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# NEWSLETTER 16 2018-2019

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School's  
 Attendance  
 Target: 96%  
 Actual: 95.7%

Hello everyone. I hope by now that you have seen our new notice board. This has been purchased to improve communications with parents along with the use of text messaging and emails. Hopefully you will not miss any importance dates or events. If any letters have reply slips which you are unable to print off at home, please visit the office who can provide you with a paper copy so that you can complete it.

May I also take this opportunity to wish all of Year 6 and Year 2 children the best of luck either next week or over the month of May with their SATs. All we ask is that they try their best!

Mr Isaacs

Here are the results from question 21 from the pupils' survey.

21. What do you think about how you behave in school?

I always behave well in school	I behave well most of the time	I behave badly most of the time	I always behave badly
56%	42%	2%	0%

This is overwhelmingly positive and shows that the children believe they behave well. This is very true and whenever we go on visits, we often receive praise from members of the public. This is also true of behaviour in class towards their learning and general behaviour around the school. Using the behaviour system and the Code of Conduct, children are engaged in their learning and are respectful to one another. There are occasions when children do make poor behaviour choices, but we are after all talking about children. Part of growing up is making mistakes but the important part is the learning from it. Like I said in my previous newsletter, education is more powerful than sanctions alone. I find that talking about a child's behaviour and what they did and how it affected others goes a long way in supporting the child to make a better choice next time.

## Relationship and Sex Education Consultation Evening for Parents



Last week was our annual meeting for parents to come into school to view the materials and resources about the school's approach to Relationships and Sex Education (RSE). Unfortunately, only 6 parents turned up despite it being advertised on the three previous newsletters.

Although this number was disappointing, I would like to thank the parents who turned up and they were all in favour of the materials they looked at. RSE will be taught in term 6. Prior to starting the RSE teaching, we will send out letters to parents explaining the content and the dates we intend to deliver it. Therefore, if you wish to discuss it with the children at home, you can do. The RSE curriculum is designed for straight year groups. As a result, we will separate the year groups for this teaching so Mr Bell will deliver the content to the Year 4s, Mrs Scott or Mrs Flynn will deliver the content to all the Year 5s and Miss Triggs will deliver the content to the Year 6s.

### Sports Day

With Sports Day just around the corner, I thought it would be beneficial to clarify the school's expectation about photo and video consent.

In September, we request all parents give or do not give permission for photographs of their child to be used online. Some parents choose not to give permission, sometimes this is because their child needs protection for legal reasons. We have a duty to protect these children so:

- Photos and videos may be taken at Sports Day of **your child**.
- Videos and photos are for **personal use only**
- If you use social media, please only upload images of your own child. Please do not use images of any other children

We appreciate your support in this matter and look forward to seeing you there.



### Walk to School



A huge congratulations to those who turned up at the Huntsman pub along Westerleigh Road for the launch of our Walk and Stride challenge. With over 100 people turning up, it was a huge success. Once the children returned to school, Mrs McCoy explained how the Walk and Stride works and showed them a map with the distance children are required to walk in order for them to qualify for the Walk and Stride option. This map has now been added to our website if you wish to have a look.

### Dinner Money Debts

Many thanks to all the parents who have cleared their debts and the other parents who have made contributions to theirs.



### Volunteers needed

If you are DBS cleared and would like to help laminate some resources for children, please contact the school office for further information.

## Dates for your diary

Monday	3rd	June	INSET Day 5 – School Closed
Tuesday	21 <sup>st</sup>	May	Sports day
Thursday	23 <sup>rd</sup>	May	Sports day reserve
Monday	22nd	July	Leavers' Mass (9:30am)
Monday	13th	May	Year 6 SATs week Year 6 Breakfast Club available (Year 6 pupils only)
Friday	17th	May	PTFA Film Club – letter to follow soon
Monday	20th	May	Sports Week
Tuesday	21st	May	Sports Day
Thursday	23rd	May	Sports Day reserve (in case of poor weather on Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May)
Friday	24 <sup>th</sup>	May	Wear Green Day – Charity event for St Brigid
Friday	24th	May	Class 5/6 Cake Sale (3:30pm)
Monday	27th	May	Half Term
Monday	3rd	June	INSET Day 5 – School Closed
Wednesday	5th	June	Induction Evening for new Reception Parents (starting September 2019)
Friday	14th	June	PTFA Father's Day gift sale – letter to follow soon
Friday	14 <sup>th</sup>	June	Reception Class Assembly
Monday	17th	June	Optional SATS week for Years 1, 3, 4 and 5
Friday	21st	June	PTFA Mufti Day – Tombola Donations for Summer Event
Wednesday	26th	June	Year 6 Life skills visit
Saturday	29th	June	PTFA and Community Summer Event (12:00 – 4:00pm)
Thursday	4th	July	Year 3 Class Mass (9:30am)
Friday	5th	July	School Reports out to parents
Monday	8th	July	Informal Parents' Evening following school reports (3:30pm) Year 6 leave for Longtown residential
Friday	12th	July	Year 6 return from Longtown residential
Tuesday	16th	July	PTFA Summer Disco
Thursday	18th	July	Year 6 Leavers' Party (organised by Year 6 Leavers' Committee)
Monday	22nd	July	Leavers' Mass (9:30am)
Tuesday	23rd	July	End of term (last day of school)
Monday	2nd	September	INSET 1

I have also enclosed a parent questionnaire for you to complete and return. The deadline for completion is Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May a paper copy will also be sent home today.

It is important we get as many replies as possible so that we can get an accurate picture of what the parent community thinks about the school - what are our strengths and areas for further development.

We can then celebrate any achievements and try to address any concerns you may have.

## Parent Questionnaire 2018-2019



It is always important that we take the views of parents about how they view the school. Please complete this short questionnaire using questions from Ofsted's Parent view (please return by Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May).

	<b>Strongly agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly disagree</b>
1. My child is happy at this school				
2. My child feels safe at this school				
3. My child makes good progress at this school				
4. My child is well looked after at this school				
5. My child is taught well at this school				
6. My child receives appropriate homework for their age				
7. This school makes sure its pupils are well behaved				
8. This school deals effectively with bullying				
9. This school is well led and managed				
10. This school responds well to any concerns I raise				
11. I receive valuable information from the school about my child's progress				
12. Would you recommend this school to another parent?				
13. Any other comments you wish to add				