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This week our attendance was...

**93.1%**

Oh no, let's get to 96%!

12<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

I'd like to start by saying a massive well done to all our children in Year 6 who have been absolutely amazing this week as they have completed their national tests. You have all been stars and shown great resilience and character. You all deserve a lovely relaxing weekend now!

**Ascent Trampoline Park:**

As an end of test week treat the Year 6's will be going to Ascent trampoline park next Thursday. If you haven't completed the permission slip please return this to school as soon as possible.

**1/2G Fundraiser:**

Miss Guest has confirmed that 1/2G will be hosting a quiz and raffle night on the 9<sup>th</sup> June from 3.30pm in aid of Homeless Hounds. There will be lots of prizes to be won so we look forward to seeing as many of you as possible there!

**Mereside Movers/Mereside Coffee Morning:**

Mereside movers welcomes parents, toddlers and babies from 0 - 4 years old, especially all our Reception new starter children for Sept 2023 😊 to join our music & movement session on Wednesday 17th May at our Family Hub coffee morning. Please just come along to our children's centre from 8.45am. All our families are very welcome to join us and meet our support team for a chat whilst enjoying coffee and biscuits. You will also be able to have a look at our recycled children's clothing & footwear, which is all free to take home 😊

**Life Skills Course - open to all:**

We have received the following message from his week from Jono Peatman which we have been asked to share with all parents...

I just wanted to let you know that we will be running the CAP Life Skills course again in June! This is a 6 week course that looks at budgeting, efficiency around the home, cooking and healthy eating. The course is written and delivered from a christian perspective, but there's no expectation of people being Christians if they come on the course.

It's free, and will begin 1-2.30pm Tuesday 13th June at Blackpool Church St Johns, Cedar Square, FY1 1BP

Please contact Mrs Benyon if you are interested and she will pass over your name, address, email and phone number. Jono will then be in touch with you in preparation for the course.

**Dinosaur lunch day:**

On Thursday we will be serving our dinosaur lunch in school. If your child normally brings a packed lunch but would like to join us with a school meal on this day please make sure you let the office know.

**And finally, this week's superstars are...**

**Nursery – Oliver** for settling into the setting so well and being a superstar. Well done Oliver!

**RT – Vinnie** for always putting in 100% and **Kingsley** for trying really hard and making good choices. Well done both of you!

**RP – Reggie** for fantastic reading and answering tricky comprehension questions and **Tommy** for always being ready to learn with a smile on his face. You are both superstars!

**1/2G – Lexcy** for having a brilliant attitude to learning and making great choices and **Lilly** for trying hard in everything she has done this week and keeping things organised. Well done both of you!

**1/2R – Hannah** for fantastic fantasy story writing and **Isla** for knocking our socks off with her fantastic progress in reading. Well done both of you!

**1/2M – Teddy** for making such sensible choices this week and **Holly** for always trying hard in all she does. We are so proud – Well done both of you!

**30 – Dominik** for being such a perfect role model all of the time and **Arianna** for some super work in fractions. Well done both of you!

**3SC – Isabella** for having perfect penmanship and gaining her pen license and **Blake** for a huge improvement in lessons, putting 100% effort in and being enthusiastic. Well done both of you!

**4FB – Lydia** for working hard on her times table recall and joining the 25 club and **Oliver** for great participation in group discussions this week. Well done both of you!

**5/6HP, 5/6HP and 5/6W – The whole of year 6** for incredible perseverance, and putting their best effort in. We are so proud of every single one of you! And **the whole of year 5** for being supportive friends, keeping us all sane and smiling and showing some excellent teamwork in their sporting activities.

A big well done to everyone!!

**Upcoming dates for your diary:**

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May** – Dinosaur lunch day

Year 6 trip to Ascent

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May**– Whole school sports week

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May** – Long distance run – whole school

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May** – Sports Carousel – whole school

Year 4 Fit2Go Festival at Blackpool Football Club

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May** – Sports Day – whole school

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May** – School closes for half term at 3.15pm

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June** – School reopens at 8.35am  
**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June** – Fish and chip lunch  
**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June – Thursday 15<sup>th</sup>** – KS2 London Trip  
**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June** – World Music Day  
**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July** – Themed week: Around the world – whole school  
**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July** – End of year reports sent home  
**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July – Thursday 6<sup>th</sup>** – Year 3/4 trip to Gulliver’s World  
**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July – Friday 7<sup>th</sup>** – Year 6 high school transition days  
**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July** – Children in reception to year 5 moving up day  
**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July** – Year 5/6 production – 1.30pm  
**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July** – Year 5/6 production – 9.30am  
**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July** – Nursery graduation  
**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July** – Leaver’s lunch  
 Wizard of Oz performance for the whole school  
**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July** – End of year awards ceremony  
**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July** – Celebrations for year 6 leavers  
**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July** – Leavers assembly  
 School closes for the Summer Holidays at 1.30pm

Stay safe and thank you for your continued support,

Ms S Upton  
Headteacher

**Coming up next week...**

| Date   | Event  | Time  |
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| Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> May<br><br>P.E. – 3O                                   | Multi-Sports – Years 5 and 6   | 3.15pm – 4.15pm   |
| Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> May<br><br>P.E. – 3O<br>4FB<br>5/6W<br>5/6HP<br>5/6JP | Dance – Years 1 and 2<br><br>Lego – Years 1 and 2  | 3.15pm – 4.15pm<br><br>3.15pm – 4.15pm  |
| Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> May<br><br>P.E. – 1/2G<br>1/2R<br>1/2M              | Ball Skills – Reception and Year1<br><br>Athletics – Years 3 and 4<br><br>Archery – Years 5 and 6<br><br>Dodgeball – Years 5 and 6<br><br>Storytelling in the tepee – Year 2 | 3.15pm – 4.15pm<br><br>3.15pm – 4.15pm<br><br>3.15pm – 4.15pm<br><br>3.15pm – 4.15pm<br><br>3.15pm – 4.15pm |
| Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> May  | Yoga – Reception and Year 1  | 3.15pm – 4.15pm   |

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| <p>P.E. – Early Years<br/>3SC<br/>3P<br/>1/2M<br/>1/2R<br/>1/2G</p> | <p>Football – Years 1 and 2<br/><br/>Badminton – Years 3 and 4<br/><br/>Rounders – Years 5 and 6<br/><br/>Dinosaur Lunch<br/><br/>Year 6 trip to the trampoline park</p> | <p>3.15pm – 4.15pm<br/><br/>3.15pm – 4.15pm<br/><br/>3.15pm – 4.15pm<br/><br/>11.30am – 1pm</p> |
| <p>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May<br/><br/>P.E. – 4FB<br/>3O</p>        | <p>Archery – Reception and Year 1</p>  | <p>3.15pm – 4.15pm</p>  |