppy, Abigail (Rowan); Caiden J (Oak)
- ★ **Gold:** Leela (Rowan); Mickey, Ella, Austin, Evie, Rayhan (Oak)
- ★ **Nursery Stars of the Week:** Myla & Anastasiia
- ★ **Healthy Eating Champion:** Lukas K
- ★ **Attendance winners:** Last week's attendance was 94.3% overall. The winning classes were Willow (KS1) with 97.4% and Sycamore (KS2) with 93.8%.
- ★ **House Point winners:** It was another win for Africa last week.
- ★ Well done to all the children from Ash Class who sang at the Community Café last Wednesday. Their performance brought some smiles to the customers and it was much appreciated.
- ★ Rocco, Ben, Mickey, Tommy-Lee, Rayhan, Jonah, Austin and Reuben represented our school at a special football tournament on the pitch at Hillsborough last week. They showed fantastic team spirit and played really well, finishing 5th overall.
- ★ Meanwhile, the following Y1/2 children represented us at a cricket festival on Thursday: Skyla-Grey, Ruby, Jake, Darcy, Billy, Fearne, Astrid, Willow G, Caleb H, Tommy M, George and Cameron. Well done to all involved!



This week's birthdays: Alfie & Henry (5), Arnie-Grey (5), Lucy (5), Celeste (7)

This week's 'School Standard' is: Challenge stereotypes

What's Happening?

Little Seedlings & Saplings will be doing a scavenger hunt during their Forest Schools session.

Ash will be beginning to make their own sculptures in preparation for their trip to the Yorkshire Sculpture Park.

Willow are doing yoga in PE.

KS1 children in The Learning Zone will be making their own monkey biscuits!

Rowan have been learning about money in Maths.

Sycamore are producing product concept designs for wearable technology.

Oak are planning their own artistic compositions based on the works of Charlotte Mary Pack and Phoebe Cummings.



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