

Dear Parents and Carers

What a treat to have two **class assemblies** to end this week! We enjoyed finding out more about Year 4's residential trip to Lineham Farm this morning. They certainly seem to have had a great time in the snow and showed lots of perseverance. Year 5 had written their own assembly and we particularly liked finding out about Mayan maths and the way the class adapted and kept going in the face of failing (old and new) technology. Well done to both classes!

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Today is the **national offer day** for secondary school places. Emails to Y6 families will have been arriving since 8am this morning and the offer can also be checked on the application portal. If parents applied via a paper form then they will be contacted via letter, which will take a few days to arrive. For any queries the email contact relating to offers is [startingsecondary@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:startingsecondary@leeds.gov.uk). Do speak to us if there is a problem with your offer as we can let you know what the advice from the local authority is.

On Thursday next week it is **World Book Day**. We would like children to think about books they would recommend to others and so children can dress up as a character they find interesting, bring a prop or wear a quote from a favourite passage. Please see [last week's newsletter](#) for further ideas. As well as dressing up we will be doing other activities to promote a love of reading, including DEAR (Drop Everything and Read) and paired reading between different classes. Our cooks are making a special themed lunch next week (on Wednesday to avoid the ever-popular roast dinner day) and I am sure with **British Science Week** coming up soon we will be reading our fair share of science books too.

School Council have decided that we should re-launch our **Lunchtime Lottery** system that had been paused for a while. Throughout the week children can be awarded tickets for being kind, helpful, putting away equipment, making an effort to try new foods, etc. At Superstars assembly each class then draws one ticket out of their gold box. The winner then chooses a classmate to accompany them when they have lunch at the specially decorated table with a school grown up. We relaunched it this week and I very much enjoyed the conversations we had at the table and what I found out about the learning going on around school. Phonics is very popular in R/KS1 and history topics in KS2!

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

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## DIARY DATES

Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	Y3 Stone Age trip to the Discovery Centre
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day. We usually dress up as book characters today.
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> & Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> March	(British Science Week 8 <sup>th</sup> to 17 <sup>th</sup> March) Our workshops on these dates.
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Y6 watching dress rehearsal of Beauty and the Beast at Lawnswood School
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Stay and Play in YR, Y1 & Y2 at the start of the day. Families welcome!
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Y3 at Leeds University School Sports Festival TBC
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Hot Cross Bun sale straight after school TBC
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Water safety assemblies
18 <sup>th</sup> to 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Class visits to St Michael's to learn about the Easter story
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents and Carers Evening (appointments with class teachers)
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Y3/4 Easter Production dress rehearsal am for classes in school
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents and Carers Evening (appointments with class teachers) (this is a corrected date)
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Y3/4 Easter Production AM, families welcome THIS IS A TIME CLARIFICATION
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	TRAINING DAY. School will be closed to children. Staff will be training in school.
EASTER HOLIDAY. School will be closed Good Friday 29/3 to Friday 12/4. <a href="https://artcampuk.com/">https://artcampuk.com/</a> will run.	
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 2 intensive swimming lessons start (letter to follow nearer the time)
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> April	Stay and Play in YR, Y1 & Y2 at the start of the day. Families welcome!
22 <sup>nd</sup> & 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	D:Side PSHCE sessions (Safety around medicines, alcohol, etc.)
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	LKS2 Netball festival after school
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 2 Class Assembly, 9am in the hall. All Y2 families and friends welcome!
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> April	Shire Oak Sunday at St Michael's Church 10am, all welcome to the all-age service
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> April	Leeds Rhinos netball match – tickets available via school
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Reception Class Assembly, 9am in the hall. All YR friends and family welcome!
BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY. School will be closed the 6 <sup>th</sup> May for one day.	
13 <sup>th</sup> to 17 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATs week (Year 6)
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 1 Class Assembly, 9am in the hall. All Y1 friends and family welcome!
HALF TERM. School will be closed Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> May to Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> May. <a href="https://artcampuk.com/">https://artcampuk.com/</a> will run a playscheme	
3 <sup>rd</sup> to 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Green Week, including pedestrian and scooter training
3 <sup>rd</sup> to 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Bikeability training for Year 6. This will include road cycling if the assessment is passed!
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	Y3 trip to Otley Chevin TBC
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	R&S Education meeting for Y5 and Y6 parents/carers
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	Y5 trip to the water treatment plant
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	Y5/6 Girls' Tag Rugby qualifiers 1-3pm
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	TRAINING DAY. School closed to children. Staff working offsite.
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Eid assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Non uniform day (in return for a tombola present for HYMF, thank you)
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	New Reception parents/carers meeting (am and evening)
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Y5/6 Mixed Culley Sevens 1-3pm
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	Y5 trip to the recycling plant
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Headingley Youth Music Festival 12-4pm. This is our gift to the community and also our summer fair. All children in school are in our choir that performs, as do Y4 djembe players and other musicians. (Please avoid booking parties today!)
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Y5/6 Girls' Tag Final stages (at Headingley) 1-3pm
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Y5/6 Girls' Contact Festival 1-3pm
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 3 Class Assembly, 9am in the hall. All friends and family of Y3 welcome!
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Transition day TBC
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Music Recital am. All welcome!
Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> & Tues 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Days TBC
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5/6 production to rest of school
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5/6 production to friends and family, all welcome! (evening)
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Leavers' Service at St Michael's Church, 10:30am. All welcome!
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Y6 Leavers' trip
TERM DATES: <a href="https://www.leeds.gov.uk/residents/children-families-and-carers/schools-and-learning/school-calendar">https://www.leeds.gov.uk/residents/children-families-and-carers/schools-and-learning/school-calendar</a>	

\* means added or changed since last newsletter TBC means this is yet to be confirmed and may have to change.