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## May Newsletter 2022

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What a busy half term this has been so far! It has been great to see parents coming into school for parent sessions and open evenings, children attending our after-school clubs, and children going out of school on school visits and sporting events. This is in addition to the exciting learning taking place in classrooms and our Year 6 children taking their end of Key Stage Two tests. We are all really looking forward to our Sports Days and our celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee next week too.

Almost all of our 60 Year 6 children attended SATs breakfast club last week devouring 26 loaves of bread, 12 giant boxes of cereal and 48 litres of milk, in addition to large amounts of butter, jam and chocolate spread!

We are so proud of the effort our Year 6 children put in not just last week, but the whole year - as we are all aware, their recent years in Key Stage Two haven't been the smoothest, yet they have all tried their very best and came to school, and left school, each day with a smile!

Our Year 2 children are currently taking their end of Key Stage One tests and are showing the same effort and perseverance - keep it up everyone, we are very proud of you all!

## Open Evenings

Thank you to everyone who has attended parent's evening at the end of April to talk about your child with their teacher. We hope you all found this very useful, and should you require any more information or further updates, please ask to speak with your child's teacher at any time in the year - they will always find a mutually convenient time to talk to you about your child. It was lovely to see so many parents attending in person once again, but several parents took the option of a telephone call and this is something we will continue to offer to support parents and ensure parent's evening is accessible to all. We always aim for 100% contact as the communication

between home and school and achieved 97% attendance - if you would still like an appointment and haven't yet spoken to your child's class teacher, please contact us.

#### Parent Questionnaire

Thank you to all of you who have completed a parent questionnaire over the last few weeks. I have attached the results to this newsletter. As always, we always reflect on any comments we receive to try and improve our offer to our children and parents. I have recorded any concerns that were raised on more than one questionnaire and have added a response too - we hope you find this useful.

## School Spider App

Hopefully you are all now receiving school messages and notifications through our School Spider App. Staff are regularly updating the app with updates about class learning and school events. Currently, you need to search for this information on the 'Latest Information' section or under 'Classes'. We are trying to work with the App designers to see if they could develop an 'opt-in' section for notifications to alert you when a new item is added in your chosen areas of the app.



Our website can still be found at the same web address too:

https://www.warmsworth.doncaster.sch.uk/

## Launch of our new Facebook page

We are pleased to announce that we are now ready to fully launch our 'Warmsworth Primary School' Facebook page. We have been posting a few news items over the last few months as a trial and already have 70 followers. We will mainly be using this page for posts celebrating events that are happening in school and for news items that may be of interest to the whole school and the wider community, but please use the app for more class and school specific information. We hope you will follow us and enjoy celebrating whole school events with us.

## Eco Councillor News

Our Eco Councillors are delighted to be Warmsworth Primary School's Young Tree Champions and were raring to start planting the new fruit trees for our Orchard on behalf of The Tree Council. This adds to our growing orchard that the children look after. Thank you Mr Wilson for all your help and support in teaching our children about horticulture and the environment.

#### Sports Councillor News

Over the past week, you may have seen some development taking place near our KS2 playground and school field. Earlier this year, the Sports Council played a key role in deciding which pieces of playground equipment were chosen to replace the previous trim trail which had to be removed due to the wood rotting and becoming unsafe. The new playground trim trail for our Key Stage Two children is now being installed. The children are very excited watching the development and

I know they will be very eager to try it out, when it is completed. Please be aware that this equipment has been purposefully selected and installed with a specific age of child in mind, and must not be used without the supervision of a member of staff, which is in line with our school risk assessments.

#### School Visits and Visitors

It has been wonderful to see so many children having wonderful experiences both in school and out of school. Our Year 5 children are making great progress in their swimming lessons, Year 6 learnt some important life skills thorough their Crucial Crew visit and the weather was very kind to our Year 1 children on their visit to the Yorkshire Wildlife Park; Year 1 have also got a new permanent visitor to their classrooms - a new school pet - a Giant Snail! Currently, our school pet is nameless and our Year 1 children are busy thinking of appropriate names to call it. We are also asking for suggestions on our Twitter page (@WarmsworthPrim1) and new Facebook page (search Warmsworth Primary School).

It has been great to be see parents involved in their children's learning through parent sessions this half term - it is lovely for the children and staff to be able to share your child's learning with you in the classroom setting, and for everyone to learn alongside each other. Thank you to all for your continued support.

