

Dear Parents, Carers and members of the community, welcome to Newsletter 17 – the last of this academic year. It is hard to believe that we are already at the end of the year and the much anticipated Summer Holidays are about to begin. What a fantastic year it has been with much celebrated through the 17 newsletters we have published. Ancaster is such a special school and one that has continued to evolve and develop again across this year. Thank you to everyone for your continued support of our school and all that we are working hard to achieve for your children. As we finish for the summer break and move to our new academic year, we say ‘goodbye’ to our brilliant Year 6 children who have worked so very hard and finish their time in Primary Education with their heads held high! Goodbye to their families who are leaving us too-we hope the transition to Secondary School is seamless and stress free! Once again, may I take this opportunity to say the biggest thank you for every ounce of support you give to Ancaster-have the best summer break and we look forward to seeing you in September. Best Wishes, *Mr Sam Eden (Headteacher)*

### New Class Identities



During Move-Up morning last week, all classes voted for their choice of new class names for September which are as follows:

**Reception: Class Scotland**

**Year 1: Class Indonesia**

**Year 2: Class Morocco**

**Year 3: Class Tanzania**

**Year 4: Class Belgium**

**Year 5: Class Cuba**

**Year 6: Class Barbados**

The children are all extremely excited to learn about these countries and will begin doing so in the first week back in September, culminating in a Class Identity Day on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September where children can come dressed in their country's national dress, colour of the flag or another idea associated with that country e.g. typical animal. The children always enjoys these days which typically involve dance, art and food tasting!



### Exceptional SATs results

Each year, our children in Year 6 are required to undertake end of Key Stage 2 tests commonly known as SATs. With the most recent results announced last week, we are delighted to share that our outcomes have improved again considerably and are once again, in line with and/or above figures seen nationally. Well done to the children in Year 6 for their hard work and efforts and to all of the staff involved in ensuring the children are the best they can be!

Subject	School	National
Reading	<b>71%</b>	73%
Writing	<b>91%</b>	78%
SPaG	<b>96%</b>	78%
Maths	<b>88%</b>	79%

### Sports Day and Summer Fayre



Thank you to everyone who showed their support on Sports Morning. We had the best time undertaking sporting activities and competing in races together! Thank you also to everyone who joined us for Summer Fayre-Wow, what a wonderful afternoon and the sun shone brightly for us all. We are so incredibly grateful to be able to announce that the school raised £1160 over the course of the afternoon and we cannot thank you enough for your support! This money goes straight back into school towards our total for our total to our new classroom.

## Goodbye and Good Luck!

*Good Luck*

Today we said goodbye to several members of staff who are moving on to pastures new. We have given them all a well-deserved send off and have loved sharing memories and celebrating their time in school.

Goodbye and good luck to Mrs Hayter, Mr Divers, Mrs Glendinning and Mrs Hiorns. We wish them all the very best as they embark on their next chapter and we want to thank them for all of their hard work and efforts for our children and school.

## Volunteers Tea



On Monday this week, we were able to thank our hard working volunteers who, across the year, give up so much of their valuable time to help us be the best we can be. A super time was had by all. Many thanks must go to Mrs Garriock for organising this annual event and to Mrs Phillis for providing the entertainment. If you are interested in volunteering next year, we always need extra pairs of hands and would love to have this conversation with you. Please see our school website for more information and contact Mrs Parsons.



*Happy holidays to everyone-have the best Summer break and we look forward to seeing our returning families on September 4<sup>th</sup> where the gates will open at 8.45am*

## Class Nepal-Amazing Performance

Class New Nepal put on another fantastic show with their production of Pirates of the Curry Bean, with some clear acting talent emerging-watch out West End! What a wonderful way for the children to end their year; many thanks to the staff and children who all worked so hard to put this brilliant production together!



## Year 6 Leavers

Year 6, and invited guests, had a wonderful party to celebrate their time spent at Ancaster as night. What a wonderful group of Year 6 children we have had the pleasure of educating, some for all 7 years of their Primary school journey, and we are very proud of every single one of them. The Leavers' Service was also a wonderful, and fitting way, to say goodbye. Thank you to everyone who joined us in church for the Leavers Service yesterday. **Goodbye Year 6-we will miss you so much!**

## Safeguarding Online

Please find attached some short video clips to help keep your child safe online. There is some information on both game ratings ensuring your child only plays games with appropriate content for their age, and parental controls- a great way to set time limits and access to appropriate content. To use these clips, please follow the link below:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCxMnZ02SI1AbtIhq-m3rrVQ>

## Talent Show

We were so pleased to be able to hold our annual talent show where the children showcased their many talents and as a school, we all had so much fun! Mr Eden, Mrs Moore, Miss Crosby and Miss Rogers formed our judging panel and they were blown away by the talent on offer-thank you to all of the parents who helped the children prepare.