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Dear Parents and Carers

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ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

We have had a great week in school today. The children have done brilliantly to work so hard in this hot and sunny weather. We have been enjoying playing on the school field and we are looking forward to all our school trips next week, Class 1 and 2 are heading to The Watering Hole in Gawthorpe, Class 3 are going to Harlow Carr Gardens and Classes 5, 5/6 and 6 are going to Eden Camp!

Baby News!

We are delighted to announce to everyone that Mrs Davies is expecting her second child and Mrs Poole and Mrs Bateman are also expecting their first babies! We are delighted for them all and we are sure you will join us in congratulating them on their special news. Mrs Davies will be leaving at the end of this school year and Mrs Poole and Mrs Bateman will be with us into the Autumn term.

Transition News

Transition days will be held on Monday 11th July and Monday 18th July within school. The children will find out who their teachers will be for the next school year on Monday 11th July.

Sports Day

This year's Sports Day has been arranged for Wednesday 13th July, should the weather prove uncooperative, we will rearrange for the week after. The timings will be as follows:

Early Years (F1 Nursery & F2 Reception): 09:00 – 10:00

Key Stage 1 (Class 1 & Class 2): 10:15 – 11:30

Lower Key Stage 2 (Years 3 & 4): 12:30 – 13:30

Upper Key Stage 2 (Years 5 & 6): 13:30 – 15:00

Year 6 Camping Meeting

Please note that there will be a meeting for parents to attend on **Wednesday 29th June 2022 at 3.30pm** in the Class 6 Classroom to give details of the Camping Trip being held on 25th July.

Non-Uniform Day – Thursday 7th July 2022

There has been a change in dates for the non-uniform day in support of the Gala, it will now be held on Thursday 7th of July in support of the PTA Summer Gala on Saturday 16th July 2022. Please could Early Years (Nursery & Reception) and Key Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2) bring sweets and Key Stage 2 (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6) bring anything in plastic bottles.

Sponsored Pyjama Walk Friday 8th July 2022 – Wakefield Hospice

On Friday 8th July, our School Council is holding our very own sponsored Pyjama Walk in aid of Wakefield Hospice. We aim to leave school at around 3.40pm and walk around the local area in our pyjamas, hoping to be back at school for around 4.30pm. The children will be accompanied by school staff and we also welcome any parents/carers to join us on our walk. We have set up a Just Giving page for collection of sponsor money

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/towngatepyjamawalk22> or if you prefer, cash can be returned to school in a sealed envelope addressed to The School Council. **Please note: Nursery and F2 children will walk a shorter route during the school day.**



Children attending the walk are asked to wear their pyjamas for school on this day ready for our walk. If any children who cannot make the walk, would like to wear their pyjamas for school on this day, we ask for a small donation towards our fundraising for Wakefield Hospice.

Wakefield Hospice do not receive government funding and have suffered due to the pandemic so anything we can do to help, no matter how small would be amazing!

School Council

Yorkshire Day

Please could we ask you to send in the bottoms of 2 litre pop bottles as you did for Remembrance Day last year, these will be painted white to make a display in Ossett Town Centre for Yorkshire Day.

Before & After School Club

In After School Club this week, we have had fun playing with our new marble run, we've designed jewellery with beads and crystals and made magnets with polymer clay! Our baking activity was a chocolate orange cornflake slab. We have all enjoyed playing out in the sunshine! All enquiries regarding Before & After School Club to be directed to the School Office.

Key Dates

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 6 Camping Trip Meeting – 3.30pm	Wednesday 29 th June 2022
Years 5, 5/6 & 6 Trip to Eden Camp	Friday 1 st July 2022
Year 4A & 4B Trip to The Jorvik Centre & Dig	Monday 4 th July 2022
Non-Uniform Day in Support of the PTA Summer Gala	Thursday 7 th July 2022
Pyjama Walk After School – Wakefield Hospice	Friday 8 th July 2022
Transition Day – Within School	Monday 11 th July 2022
Sports Day – Whole School	Wednesday 13 th July 2022
Years 5 & 6 Road Safety Presentations – In School	Thursday 14 th July 2022
Year 3 & 4 Road Safety Presentations – In School	Friday 15 th July 2022
PTA Event – Summer Gala	Saturday 16 th July 2022
Transition Day – Within School	Monday 18 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

Core Awards

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

Class	Compassion	Ownership	Resilience	Excellence
Class 3	Seth B	Evan S	Amelia R	Ben ji C
Class 4A	Clay O'D	Billy K-B	Rowan L	Owen W
Class 4B	Jacob P	Mahmoud K	Darcey May C	Daniel H
Class 5	Leo P	Finley H	Rhys B	Nancy B
Class 5/6	George R-J	Isabelle W	Cameron B	Oktawian G
Class 6	James N	Mason A	Isaac H	Harris J

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

Attendance

This week's whole school attendance is 94.53%. Our attendance target 97%,

Team Towngate



What's been going on in school this week?