Mr Wilson, our school gardening teaching assistant, has led several Family Learning sessions this half term which have all been very well attended and over-subscribed as usual. Unfortunately, Mr Wilson has made the decision to retire this year so we will shortly be advertising for someone to step into this role - if you know anyone who would suit this vacancy, please tell them to keep looking for the advert that will be published soon!

#### After-school clubs

This half-term's after school clubs have been well-attended and were full to capacity - Mr Halstead is running 5 clubs after school for pupils from Year 1 to Year 6, Miss Kennedy is running the school choir and Mrs McBride is running her writing club. Thank you to the staff for running these clubs and the children for their commitment - they have been wonderful!

#### GOLD School Games Mark

We have just been advised that we have been awarded the GOLD School Games Mark Award again for our school's commitment and engagement in the School Games for 2021/22. This is the  $4^{th}$  year our school has received this award and is a fantastic recognition of all the hard work put in by our children and staff, especially Mr Halstead and Miss Gibson, in leading and coordinating PE across school.

## Sporting Achievements

On the 25th March, our Year 4 football team took part in the Mini-Golden Boot tournament against schools in our Edlington/Warmsworth/Tickhill pyramid. The morning consisted of a boys and girls league to find an overall winner. All children showed excellent teamwork and determination throughout the morning. The girls finished second in their league and the boys finished first meaning we came out as champions of the competition. A huge well done to all children involved.

Our Year 4 success in football was followed on the 1<sup>st</sup> April when our Year 5/6 football team also won the Edlington/Warmsworth/Tickhill pyramid Golden Boot tournament. Our team were incredible throughout the entire morning, and showcased their determination to win. The whole team put on an outstanding performance! We would like to thank all parents for their continued support throughout the event.

Several of our Year 2 children enjoyed participating in the KS1 cricket festival with our pyramid of schools on the 21<sup>st</sup> April. This was a non-competitive event where they improved their skills with different coaches and had a great time learning about the game and skills needed.

Last week saw our Year 4 Cricket team winning the Doncaster Cricket Finals on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May! Mr Halstead and Miss Gibson took two teams of players and both teams played excellent cricket and showcased their teamwork skills. Warmsworth B have now progressed to represent Doncaster at the South Yorkshire Finals in June - more information to follow!

This week, all of our Year 2 children have taken part in the Year 2 Quad Kids Festival where they have taken part in several events at Doncaster Athletics Club including running, throwing and jumping. They all had an amazing time and all returned with smiles and eager to share their learning.

#### Sports Day

Next week we are hosting sports days for all year groups:

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 9.15am Foundation 1 am and F2MS

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 1.30pm Foundation 1 pm and F2LW

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May at 9.15am Years 1/2/3 Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May at 9.15am Years 4/5/6

Parents and carers are all invited to attend this event as spectators and to ensure all children are kept as safe as possible there will be a designated area with seating available - thank you for your continued to support.

We appreciate that many of you may wish to take photos of this memorable event. If you do wish to take photos/video of your child, please ensure that you only take a photograph/video of your child, without others in the background. Please be respectful of the wishes of some parents, who do not want their children to be photographed or videoed, for both their own personal reasons and the associated concerns about such images being shared. Whilst we understand you may wish to share any photograph of your own child with grandparents and other family members, please do not share any photographs or videos taken on school premises on any communication or social media platform, as once these are shared once, you are no longer in control of that image. We ask that you understand and support this request and show respect for the wishes of other parents.

#### The Queen's Diamond Jubilee Celebrations

On Friday 27th May, we are going to be celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee as a school. Year 5 are representing the school at a Doncaster event at the CAST and Doncaster Museum and Art Gallery and the rest of the school will be celebrating on the school site.

In school, children will be marking this day with special events both in their classrooms and outside in the school grounds to celebrate this event, and we would like everyone to come to school wearing the colours on our national flag, the Union Jack - red, white and blue (this could be anything ranging from a small accessory or head to toe in red, white and blue).

Children will be learning about the queen and her reign in the morning, and in the afternoon, we are planning a range of traditional games that they children can play together, including skipping, bean bag toss, etc.

We will be having a special whole school 'Warmsworth Primary Afternoon Tea' at lunchtime - hopefully on the school field (weather permitting - otherwise we will have to move inside!) Our school cook, Mrs Parr, would like to invite all children, including those children who have a packed lunch from home as well as those who have a school meal to join in her special 'Warmsworth Afternoon Tea' for this special event on Friday 27th May. The cost of the 'Warmsworth Primary Afternoon Tea' will be met by school to mark this special occasion.

