

Weetwood School News

Dear Parent/Carers,

This term is flying by, I can't believe we only have one more week of this half term left. Mrs McLane and I have been looking at maths in school this week as part of one of our school improvement targets. It has been lovely to see how settled the classes are and how hard they are working to progress. Also, this week, we had a visit from the Leeds Rhino's education team who came to deliver an assembly to the children. Ian Wilson from the School's Engagement Team and James Bentley, a Leeds Rhino's player, talked to the children about healthy lifestyles, balanced diets and the importance of staying hydrated. They then got the children up and active in the assembly, encouraging them to jog on the spot through the Leeds marathon. Ian and James then went on to deliver a rugby session to Year 3.

EXCITING NEWS!

I am very excited to share with you some exciting news... we are getting a school minibus! We have had an anonymous donation to pay for a minibus to widen access to sport and extra-curricular activities including trips. Our school budget remains tight going in to the next financial year therefore we feel incredibly lucky to



receive this gift to support the children at Weetwood. The minibus has been ordered and should arrive in the near future with the school logo and name on it. The long-term plan is to collaborate with a local school so we can work together to transport full classes to activities and events. In the meantime, we will focus on training the staff to ensure they have sufficient training to drive the bus safely.

FOOTBALL

Last week, the Year 5&6 team played a very muddy football match against Holy Name! The team won by a whopping 6-1! Everyone played incredibly well with no substitutes due to all the illnesses making their way around school. George, Jacob R and Sam scored the winning goals but all the team contributed to the victory!

MATHS

Last week, Year 6 had a visitor from Lawnswood. Mr Smith came and delivered a maths session to the children. The purpose of the visit was to continue to develop the children's maths as well as build relationships with local secondary schools. Year 6 had a great time, they got involved in the puzzles and problems and were excellent ambassadors for the school. Well done Year 6.

MUSIC LESSONS

The following music lessons are now available to book via Arbor:

Keyboard lessons in pairs for 30 minutes – per lesson £11.00 (Year 2-6)

Recorder lessons in groups of up to 6 for 30 minutes - per lesson £4.00 (Year 1-6)

Flute lessons 1-1 for 20 minutes - per lesson £15.00 (Year 3-6)

Clarinet lessons 1-1 for 20 minutes - per lesson £15.00 (Year 3-6)



Please note the changes in price and time for the clarinet and flute lessons from the previous letter this week.

These lessons are now live on Arbor to book into.

The deadline to book in is next Tuesday the 6th of February at 3:30pm. Apologies for the short turn around however this is to ensure Roundhay Music are able to provide the music teachers for the sessions Weetwood requires.

We have had fun breaking the rules in school today raising money for Lineham Farm and many children are looking forward to the disco tonight.

I hope you have a great weekend,

Kind Regards, Mrs Ellison

Dates for the diary – New dates in red

| January | February | March |
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| Monday 8th January All pupils return to school: | Thursday 1st February: Pre-School & Reception Stay and Play (2pm) | Monday 4th March: Year 6 Trip to Magna |
| Tuesday 23rd January Year 4 Lineham Farm parents meeting 5pm | Friday 2nd February: | Wednesday 6th March: West Yorkshire Cross Country Finals (TBC) |

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| <p>Tuesday 30th January: Dental Survey on 5 year olds—more information to follow</p> <p>Wednesday 31st January School nurses—Year 6 and Reception height and weight check.</p> | <p>Break the Rules Day – please see above information</p> <p>Friday 2nd February: PTA Disco</p> <p>Monday 5th-Wednesday 7th February: Lineham Farm (Y4)</p> <p>Change of Date - Thursday 8th February: Second Round of Cross Country at Temple Newsam (Time TBC)</p> <p>Friday 9th February: Dress to Express Yourself School Closes for half term.</p> <p>Monday 19th February: Teacher training Day.</p> <p>Tuesday 20th February: All pupils return to school Progress reports to parents.</p> <p>Wednesday 21st and Thursday 22nd: Parents evening.</p> <p>Thursday 29th February: Year 3/4 Football at Bodington Football Hub – more details to follow Year 2 Trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park</p> | <p>Thursday 7th March: World Book Day</p> <p>Monday 18th March: Year 5 Trip to Veolia Waste</p> <p>Wednesday 20th March: Share our Learning.</p> <p>Thursday 28th March: School closes for all pupils.</p> | |
| April | May | June | July |
| <p>Monday 15th April: All pupils return to school.</p> <p>Thursday 18th April: Year 4 Viking Workshop</p> | <p>Monday 6st May: May Day Bank Holiday.</p> <p>W/C Monday 13th- Year 6 SATs Week</p> <p>Wednesday 22nd May: Class Photographs</p> <p>Thursday 23rd May: School closes to all pupils.</p> <p>Friday 24th May: Teacher training day.</p> | <p>Monday 3rd June: All pupils return to school</p> <p>W.C. Monday 3rd June: Multiplication Check Year 4</p> <p>W.C. Monday 10^h June: Phonics screening Year 1</p> <p>Monday 10th- Wednesday 12th: Yr. 6 trip to Edale</p> <p>Wednesday 19th June:</p> | <p>Wednesday 10th July: Year 5 Trip to Harewood House</p> <p>Thursday 11th July: Music Show</p> <p>Friday 12th July: Reports for all pupils to go home</p> <p>Sunday 14th July: Summer Fair</p> <p>Tuesday 16th July:</p> |

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| | | <p>Share Our Learning</p> <p>Friday 21st June: Poetry Slam Assembly (2pm)</p> <p>Friday 28th June: Sports Day PTA Picnic</p> | <p>Year 6 show</p> <p>Wednesday 17th July: Open evening for all parents</p> <p>Friday 19th July: Y6 Leavers Assembly</p> <p>Friday 19th July: School closes to all pupils</p> |
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