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# NEWSLETTER



28/04/2023

Dear Families and Friends,

## Diary Dates

Please continue to check the diary dates section of our weekly newsletter as, occasionally, dates are subject to change. We will always try to inform you of these separately. In particular, there has been a change for the date of the Key Stage 2 performances. These will take place on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July (afternoon and evening performance), due to the availability of the village hall and so these do not fall close to the Year 6 Edinburgh visit. If your child is taking part in this performance, please ensure they are available for the evening of this date.

## Meal Choices

From the week commencing 8<sup>th</sup> May, our school kitchen will be provided an alternative option of jacket potato each day (with a choice of filling: cheese, beans or tuna). This will be served alongside any appropriate items from the main school meal option (e.g. vegetables). We hope that having an alternative option will allow children to have a choice on a day when there is a meal that is not preferred.

If children would like this choice, they will simply order on the morning during registration. The meal will be charged at the usual school meal price (£2.60) and will include the usual dessert option on that day.

## SATs Week – Free Breakfast Club

During SATs Week (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> May), we will be offering free breakfast club provision for all our Year 6s, so that they have the opportunity to get a healthy breakfast and a chance to discuss (and remain calm about) the upcoming day's assessment.

## Clubs

Please can you ensure that if your child is not attending a club that they have signed up for (either permanently or on one-off occasions) that you inform your child's teacher or the school office. For safeguarding reasons, we will always send children to the club they have signed up for unless we are informed otherwise. So, to avoid disruption to your own after school routine and plans, please do let us know in advance. Thank you for your understanding.

## Reading at Home

Please can we ask that you continue to encourage reading at home regularly and that reading records are complete to show when children have done this at home. Our children have made fantastic progress throughout the year and we want to ensure that this progress does not 'plateau' over the summer term.

## School Oaths – Parental Questionnaire

Thank you to those parents that have completed our current survey on our school oaths. There is one more week for those of you that have not had an opportunity to do this. [Click here to access](#)

## Coronation Celebrations

On Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May, the school will be celebrating the King's coronation by having a special 'street party' lunch outside. The school will provide lots of savoury snacks for this, however children may bring in sweet/puddings to share with other children on this day.

At 2.30pm, we are inviting parents to join us for scones, ice cream and time enjoying activities in our school gardens! If you would like to attend, please arrive at 2.30pm – we will have plenty for everyone.

### **Community Coronation Celebration**

On Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May at 9pm, Danby Beacon will be lit to mark the Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III. All families are welcome to gather together and to sing the national anthem.

### **Barclays Cup Final – Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May (3.45pm)**

Good luck to our footballers who will take part in the final of the Barclays Cup which they qualified for earlier in the year! The team will be playing at Whitby Town FC's stadium, joining up with Glaisdale and Lealholm!

### **Curriculum Overviews**

Sent alongside this newsletter, you will find the curriculum overviews for your child's class. We hope you find this informative and a way to understand (and talk about) your child's learning at home.

### **Upcoming Bank Holidays**

I am sure it has not escaped you that there will be two bank holidays coming up in consecutive weeks. School will be closed for these on: Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May and Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

### **Requests for Leave of Absence during term time**

Please can we remind parents/carers that school require 6 week's notice if you intend to take your child out of school during term time. Please ask of a Leave of Absence form at the school office.

Have a great weekend,  
**Mr Cooper**



### **Stars of the Week:**

Acorns: James – for excellent work decoding 'real' and 'alien' words in phonics sessions!

Oaks: Lilly – for being a good self-manager, being kind and supporting others.

Rosie – for working determinedly in all areas and being an excellent role model to younger pupils.

Headteacher: Martha – for showing creative thinking and great artwork in her environment poster!