Early Years – Foundation 1 (Nursery)

This week we have enjoyed teaching the children how to play 'What time is it Mr Wolf' the children were amazing at counting their steps one at a time! We have continued to focus on recognising numerals and counting object to 10, some children were finding numbers in the environment. We have enjoyed focus stories, this week they are all related to mini- beasts, they particularly enjoyed 'The Crunching Munching Caterpillar'. Have a lovely week-end everyone!

Miss Haigh & Mrs Gordon

Early Years – Foundation 2 (Reception)

This week F2 have been reading the story, What the Ladybird Heard, by Julia Donaldson. We have enjoyed describing the characters and trying hard to develop our writing. We have also been practicing our doubling skills in our maths lesson. F2 enjoyed developing their team skills during our PE lesson and we have been thinking about how we can look after ourselves during our Wellbeing Wednesday discussions.

Mrs Kimbley & Mrs Middleton

Key Stage 1 – Year 1

This week we have enjoyed learning about a new artist in art called Andy Goldsworthy, a British artist who made Land Art using natural materials. We worked in groups to collect their own natural materials and made our own art. Check out TWITTER for the results. In computing we have been story tellers and worked in groups to make up and act out a story using voice choice and sound effects. In maths we have been sharing numbers into equal groups. We have enjoyed using our counters to do this. In English we have continued to read our story called The Seeds of Friendship. In the reading comprehension lesson, we answered questions like: Why does it say the children made a snow zoo? Who was in charge of the snow zoo? When Adam went to his new school who did he see? Why was Adam's favourite place a small, green garden? Well done Year 1. We are so proud of your reading and comprehension skills.

Miss Lockett

Key Stage 1 – Year 2

This week in Year 2, we have been learning to describe the movement and turns of objects. We've learnt the direction of clockwise and anti-clockwise! In Science, we have learnt about the importance of exercise. The children designed posters promoting their favourite type of exercise and the impact it has on both their body and mind. In PSHE, we have learnt about medicine safety and how these should be safely stored and not left lying around! We've been using our researching skills in RE to find out all about mosques. We can't wait for our school trip next week!

Mrs Davies

Lower Key Stage 2 – Year 3

We have all worked super hard this week in Year 3! In Maths we have been learning to tell the time to the nearest minute on an analogue clock. In English we have been planning a letter that we will write next week as the pirate in the golden mask. In RE we have been thinking about Easter and why it is celebrated by some people. In Science, we have produced our own scientific diagram of a plant and looked at the rules of drawing these. In computing we have planned our questions that we will ask next week on our google forms survey. Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Miss Wilson

Lower Key Stage 2 – Year 4A

This week in Class 4a we have enjoyed reading Chapter 2 of our core text, Viking Boy. We have also continued our work on money in Maths and are now moving on to look at time. In Science we have started looking at human anatomy and found this very interesting, especially learning how the organs in our body work. In French we worked on describing clothing items using colours. Well done on another fantastic week Class 4a, you are all shining stars!

Miss Riley



Lower Key Stage 2 – Year 4B

We've had a very warm week in Year 4b but that hasn't stopped us working hard. In English, we redrafted our character description of Bjorn the Brave and in Maths we have been calculating money using the four operations. In Science, we began our new topic 'Human Anatomy' and we found out about our major organs and why we need them. In French, we were learning how to describe clothing and in PSHE we continued our First Aid learning about how to carry out a primary survey. Well done Year 4b you have shown lots of resilience in this heat!

Mrs Schofield

Upper Key Stage 2 – Year 5

This week, in year 5, we have continued our learning on angles by learning how to calculate missing angles on straight line and around a point. We used our knowledge of angles in a straight line adding up to 180 degrees to support our calculations. In English, we have continued to read our new class book 'Stitched Up' and have analysed a newspaper report to identify the key features required in our writing. In DT, we have sketched our initial ideas for our make-do-and-mend WWI textiles project in which we are designing, making and evaluating a textile bag that could be used to hold important items. We have looked at why designers create initial idea sketches and how they can develop and communicate their ideas to settle on a final design. In history, we have discussed whether the Treaty of Versailles was fair and how this might have contributed to the commencement of WWII.

Mr Adlington

Upper Key Stage 2 – Year 5/6

This week in Year 5/6, in science we have begun to learn about physical and chemical changes, exploring what happens to particles as they change state between solids, liquids and gasses – the children's knowledge was amazing! In athletics, we enjoyed learning how to throw the discus and got quite competitive (especially Mrs Johnson). In maths, we have been consolidating our learning time: reading and interpreting time tables and solving problems. Well done for another fantastic week everyone!

Mrs Bateman

Upper Key Stage 2 – Year 6

In Year 6 this week we have been enjoying our DT unit where we are exploring the evolution of fashion; we have been using our sketch books to capture various designs and ideas, linking our ideas closely with our class novel 'Stitched Up'. This week, we have been looking at newspaper reports, with a view that we will be writing our own double-page spread newspapers next week to share the perils involved in fast fashion! In Maths, we have been consolidating our understanding of reading and interpreting pie charts, ready to work on projects and contextual maths next week. Well done guys – you've been a credit to our class again this week!

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.

