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Dear Parents and Carers

06/05/2022

ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

We have had a lovely, if not short week! We hope you all had a great Bank Holiday and the children enjoyed an extra day off yesterday. Early Years and Key Stage 1 took part in a wonderful Assembly this morning celebrating our amazing children and their success, thank you to all the parents that attended.

Year 6 SATS Week & Breakfast

Just to remind parents and carers that the SATs will begin next week, commencing **Monday 9th May until Thursday 12th May**. All children are strongly encouraged to come to school from **8.15am** each morning during SATs week for breakfast club. Each morning school will provide breakfast for the children and will ease any last minute nerves or worries for the children. We do ask that all children attend the breakfast club so we can start the week off as a team!

DSL – Safeguarding Meeting with Parents

The Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) Team would like to invite parents to a safeguarding meeting taking place in school on **Monday 6th June 2022 at 4:00pm**. The meeting will discuss all aspects and online safety for children and provide you with valuable information in this field to keep our children safe. Please could you confirm with the school office if you plan to attend.

Jubilee Day – Thursday 19th May 2022

As the Queen's very special Jubilee falls during our Spring Bank Holiday, we thought we would hold a Jubilee Day here in school on Thursday 19th May 2022. There will be a special menu available for lunch, details of which are to follow. We would like children to come into school on this day dressed in red, white and blue, face paints, royal accessories, anything goes! We are going to hold a Crown competition, we would like children to create and make a Crown at home to bring into school and wear in a parade during the school day with a chance to win a prize. We will be doing some baking in school prior to this day for the children to enjoy on Jubilee Day in their classes. The PTA are also arranging an event for after school for parents and children to join in the celebrations featuring a Corgi Hunt, lawn games and refreshments will be available.

Year 6 Bikeability

Year 6 are being given the exciting opportunity to take part in Bikeability starting on Monday 6th June to Friday 10th June, further details will be sent out next week for your information.





Break the rules day.

May 20th is break the rules day.
You are encouraged to break as many of these
rules for £1.
Uniform must be worn.

#1

Untuck
your
shirt.

#2

Wear
trainers
for the day.



#3

Colour your
hair.

#4

Wear
nail polish.



#5

Crazy hair.

Towngate Primary Academy PTA



Key Dates

Year 6 SATS Week	Monday 9 th May 2022
Early Years Book Share with Mrs Berry	Friday 13 th May 2022 @ 2.30pm
No Swimming for Year 6	Friday 20 th May 2022
PTA Event – Break the Rules Day	Friday 20 th May 2022
Year 6 Bikeability	Monday 6 th June – Friday 10 th June 2022
DSL – Online Safety Meeting with Parents	Monday 6 th June 2022 @ 4.00pm
Nursery F1 Trip to The Watering Hole	Tuesday 14 th June 2022
Reception F2 Trip to The Watering Hole	Wednesday 15 th June 2022
Year 5, 5/6 & 6 Trip to Magna	Thursday 23 rd June 2022
Year 1 Trip to The Watering Hole	Tuesday 28 th June 2022
Year 2 Trip to The Watering Hole	Wednesday 29 th June 2022
Year 3 Trip to Harlow Carr	Wednesday 29 th June 2022
Year 4A & 4B Trip The Jorvik Centre & Dig	Monday 4 th July 2022
Year 3 & 4 Road Safety Presentations – In School	Tuesday 12 th July 2022
Years 5 & 6 Road Safety Presentations – In School	Thursday 14 th July 2022
PTA Event – Summer Gala	Saturday 16 th July 2022
PTA Event – Year 6 Prom	Friday 22 nd July 2022
Year 6 Camping Experience	Monday 25 th – Tuesday 26 th July 2022

Attendance:

This week's whole school attendance is 94.68%. Our attendance target 97%,

Core Awards

In this week's Celebration Assembly, the following children were presented with our CORE Awards:

Class	Compassion	Ownership	Resilience	Excellence
Nursery F1	Rory B	Avah H	Emilie R	Ashlee R
Reception F2	Charlie W	Arlo B	Evie S	Isabelle G
Year 1	Esme C	Oliver H	Joshua R	Andrea Z
Year 2	Ruby J	Ava S	Lucas B	Lexie C

Well done to our CORE Award winners for super efforts in school this week.

Team Towngate



What's been going on in school this week?

Early Years – Foundation 1 (Nursery)

Thank you to all the parents who sent in baby photos this week, the children enjoyed talking about how they are now grown up and talked to their friends about the display. Some new visitors have arrived in nursery this week, we have some caterpillars to support our topic about growing. The children will observe the changes over the next few weeks, it is very exciting! Have a great weekend everyone!

