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Weekly Newsletter: wb 15th July 2024

After a very busy summer term, the last week is upon us. Remember: we break up on Friday 19th July (at the normal time) and the children return to school on Thursday 5th September. We hope you all have a wonderful summer! If you need us at all during the holidays, I can be contacted via email (headteacher@wharncliffeside.sheffield.sch.uk) but I can't promise to respond as quickly as I normally would!

Staffing changes

The new school year will see some staffing changes. Mrs Robinson will be leaving to have her baby; we wish her the very best of luck. Mrs Knight will therefore be returning to work in Nursery full-time. Meanwhile, Mrs Lemm will be retiring after working at Wharncliffe Side (on and off) for many years (don't worry; she'll still come to visit us!). To replace Mrs Lemm, we have appointed Mrs Berner - who will be working in Ash Class on Mondays. Welcome to the team Mrs Berner!

National Assessments

After we received our SATs results this week, we now have the results of all the statutory national assessments. 55% of the cohort got 'age-related expectations' in Reading & Writing; whilst 45% got there in Maths & SPaG. Meanwhile, 75% of our Reception children achieved GLD; 76% of our Y1s passed the Phonics Screening Test; our Y4s got an average score of 21.6 out of 25 on the Multiplication Tables Check. It is worth remembering that we have a lot of children with additional needs (many of whom cannot access the tests) so the overall results do not tell the full picture. Whether or not they met the expected standard, our children have made some excellent progress this year and we are very proud of them.

Kip McGrath Tutoring



We are not suggesting that anyone *needs* it, but some parents have asked us about private tutoring for their children. Kip McGrath Education Centre (based in Ecclesfield) offers English, Maths and Science tutoring during holidays and term-time. You can book a free assessment using the QR code (left); contact them by phone on (0114) 2570777 or email: sheffieldnorth@kipmcgrath.co.uk

FoWSS Family Picnic

Remember: the FoWSS Family Picnic is planned for Saturday the 7th of September. With loads of fun planned, it promises to be a great event. Tickets can be purchased from the school office this week or from the Community Centre during the holidays. Meanwhile, you can also get hold of them through their Facebook page or by email: friends@wharncliffeside.sheffield.sch.uk.

Things to do during the Summer

I had so many items for this section, I had to create an additional 'bonus' newsletter! Take a look to find out about Holiday Activities with Food, Children's University activities, Swimming, SWFC Camp, The Music Hub and more!

Mr Gaughan

Nurturing confidence, nurturing potential, nurturing success.



Celebrating Achievement



Well done to the following children:

- ★ Bronze: Jude, Lacey (Ash); Alyssa (Sycamore); Riley, Casey-Leigh (Oak)
- ★ Silver: George (Ash); Caleb F, Celeste, Maddie B (Willow); Ida (Rowan); Alyssa (Sycamore); Evie (Oak)
- ★ Gold: Briar (Ash); Fearne (Willow); Isla, Brody, Hope (Rowan); Lexi G, Freddie (Sycamore)
- House Point winners: Oceania won the house point trophy last week.
- Attendance winners: Last week's attendance was 94.4% overall. The winning classes were Willow (KS1) with 94.3% and Oak (KS2) with 97.4%. Meanwhile, well done to the 37 children who got 98%+ ALL YEAR*. Casey-Leigh, Freddie, Jacob S & Rory all got 100%!
- ★ Well done to the 8 children who received CU Awards in Friday's assembly!
- ★ CONGRATULATIONS to this year's trophy winners: Billy, Tommy-Lee, Briar, Aaron, Polina, Amelie, Lukas, Freddie, Freya, Casey-Leigh, Ross, Edie, Maddie P, Simon, Elliana, Jonah, Roscoe & George.
- ★ Well done to Darcy, Felicity, Charlotte, Alyssa, Iris, Holly and Ida for their performance in the Peak Edge Choir at BradFest on Saturday afternoon. They were brilliant!

*Yes, I know we have a week left! I hope I'm not tempting fate!

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



This week's birthdays: Cooper, Will HS, Theo R

Birthdays during the holiday: Sienna BR, Koby, William S, Astrid, Dakota, Oscar SF, Jake, Kaiden, Isaac C, Betsy, Darcy, Charlotte, Lunar, Caiden J

What's Happening?

Little Seedlings & Saplings held their graduation ceremony for parents on Friday.

Ash are having a seaside themed day on Thursday where they will make chips and have icecream!

Willow have been busy finishing their large-scale sculptures.

The Learning Zone have welcomed a new friend this week. Nayel will be joining us officially in September and we're sure he'll settle in really well.

Rowan are having one last push on their tables this week!

Sycamore had a visit from Stocksbridge High teachers on Tuesday to do some Science & PE. They also showed off their musical talents in a special violin assembly on Monday!

Oak have been programming Micro:Bits in their computing lessons (and preparing for their Leavers' Assembly on Friday!)