## Staff Update

This half term we have said goodbye to Mrs Lister, our Assistant Headteacher and year 6 teacher. Mrs Lister started her teaching journey with us in 2009, and we are very sorry to say goodbye to her. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Lister for her commitment to Warmsworth Primary School over the last 12 years, and I am sure you would like to join me in wishing her all the very best for her future.

In my previous newsletter, we announced that one of our support members of staff, Mrs Simpson, was commencing her maternity leave. I am pleased to say that Mrs Simpson safely delivered a new baby girl on the  $1^{st}$  May 2022. I am sure you would all like to join me I sending her our best wishes from us all.

#### Contact Details

To support us in being able to contact you in an emergency and remain GDPR compliant, please inform the school office of any change in address and/or contact numbers asap.

We hope you all have a very enjoyable break with the children over the half term break.

Please remember that school closes at 3.30pm on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May
and re-opens on Tuesday 7th June 2022 at 8:50am.

(Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June is a Training Day)

# Warmsworth Primary School Diary Dates

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Mon	23 May	9.15 am	F1am & F2MS	Sports Day
Mon	23 May	1.30pm	F1pm & F2LW	Sports Day
Tues	24 May	9.20am	Year 1, 2 & 3	Sports Day
Wed	25 May	9.20am	Years 4, 5 & 6	Sports Day
Thur	26 May	9:00am-12 noon	Year 5/6	Girls Football
Fri	27 May	All Day	Year 5	CAST for Queen's Jubilee Celebration
Fri	27 May	All Day	All Years	Queen Jubilee Celebration
Fri	27 May	3:30pm	All Years	School Closes
Mon	6 Jun	All Day	All Years	Training Day - School Closed
Tues	7 Jun	8:50am	All Years	School Opens
Tues-Fri	7-10 Jun	All Week	Year 1	Phonics Screening
Wed	8 Jun	9:00am-9:30am	F1	New Parent Meeting
Wed	8 Jun	3:45pm-4:15pm	F1	New Parent Meeting
Fri	10 Jun	9:00am-3:00pm	Year 4	South Yorkshire Cricket Final
Fri	10 Jun	9:00am-9:30am	F2	New Parent Meeting
Fri	10 Jun	3:45pm-4:15pm	F2	New Parent Meeting
Mon-Tue	13-14 Jun	All Day	F2 - Year 6	Cricket Session
Tue	14 Jun	2:30pm-3:30pm	Year 2	Parent Session
Wed	15 Jun	All Day	Year 5 & 6	Brodsworth Cricket Club
Wed		All Day	Year 3 & 4	
Thur	15 Jun			Visit to Flow homes and the Vi
	16 Jun	All Day	Year 5	Visit to Flamborough
Fri	17 Jun	1:00pm-3:30pm	Year 6	Birth & Conception Talk
Fri	17 Jun	All Day	Year 5	Rounders Tournament
Thur	23 Jun	9:00am-3:00pm	Year 4/5/6	Girls' Cricket
Thur	23 Jun	14:30pm	KS2 Choir	Sing Out Performance
				at Doncaster Dome 7-8.30pm
Fri	24 Jun	All Day	Year 4	Ancient Egypt - Partake Theatre
Fri	1 Jul	All Day	All Years	Stancee Wedd Art Award
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Fri	1 Jul	1:30pm-3:30pm	Year 5	Enterprise Event
Fri	1 Jul	2:45pm-3:30pm	F2	Showcase Event
Mon	4 Jul	3:00pm-3:30pm	Year 1	Art Exhibition
Tue	5 Jul	2:45pm-3:30pm	Year 4	Enterprise Event
Wed	6 Jul	2:30pm-3:30pm	Year 3	Enterprise Event
Thur	7 Jul	All Day	Year 5/6	Cricket Competition
Fri	8 Jul	11:15am-11:45am	F1	Parent Session
Fri	8 Jul	3:00pm-3:30pm	F1	Parent Session
Fri	8 Jul	All Day	YR 5/6	Cricket Festival
Mon	11 Jul	2:30pm-3:30pm	All Years	Guitar Concert
Tue	12 Jul	9:00am-10:00am	Year 1	Parent Session
Wed	13 Jul	2:45pm-3:30pm	All Years	General Music Concert
Fri	15 Jul	2:30pm-3:30pm	All Years	Class Swaps & Reports Out
Fri	22 Jul	All Day	All Years	Art Exhibition
Tues	26 Jul	4:30pm-5:30pm	Year 6	Leavers Evening
Weds	27 Jul	3:30pm	All Years	School Closes to pupils
Thurs	28 Jul	All Day	All Years	Training Day - School Closed
Fri	29 Jul	All Day	All Years	School Closed for Summer Holidays
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