Miss Haigh & Mrs Gordon

Early Years – Foundation 2 (Reception)

Even though this has been a short week, F2 have been very busy. We have been thinking about maps and routes this week and we have all enjoyed creating our own maps of our outdoor area. We have been exploring objects which are magnetic in our science work. We are also very excited because we have five very tiny caterpillars in our classroom, which are growing already! We have been thinking about number order in our maths work and we have been writing about our story Rosie's Walk. Well done everyone.

Mrs Kimbley & Mrs Middleton

Key Stage 1 – Year 1

This week we have enjoyed learning about where wildflowers grow, and we have looked to see if our bean seeds have sprouted. In maths we are working hard on our mental arithmetic skills switching from addition to subtraction by reading the symbol correctly. We are continuing to enjoy using our kindness jar or our 'on my mind' box to share how we are feeling. Well done Year 1.

Miss Lockett

Key Stage 1 – Year 2

In Year 2 this week, we have been learning about Life Cycles in Science. We compared the life cycle of a mammal to the life cycle of an amphibian and found they go through more changes in their cycle. We then visited the pond to see what animals we could find! We caught a newt, shrimp and many other creatures! In Computing, we have become photographers and captured different photos around school. In Music, we are learning a song about space and we are using different instruments alongside our singing.

Mrs Davies

Lower Key Stage 2 – Year 3

In Year 3 this week, we have had a short but lovely week. The class have worked very hard in English, where we have continued to explore The Iron Man poem. We started writing our own version of the poem and we will finish this next week! In maths, we have been learning about fractions - we can now find $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$ of amounts. In Science, the children have also been able to recognise and understand the different parts of a plant and we discussed the difference between our plant that has been given water for the past week, and our plant that hasn't been given water. We found that water certainly is important for a plant's growth! Well done for a great week Year 3.

Miss Wilson & Miss Javid

Lower Key Stage 2 – Year 4A

This week in Year 4a we have continued to work extremely hard on our decimals, dividing 1 and 2 digit numbers by 10 and 100. In English this week we have written our own acrostic poems based on our class text 'The Lost Words'. We have had lots of fun making characters for the Queen's jubilee in Art and we are very excited to turn these characters into an animation using Stop Motion in the next few weeks. Well done on another fantastic week Year 4a!

Miss Riley

Lower Key Stage 2 – Year 4B

Although it has been a short week this week, we have worked hard on our Kingfisher poems inspired by 'The Lost Words' our beautiful new poetry book. In Maths, we have been learning how to divide 2 digit numbers by 10 and 100 and today we enjoyed an outdoor maths lesson practising our times tables. In Science, we learned how animals adapt their characteristics to be able to survive in hot climates and in PE we practised our cricket skills as well as learning 50's dance moves. In Computing, we have been planning a class wiki page all about the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration. Well done 4b!

Mrs Schofield



Upper Key Stage 2 – Year 5

This week, in year 5, we have welcomed our new trainee teacher Mr Harvey. We have continued with our learning of decimals by looking at decimal sequences and have discussed how to find the next term in sequence. We have completed fluency questions to develop our confidence before looking at some reasoning and problem-solving activities. In English, we have written our own monologue from Bess' perspective and have self and peer assessed these. In geography, we have learned about how countries produce their electricity and whether they use mainly renewable or non-renewable sources of energy. We have completed a bar chart to compare energy production around the world. We celebrated VE day on Friday by watching footage from WW II and discussing what VE meant to the people of 1940's Britain. We completed a comprehension activity to consolidate our understanding of this historic day.

Mr Adlington

Upper Key Stage 2 – Year 5 /6

In year 5/6 this week the children have continued to work incredibly hard as part of an excellent team, Year 6 have focused on preparing for their SATS whilst Year 5 have been incredibly busy writing a monologue based on The Highway Man and have been calculating angles around a point. This week in science, we worked with Miss Wilson to experiment what happens when we mix different substances. This afternoon we have been visited by Mr Jones, a Music Teacher from Wakefield Cathedral who has taught us various singing techniques. We look forward to working with him for the rest of this term. Well done everyone we could not be prouder of any you.

Mrs Bateman

Upper Key Stage 2 – Year 6

In Year 6 this week we have been incredibly busy – despite it being a three-day week! This week we have been working on our efficiency in maths, accuracy in reading and our technique in grammar in readiness for next week's SATs. We are so proud of each and every one of our children who have shown unbelievable amounts of tenacity, resilience and motivation. We really couldn't be any prouder of you. Thank you to our Year 6 parents for showing understanding and support during this time. We can't wait to see you all next week ready to take on our challenge together!

Mrs Poole



TOWNGATE PRIMARY ACADEMY

SUMMER GALA

SATURDAY 16TH JULY

10 AM - 3 PM.



- Tombola
- Raffle
- Refreshments
- Bottle hoopla
- Krispy Kreme
- Penalty shoot out
- Hook a duck
- & many more.

Come and enjoy the fun
with family and friends.

