Edenfield News

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Head's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to all the parents and carers who joined the workshop and consultation on the revised PSHE and RSE curriculum. This was a highly informative evening for which the school received very positive feedback. A special thank you to Mrs Hope for preparing and delivering the information so that parents were fully informed on the content and delivery of this curriculum, across all year groups. Letters will be sent to parents of pupils in Years 4, 5 and 6 with explicit details on what will be taught in the summer term, with an option to withdraw from the non–statutory aspects in Y6. However, in the meantime, if you would like a copy of the presentation, please email Mrs Garner or Mrs Hope and this will be arranged.

Staff Updates

I am delighted to welcome new staff members to the school, this term. Mrs Ball has joined as a teaching assistant, mostly based in Y3, although she will also support KS1 every afternoon. Mrs Ball is an experienced TA who previously worked at Northern Primary School for several years. We have also welcomed three new welfare assistants to the lunch team: Mrs Farmer, Mrs Carrington and Miss Richardson. I am sure you will join me in giving our new staff members a very warm welcome and wishing them all the very best in their new roles.

This week, we have celebrated Ascension Day in school, both during Worship and with a special Ascension Day service. We have reflected on how although we can't see God, we know he is there because he sent his son Jesus to show how much he loves us. After his resurrection, Jesus spent forty days with his disciples, appearing to many people in many different places. Before he returned to heaven according to God's plan, Jesus asked his followers to tell everyone they met about God's plan for the world and explained that he would send the Holy Spirit to help them. Just when the disciples thought they had their friend back, he left them again. We thought about how we feel when we have to say goodbye to someone we love. We considered the importance of special memories which give us comfort and how the disciples used their special memories to write the New Testament which we read today to learn all about the wonders of Jesus and his teachings. We thanked God for his promise to be a true friend to us, and for loving and caring for each one of us.

We prayed:

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord lift up his countenance upon you
And give you peace

Although the statutory assessments have been cancelled this year, as a school we will be using the 2019 papers to assess attainment and progress in Years 2 and 6 this month. The results will be used, alongside teacher assessment, to support pupil transition to the next key stage, and this data will be shared with parents and carers in the end of year reports. This week, Year 6 completed the assessments; they have worked extremely hard and behaved with maturity and impeccable conduct throughout. Most important of all, they all tried their absolute best – Mr Holt is very proud of their efforts. Key stage 1 assessments, including the phonics screening check will take place throughout May and June.

We intend to provide as many of our traditional Y6 events as possible, in the second half of the summer term. This will include a summer production. Although, we will not be able to use the drama studio at Haslingden or perform as a whole school, we will be staging **Alice in Wonderland** with Y6 pupils. Hopefully, by July, we will be able to welcome a small audience each day, over the course of a few days, to watch a live performance in school and this is our current intention. Should restrictions remain, we will have the final performance professionally filmed so that you can purchase a DVD of the show. Next week, Mr Holt will be introducing the play and explaining the audition process so that parts can be cast before the half term holiday. Other exciting events include a modified sports day, Bikeability and Science Week (week commencing 21st June).

Warm wishes,

C.L. Garner

Extra-Curricular Activities

Spring and Summer Term 2021

Clubs take place from the end of the school day until 4.15pm unless otherwise indicated.

Day	Activity	Year Group
Tues	**Book Club**	Years 1 and 2 *(Running alternate Tuesdays for each year group. Book Club will run until 28th May 2021.)*
Tues	**Friends at Play**	Year 3 *(Group B starts 8th June 2021.)*
Tues	**Girls' Football**	Years 5 and 6 *(Class bubbles to be kept separate)*
Wed	**Infant Sports**	Years 1 and 2 *(Running alternate Tuesdays for each year group)*
Wed	**Singing Club**	Years 5 and 6 *(Class bubbles to be kept separate)*
Wed	**Boys' Football**	Years 5 and 6 *(Class bubbles to be kept separate)*
Thurs	**Gardening**	Year 3
Thurs	**Running**	Year 4
Thurs	**Hockey**	Years 4 and 5 *(Class bubbles to be kept separate)*

REMINDER – NO CLUBS, WEDNESDAY 19TH MAY

STARS OF THE WEEK

Friday 7th May

Reception Class: Harvey Bracewell, Rupert Browne

Class 1: Jack-Thomas Lovick, Sienna-Louise Farnworth

Class 2: Harrison Major, Deniz Choudhury

Class 3: Elliott Paintin, James Dalby

Class 4: Seb Wall, Sophia Seal

Class 5: Harry Lord, Isabelle Archer

Class 6: Jamie Campbell, Mia Gent

Friday 14th May

Reception Class: Jack Worthington, Heidi Elmer

Class 1: Hamish Campbell, Max Irwin

Class 2: Rory Campbell, Esme Smethurst

Class 3: Freya Scully, Tess Giblin

Class 4: Stanley Wilcox-Wood, Amie Redfearn

Class 5: Francesca Ball, Oscar Dearden

Class 6: Leo Giles, Dziugas Raubutas

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY SO FAR

Tues 25th May	Class R and 6 - Height and weight check
Tues 25th May	Class 6 HHS transition meeting (Pupils only)
Thurs 27th May	Class 5 final swimming lesson
Fri 28th May	School closes for Half Term
Mon 7th June	School closed (Inset Day)
Tues 8th June	School opens
Weds 9th June	Class 6 Bikeability (Group 1)
Thurs 10th June	Class photographs
Thurs 10th June	Class 6 BRGS transition meeting (Pupils only)
Thurs 10th June	Class 5 Anglo Saxon visitor
Fri 11th June	Class 6 Bikeability (Group 1)
Mon 14th to 16th June	Class 5 and 6 – PGL Residential
Mon 14th June	New admissions parents' meeting via Teams
Thurs 17th June	Class 6 Bikeability (Group 2)
Fri 18th June	Class 6 Bikeability (Group 2)
Mon 21st June	Science Week
Tues 22nd June	BRGS entrance exam registration deadline (12 noon)
Mon 28th to 30th June	Class R Bikeability
Tues 6th July	New admissions fun and games outside (1.30 to 3.00pm)

(Additional dates may be added throughout the term)

Photographs in Worship

A reminder that due to safeguarding, no photographs or videos should be taken during online school events. We ask that you share this with any family members who may attend on your behalf.

BRGS Entrance Exam

The entrance examination registration system for Bacup and Rawtenstall Grammar School (BRGS) is now open. This is for parents who would like to consider BRGS as a possible high school for their child from September 2022. This would be current year 5 parents.

The registration page can be accessed via the "Admission Page" of the BRGS website (www.brgs.org.uk), or directly via this link: https://www.brgs.org.uk/about-us/admissions

Parents need to have completed their registration by 12 noon on Tuesday 22nd June 2021. Late registrations will not be accepted.