

Update Regarding Strike Action on Wednesday 5th and Friday 7th July

Further to the letter from John Perry, the chair of governors I would like to elaborate on the proposed strike action. The next days of strike action by NEU teacher members is planned to take place on Wednesday 5th July and Friday 7th July 2023. The NEU is in dispute with the Secretary of State for Education with regards to their failure to ensure enough money is available to pay a fully funded increase in pay for teachers which at least matches inflation, and which begins to restore lost pay following a number of pay freezes since 2010. Teachers have taken the difficult decision to strike over pay and conditions in education. I am pleased that the union has recognised the need for pay decisions to be fully-funded. The decision of the government not to fund pay increases for teachers and support staff over the last year has had a very significant impact on school budgets across the country including at our school.

We understand the difficulties that these arrangements will cause to parents and carers. There will be those in support of or in opposition to these strikes but please be **respectful** regarding this at all times. I can assure you that this decision will not have been made lightly and will have a financial impact on teachers and their families.

Thank you for your continued support

Strategic School Development Plan

We are currently reviewing our School Strategic Development Plan and Vision Statement. A letter has been emailed to you from the governors and a copy of the letter can be accessed <u>here</u>. The SSDP can be accessed <u>here</u>. If would like to comment then please use the following Google Form. Thank you for your continued support of school.

https://forms.gle/AFTNPEcNx1YuvJeM7

Grow a Pound

Thank you to all our parents and families for your amazing support with our recent Grow A Pound initiative. It has been an overwhelming success and you have raised a staggering £2278 for school. We have selected some category winners BUT this has been very difficult as we feel that you are all winners!

Most Money raised—Hidayah £227

For walking so far and taking and selling pictures—William KS1 Most Creative—Ruby & Archie Crenigan— Toy sale (outside their house) KS2 Most Creative—George W, Matheo & Chloe—Clay Models to order

We will looking at the suggestions for how to spend the money and will let you know how we have used it to improve our school. Thanks again for your generosity.



Sports Day

Sports Day is scheduled to take place on Friday 14th July on the Peggy Wilson Playing Field. Robins and Swallows (Reception, Year One and Year Two) will run between 9.30–11am and KS2 (Year 3,4,5 and 6) will run between 1.30–3.30pm. Parents and Carers are welcome to attend.



Reports

School reports will be sent home week commencing 10th July. Please note that reports will be sent a Key Stage at a time as this is an extremely time consuming job for staff in the school office. The task will be spread throughout the week. All reports will be received by parents and carers by the end of the week. As with previous years a Google Form will be sent out for your comments and feedback.

Non Uniform on the last day of term

We are inviting children to come in non uniform on the last day of term. We hope this will encourage families to donate preloved uniform, school coats and shoes for a uniform sale in September. We would welcome donations of book bags from those Year Five children who have decided to have a rucksack in year 6. Please bring all items on Friday 21st July. Thank you to Mrs Parker who washes and coordinates the pre-

loved uniform sales.

Our revised school uniform policy can be viewed <u>here.</u>



Buddy trip

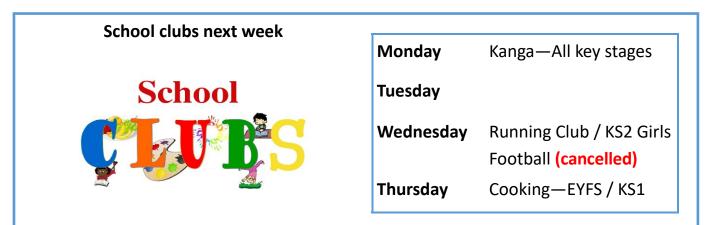
On Monday 10th July the Year Six and Reception buddies will be celebrating their time together over this past year. In previous years we have taken the children on a trip to the seaside. However, we are mindful that with the current cost of living situation it is too much to ask parents to pay for another trip this year. On this basis Mrs Fordham and Miss Akrigg have planned some surprise activities on the Rec. The planned treats and activities will be funded by the PTA. We are very proud of the children and the buddy relationships and hope they will enjoy their afternoon of celebrations. Children do not need to bring a packed lunch on this date, all refreshments and food will be provided. Reception and Year 6 children may come to school in non-uniform on Monday 10th July - their clothing should be bright, fun, cheerful and ready to celebrate!







Learning to Live — Oscar / Henry
Living to Love — Ruby / Arthur
Loving to Learn — Xanthe / Freya
Learning to Live — Frejya
Living to Love — Fearne
Loving to Learn —Finlay
Learning to Live — Primrose
Living to Love — Isla
Loving to Learn — Ryan
Learning to Live — Jacob
Living to Love — George
Loving to Learn — Tommy
Learning to Live — Isabella
Living to Love — Lola
Loving to Learn — Emma



Our end of half term newsletter will be Friday 21st July 2023



Summer Term 2023

Monday 3rd July—South Craven induction day—Y6 Monday 3rd July/Friday 7th July—Bewerley Park Residential—Y6 Monday 3rd and Tuesday 4th July—Transition morning Tuesday 4th July—Y5 day at South Craven Monday 10th July—Buddy Activities (Reception / Y6) Tuesday 11th July—Reception Graduation—2pm Thursday 13th July—Y6 parents in school to join in a lesson—9am Friday 14th July—Parent Forum Friday 14th July—Sports Day Monday 17th July—Y6 Performance—6pm Tuesday 18th July—Y6 Pendle Wavelengths trip Thursday 20th July—Y6 Leavers' service in church - 2pm Friday 21st July—Y6 Leavers' assembly—9.15am

Further dates will be added to this as the term progresses. Please check for any changes each week.

Y6 Careers Fair

Our annual Y6 Careers fair was a great success. Thanks to all those who came to talk to the children and present their careers. It really was a valuable opportunity for the children to see what possibilities are open to them for the future!



