

Newsletter 17 17thJune 2016



Dear Parents, Carers and members of the community, welcome to Newsletter 17. I hope this communication finds you well. What a wonderful start to the term we have had with exotic animals, disability awareness, maths challenges, Church School Festivals, sport coaches and much, much more. If you want to ensure that you keep up to date with events such as these, please follow us on Twitter where pictures are published and the daily events taking place within school are catalogued for the school community to see. This term is certainly a busy one with many more events still to take place and I hope that you are able to join us for Pedal Power, Summer Fayre and Sports Morning as well as some of the leaver celebrations as we honour our wonderful Year 6 pupils (dates for these are within this newsletter) I hope you have an enjoyable 2 weeks until the next newsletter. Should anyone wish to catch me, I am always available for a quick chat most mornings or appointments can be made via the school office

Best Wishes, Mr Sam Eden (Headteacher)

Be the Best You Can Be!



Our certificates for achievement were awarded to the following children in our special Friday assembly-well done all;

Class France- Alfie Lowe
Class India- Kara Hunter, Emily Awcock
Class Madagascar- Horatio Browne
Class Australia- Nicole Barnes-Green
Class USA- Esmee Millott, Rosie Lawson
Class Iceland- Olivia Clark-Monk, Sam Taylor

Mega Maths - The following children have been celebrated by the school for their commitment and enthusiasm.

Class France – Alan Hunter
Class India – Ted Duggan, Alfie Dutfield
Class Madagascar – Finley Burrows
Class Australia – Jasmine Gheniou
Class USA – Jack Marsh
Class Iceland – Justin Dixon Hardy

Well done to all children, across the school, for being the best you can be!

Pedal Power



'Pedal Power', our super sponsor event will take place on Friday 24th June. We hope that the children are enjoying collecting their sponsorship and were treated to a special assembly led by Dr Bike who showed them what they could win.

As you are now aware, for every £5 of sponsorship that the children collect, their name will be entered into a special prize draw in which they could win a brand new Frog Bike, worth up to £400.

We also launched our bike helmet shop in which we had a number of helmets available at cost price courtesy of Dr. Bike. We have sold all 30 of the helmets and are trying to get more stock in to school as soon as possible.

Thank you for your interest in this.

Please be reminded that parents are invited to attend the afternoon session of Pedal Power which will feature a special stunt show as well as the PTFA BBQ and Ice Cream stall. Parents can come into school from 1.30pm-if you would like to bring your bike you can also ride the track and contribute towards our total of cycling to the British Library and back again as many times as possible. We are looking forward to this event and sharing it with you.

Advance Notice of Date- Sports Morning and Summer Fayre-Friday 8th July



In preparation for the Summer Fayre, which promises to be the best one yet, there are some requests and dates to make you aware of:

- -We will be running the hugely popular 'Barrow of Booze' again and ask that if anyone is able to donate any alcohol to school (a bottle of beer, wine, any other alcoholic beverages) they are sent to the office.
- -We will be holding a cake stall and would love to provide a wide variety of cakes. If you are willing to donate cakes (home-made or shop bought), please can these be sent to the office on the morning of the 8th July and these can be included in our cake stall.
- -The children may come to school in non-uniform on Tuesday 5th July in exchange for a prize for our tombola (anything you are willing to donate will be kindly accepted).

There are still pitches available if you wish to run a stall, please see Mrs Beard in the office. Stalls are charged at £10 per stall and we welcome Car Booters too; A car boot pitch is £5.

We hope you can join us for this wonderful day. The morning will be Sports Morning fun and you are welcome to bring a picnic and eat lunch on the school field with your child or buy a tasty treat from the PTFA bbq which will be fired up and ready directly after the sports. The Summer Fayre will then take place in the afternoon and we look forward to seeing you there.

Tony Butler's Exotic Animal Experience

On Tuesday 7th and Wednesday 8th June, we welcome Tony Butler into school to share with our children his collection of exotic animals. He brought with him snakes, tarantula, pygmy hedgehog, bearded dragon and an owl. Apart from the owl, all children were able to handle the different creatures and it was phenomenal to see children (and adults) face their fears and conquer any worries or concerns they had. Follow us on twitter to see these pictures @ancasterprimary

Excellent Feedback

We were lucky to receive a monitoring visit from the Diocese where one of their advisors spent the morning in school. The feedback from this visit was incredibly positive and the advisor was able to agree that the school has made incredible amounts of progress in order to provide outstanding outcomes for pupils.

Dates for your Diary



23rd June-Y3/4 trip to Mini Olympics
24th June-Pedal Power
28th June-Class France Farm Trip
5th July-Bookfair in school
7th July-Reports sent home to school
8th July-Sports Morning and Summer Fayre
13th July-Moving Up Morning
14th July-Volunteer Tea
15th July-Y6 Prom
19th July-Y6 Leavers Service at Church-2pm
21st July-End of Term

Transition Meetings

This year we will be holding transition meetings where your child's Class Teacher for the next academic year will present the arrangements for the year and any pertinent information. These dates are in the process of being finalised but will be in the final weeks of term. Please note, we are finalising the staffing and pupil class lists for September and will let you know in due course.

Communication with Class Teachers

Please be reminded that Class Teachers will make themselves available each morning and after school. Any questions or queries should be communicated with your child's teacher in the very first instance as they will be able to deal with any issues promptly. We pride ourselves on being an open and honest school and value the opportunity to discuss issues with parents before they become a problem.