



Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022

### Newsletter 6 – June 2022



Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you all enjoyed the long Bank Holiday weekend. We very much enjoyed our Platinum Jubilee celebrations in school in the two days leading up to the half-term break. The children relished being off our usual timetable and participating in learning and themed activities in different classes. One child said “This is the best day ever!” It was difficult to choose the best photographs to share, but here are a few on my favourites.



### **Year 2 Statutory Assessment Tests**

Our Year 2 children have completed all of the Statutory Assessment Tests ( SATs). We were so proud of how hard they worked and the resilience they demonstrated when faced with some quite challenging tasks. It was also rather hard for our staff because they were unable to offer any help which of course is quite unnatural.

The teachers will now use the assessments and evidence collated over the year to award the children a standard. Our school has been selected by the Local Authority to receive a moderation visit so our teacher assessments can be quality assured against local and national judgements. We are fortunate that Miss Murphy is also a Local Authority moderator so we are confident that the visit will go well. You will receive your child's assessment levels in their annual school report.

### **Phonic Screening Check**

This week (w/c 6<sup>th</sup> June) our Year 1 children will take the Phonic Screening check.

### **Early School Closure**

Just a reminder that on **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June** we will be closing school at **2.30pm** so that staff can attend the funeral of our dear colleague Mrs Pink. There will be no after school clubs or Out of School Club provision on this day.

### **School Summer Fair**

- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June FOBHHS Non-Uniform Day (pyjamas can be worn), sweet donations for the Summer Fair.
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June FOBHHS Non-Uniform Day, toys and book donations for the Summer Fair. Cake donations can also be made on this day.
- Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June 1 – 3pm Summer Fair at the Junior School.

### **Sun Protection/Procedures**

#### **Uniform**

Children should wear school uniform at all times except when it is their PE day. For safety reasons children need to wear appropriate footwear to school. Crocs, flip-flops or strappy sandals are not permitted. Socks should also be worn.

#### **Sun Hats**

On sunny days all children are expected to wear a sun hat. If your child does not already have a sun hat in school please could a labelled hat be sent in, which can be left in school for the remainder of the Summer Term. If you wish to purchase a Black Horse Hill sun hat these are available to buy on ParentPay at a cost of £4.50.

#### **Sun Cream**

Parents are requested to apply appropriate sunscreen for their children. This should be applied before the children come to school in the morning. If you have any concerns about this please speak to your child's class teacher. We do encourage children to find a shady space on hot days and we do limit time outside if it is extremely hot.

#### **Water Bottles**

Children should always have a waterbottle in school. These can be refilled throughout the day from the water cooler outside my room. As we are a health-promoting school children should only have water in their bottles! We currently have a stock of Black Horse Hill water bottles in school which cost £1.50, please make payment on ParentPay.

### **Attendance**

A reminder that (school) holiday requests cannot be approved in term time. Holiday leave may be granted in exceptional circumstances. The principles for defining exceptional are: 'rare, significant, unavoidable and short', with 'unavoidable' meaning an event that could not reasonably be scheduled at another time and proof of these elements would need to be obtained. The circumstance of 'Covid' would not meet this criteria.

### **Parent/Governor Coffee Morning**

Thank you to the small number of parents/carers who attended our coffee morning. It was helpful to hear the ideas about what we are doing well and how we can further improve provision for our children. Please remember that as parents/carers you are welcome to share your views with us at anytime. If you wish to speak to a governor then contact Mrs Harris in the school office and she can put you in touch.

### **Healthy Body and Healthy Mind week**

During the week commencing 20<sup>th</sup> June our children will participate in a range of activities linked to keeping physically and mentally well. On Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> we will be having our annual Sports Day (weather permitting) and you will find below the times for your child's year group. Parents/carers are invited to attend to watch their child take part in a carousel of sports activities.

- 9am - 10am Yr2 parents
- 10am - 11am Yr1 parents
- 11am - 12noon F2 parents

All parents/carers are invited to watch the fun. Those of you who have attended before will know that sports activities are set out on the field for children to attempt. They are set out in a circular shape and the children move round the activities on a given signal. There will also be a competitive element to Sports Day with children competing for their colour team.

If the weather is bad, a decision on whether the event will run will be made at 8.15am on the morning of Sports Day. Parents/Carers will be informed if the event is cancelled via our text to parents system.

Mrs Honeybourne will be organising activities for F1 across the whole week so that children attending on different days will not miss out.

### **Class Assemblies**

Pleasingly our class assemblies will be able to go ahead this year. The dates and times are as follows. Assemblies will begin at 2.20 pm and parents/carers will be admitted from 2.10pm.

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July Mr Young's class

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July Mr Hamm's class

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July Miss Murphy's class

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July Mrs Astbury's class

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July Mrs Lucan's class

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July Mrs Bancroft's class.

### **Foundation 1 Places**

Do you have a child born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2019 ? We are currently taking applications for places in our Foundation 1 provision. Please contact the school office for an application form.

### **Family Toolbox**

Over the past few years, a number of agencies offering support to families in Wirral have been listening to parents/carers to understand the kinds of challenges they are facing. Lots of families have communicated that they are not able to find appropriate resources or support at the right time. Familytoolbox.co.uk is a free online hub that supports Wirral's parents/carers with managing family life. This site provides families with a wide range of services which they can access in one place. Resources and support are available for a range of concerns or worries such as challenging behaviour, sleep, ADHD and autism.

### **PE days for next half-term**

**Monday - Year 1 DH**

**Tuesday - Foundation 2**

**Thursday - Year 1 CY**

**Friday - Year 2 EA and TM**

### **June**

- Monday 6th June Staff Development Day
- Year 1 Phonic screening check
- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June FOBHHS Non-Uniform Day (pyjamas can be worn), sweet donations for the Summer Fair
- Monday 13th June Breakfast Judo club
- Tuesday 14th June Class Photographs
- Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June Early School Closure 2.30pm
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June FOBHHS Non-Uniform Day, toys and book donations for the Summer Fair. Cake donations can also be made on this day
- Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June School Summer Fair
- Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June Year 2 Transition Workshops
- Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June Sports Day  
9am - 10am Yr2 parents  
10am - 11am Yr1 parents  
11am - 12noon F2 parents
- Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June Anxiety Workshops for parents/carers
- Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June Multi Ethnic Advisory Service Islam workshops

### **July**

- Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July Annual reports to parents  
Governor walk around
- Monday 11th July Mr Young's class assembly

- Tuesday 12th July Mr Hamm's class assembly
- Thursday 14th July Miss Murphy's class assembly
- Friday 15th July Chinese Culture day led by Liverpool University
- Friday 15th July Mrs Astbury's class assembly
- Monday 18th July Mrs Lucan's class assembly
- Tuesday 19th July Mrs Bancroft's class assembly
- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July Rock Steady concert 2.30pm (invited guests only)
- Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July Finish for the school holidays

### **September**

- Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September Staff Development Day
- Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September Staff Development Day
- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September- Children return to school

Yours sincerely,

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