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# **Nettleton Community Primary School**

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Dear Parents/Carers

#### Newsletter Term 5 and 6

Welcome back to the summer term. We hope you had a lovely Easter break and that your child is refreshed for the exciting term ahead. This newsletter will let you know about some important dates and events going on in school between now and the end of the year.

#### **National Tests Dates**

The Year One Phonics Screening will take place the week beginning  $11_{th}$  June 2018. The Year Two National Curriculum Tests will take place the week beginning  $21_{st}$  May 2018. The Year Six National curriculum tests will take place the week beginning  $14_{th}$  May 2018.

Attendance in school is important all of the time but particularly important during these weeks.

#### **Year One Phonics Screening**

The phonics screening check is a short, simple assessment to make sure that all pupils are able to decode phonics to an appropriate standard by the age of 6. All Year One pupils in maintained schools, academies and free schools must complete the check. The phonics check will help teachers identify the children who need extra help so they can receive the support they need to improve their reading skills. These children will then be able to retake the check in Year Two. The check comprises a list of 40 words and non-words which the child will read one-to-one with a teacher. If you would like any more information about the phonics screen please speak to your child's teacher

#### **Year Two National Curriculum Tests**

Children in Year Two will undertake test in reading and maths. These tests are just one part of the teacher assessment that will be reported to you at the end of the year. As the children are so young we do everything we can to ensure the tests do not worry them in any way. If you have any questions about the Year Two tests please speak to your child's teacher or <u>click on this link</u>.

#### **Year Six National Curriculum Tests**

The children will undertake their National Curriculum tests soon. They will be tested in reading, grammar, spelling, arithmetic and mathematical reasoning. Your child's results will be shared with you at the end of the summer term. If you have any questions about the Year Six tests please speak to your child's teacher or <a href="click on this link">click on this link</a>.

# **Attendance**

Our attendance continues to be good this year; thank you for your support with this. We will award any child (around 40 at present) with a special medal at the end of the year if their attendance is over 97%. I hope to be awarding many of these medals. If your child is not going to be at school for any reason please let us know before 9.30am of the first day of absence.

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# **Swimming**

You can now pay for your child's swimming lesson(s) on Wisepay. You have the choice to pay termly or weekly. If you need your child's username/password please see the office staff.

#### Sun Safety

Hopefully we will have some good weather during the summer term. Can I please remind parents that if the sun is particularly hot you should provide a sunhat and sun cream in a named bottle. Staff cannot apply sun cream to children so it would be useful if this was also applied before the start of the school day.

# **Summer Term Reading Challenge**

Hopefully your child has told you about our summer term reading challenge. If not <u>please look at the letter here</u>. The challenge is simple; during the summer term your child has to read four times per week for at least 10 minutes at home, record this in their reading diary and then they will receive an invite to a special pool party in the last week of term. We are hoping that all children will attend a pool party!

#### **Reading Volunteers**

As I'm sure you are aware, at Nettleton Community Primary School, we place a large importance on regular reading practice. Reading to an adult and discussing books is an extremely important part of learning to read, both at home and at school, and we like to provide as many opportunities as possible for children to do this. We would like to recruit some more parent, carer and grandparent volunteers to come into school and work with our children across the school, hearing them read and talking about the books. If you could spare an hour or so each week to do this, mainly in the afternoons, we would love to hear from you. You may want to volunteer in your child's class or you might be happy working across the school in different year groups. Please can you see the Office staff if you would like to join us to hear children read at school.

# **Royal Wedding Celebration**

To mark the Royal Wedding we will be holding a special event in school on the afternoon of the Friday 18th May 2018 that we hope parents will be able to join us for. More details will follow but please pencil the date into your diaries.

# **Sports Day**

Our annual sports day will be held on Tuesday  $5^{th}$  June 2018 at 9.15am. If the weather is bad that day our reserve day is Wednesday  $13_{th}$  June 2018. We hope you can join us for this event.

# **Summer Show**

Our Summer Show will be performed by children in Years five and six, this will be held on Tuesday 17th July at 6.00pm in the Village Hall. Tickets will be sent home nearer the event.

# **Class Photographs**

We have a photographer coming in to take the whole school and leavers photographs on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2018.

### Leavers' Disco

We will hold our annual Leavers Disco for Key Stage Two children at Market Rasen Church of England Primary School between 6-8pm on Thursday 19th July 2018.

# **Leavers' Assembly**

Our in school leavers' assembly will be held on Thursday  $19_{th}$  July at 1.15pm. At this assembly we present awards, gifts and say goodbye and look forward to the next stage in their educational journey. Again, we welcome all Year Six parents to attend.

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I hope your child has a lovely summer term with us. As ever, if you have any queries about any aspect of your child's education please contact me.

Andrew Smith Executive Headteacher

# Important Dates for Your Diary Summer Term

w.c 14th May Key Stage Two SATS 18th May Royal Wedding Celebrations w.c 21st May Key Stage One SATS 25<sup>th</sup> May Celebration Assembly 2pm Village Hall 25th May End of Term 5 4th June Start of Term 6 5th June Sports Day (attempt 1) 6<sup>th</sup> June Whole School and Leavers' Photographs w.c 11th June Phonics Screening 13<sup>th</sup> June Sports Day (attempt 2) 15<sup>th</sup> June London Trip Year 5/6 17<sup>th</sup> July Year 5/6 Performance 19th July Year 6 Leavers Assembly 1.15pm Village Hall 19<sup>th</sup> July Celebration Assembly 2.00pm Village Hall 19th July KS2 Leavers Disco School 6-8pm 20th July End of Term 6