**Attendance:** This week's attendance was **95.8%** which is above the national average!

Our attendance this year is: 94.4% (National average: 93.9%)

#### Headteacher timetable for upcoming week

Mon	Bank Holiday
Tues	Glaisdale all day
Weds	am – Castleton pm – Glaisdale
Thurs	Castleton all day
Fri	am – Glaisdale pm - Castleton

### *Next Week's Events*

**Monday**                      **Bank Holiday** School Closed

**Tuesday**                      **Music Lessons** with Alix Lillie. Please remember instruments  
**Signing Club**  
**Wellbeing Club**  
**PE for Acorns** Please arrive in PE kit  
**Barclays Cup Final** (after school)



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<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Outdoor Learning</b> (Acorns and Year 5 only) <b>Year 6 SATs Buster Club (8-9am)</b> <b>Y6 Cricket Festival</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Choir Club</b> <b>PE for Oaks</b> Please arrive in PE kit
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Art Club (Y2-6)</b> <b>Coronation Celebrations</b> Children may bring sweet/pudding to share. Parents invited to join from 2.30pm for scones/celebrations in the garden.

## Term Dates 2022/23

- ★ ~~Half Term – Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October~~
- ★ ~~Staff Training Day – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December~~
- ★ ~~Last day of Autumn Term – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December~~
- ★ ~~First Day of Spring Term – Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023~~
- ★ ~~Half Term – Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023~~
- ★ ~~Staff Training Day – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2023~~
- ★ ~~Last day of Spring Term – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023~~
- ★ ~~First day of Summer Term – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023~~
- ★ Bank Holiday - Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2023
- ★ Bank Holiday – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2023
- ★ Half Term - Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2023
- ★ Last day of Summer Term - Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2023

## Term Dates 2023/24

- ★ Staff Training Day – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2023
- ★ Staff Training Day – Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2023
- ★ First day of Autumn Term – Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2023
- ★ Half Term - Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2023
- ★ Staff Training Day - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2023
- ★ Last day of Autumn Term - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2023
- ★ First Day of Spring Term – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024
- ★ Half Term - Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2024
- ★ Staff Training Day - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2024
- ★ Last day of Spring Term - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024
- ★ First day of Summer Term - Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2024
- ★ Bank Holiday – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2024
- ★ Half Term - Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> 2024
- ★ Last day of Summer Term - Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024

### **Future Diary Dates**

Please note: some of these events may still need to be confirmed.

### **May**

**1<sup>st</sup>: Bank Holiday**  
**2<sup>nd</sup>: Straws Cup Final**  
**5<sup>th</sup>: Coronation Party**  
**8<sup>th</sup>: Bank Holiday**  
**10<sup>th</sup>: Acorns Visiting Saltburn**  
**9-12<sup>th</sup>: Year 6 SATs Week**  
**15<sup>th</sup> Year 2 SATs Week**  
**17<sup>th</sup>: Year 6 Scaling Dam Sailing Experience (TBC)**  
**19<sup>th</sup>: Acorns trip to Comondale**  
**25<sup>th</sup>: Key Stage 2 Trip to Newcastle (Angel of the North and Hindu Mandir)**  
**26<sup>th</sup>: End of half-term**

### **June**

**Year 4 times table check takes place this month**  
**5<sup>th</sup>: Children return to school**  
**12<sup>th</sup>: Phonics Screening Week (Year 1)**  
**14<sup>th</sup>: Oaks geography trip to the coast (TBC)**  
**14<sup>th</sup>: Stay and Play for new starters 2023**  
**21<sup>st</sup>: Whitby Come and Sing**  
**26<sup>th</sup>: Oaks rehearsal week for summer production**  
**30<sup>th</sup>: Oaks dress rehearsal**

### **July**

**3<sup>rd</sup>: Oaks afternoon and evening performance (1.30pm and 6pm start respectively)**  
**6/7<sup>th</sup>: Year 6 Trip to Edinburgh**  
**10-14<sup>th</sup>: Whitby secondary school transition week**  
**12<sup>th</sup>: Year 2 transition day into Oaks**  
**13<sup>th</sup>: Year 2 transition day into Oaks**  
**13<sup>th</sup>: New starters 2023 taster morning and lunch**  
**17<sup>th</sup>: Year 6 Crucial Crew Visit (pm)**  
**18<sup>th</sup>: Sports Day (pm)**  
**19<sup>th</sup>: Sports Day (reserve)**  
**20<sup>th</sup>: Leavers' Assembly (9.45am)**  
**20<sup>th</sup>: Summer Fair (2.30-5pm)**  
**24<sup>th</sup>: YEAT Sports Festival at Whitby Town FC**  
**24<sup>th</sup>: School finishes for summer holiday**