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Nursery Sports Day

Nursery Sports Day will take place on Friday 5th July at 10.30am on the school field; followed by a family picnic in the nursery garden.

Reception and Years 1-6 Sports Day

Sports Day for the rest of the school will take place on Friday 5th July at 1.30pm on the school field. Please make sure that your child has their Montalbo PE kit in school next week so we can have a practice too.

ICT Suite

One of the final areas of the extension project is almost complete. This week saw the installation of the ICT suite furniture. Over the school holidays, additional electrical and IT work will take place to allow us to have 30 PCs running more efficiently at once. This will complement the Ipads purchased by FOMS and mean that we are well placed to challenge our children with a high quality computing curriculum, which will be important for them as they progress.

1940s Weekend

Well done to the 1940s group who were dressed as evacuees on Sunday and sang on the performance stage. I did come to see you but I think that times had been altered and you performed earlier than scheduled! Mrs Leonard informs me that you all did brilliantly. Well done to you all and thank you to Mrs Leonard for organising this.

Tickets for the Y5/6 Summer Performance

This week tickets for the Y5/6 Summer Performance were sent home with each child from Year 5 and 6. Each child received four tickets for each performance. If you do not require four on each night please return the unwanted tickets. This will be the first school play on the new stage that was purchased by FOMS, and it is much improved!

The performances both start at 6pm on July 8th and July 9th. Please can the children who are in the performances arrive in school at 5.30pm. Thank you.

FOMS Raffle

The FOMS summer raffle will be drawn on the final evening Y5/6 performance and there are some excellent prizes as usual. Please can you ensure that all raffle money and stubs are returned before then. Thank you to several families who have contributed raffle prizes and any donations are gratefully received.

Leavers' Assembly

Our Year 6 Leavers' Assembly will be on the last school day of this academic year, July 19th at 9am. Families of the Year 6 children are very welcome to attend.

Warm weather

As summer may have finally arrived, please make sure that your child has a wattle bottle in school (preferably labelled) so that they can keep hydrated. A sun hat is also a good idea as we will be practising for sports day, using the garden and outdoors when we can. Thank you.

Careers Fair

Today the Year 5/6 children were invited by The Hub to attend a Careers Fair. Children at this age are starting to become more ambitious and interested in their futures so hopefully this may have sparked a few interests!

Cycling Proficiency

A parental consent form has been sent out for children in Year 6 and Year 4 for cycling proficiency sessions that will run before the end of term. Year 5 will get their chance at the start of the new academic year when they are in Year 6.

ParentPay

Please can parents/carers check and act upon their outstanding balance as we approach the school holidays. It is important that parents/carers do try where possible to contribute to the cost of educational visits. We pride ourselves in the visits we make as they add a lot to the curriculum. We contribute from the school budget to make the costs as affordable as possible but we do need help to ensure that these are sustainable. If you are having difficulty understanding the system or your bill, please contact the School Office. Thank you.

End of Year Reports

These will be sent out on Tuesday 9th July so look out for them in your child's bag. It is the date that Key Stage 2 SATs results are sent to school so they will be in with the Year 6 reports. The format of the reports is a little different this year for children in Years 1-6. The new reports have additional information such as effort and give a flavour of achievement in all areas of the curriculum. There is a parental return slip as usual.

Ofsted Report

Our recent OFSTED is now published on their website and can be found at <https://files.api.ofsted.gov.uk/v1/file/50088561>

Attendance for w.b. 24.6.19

Class	Present
Reception	92.1%
Year 1	97.9%
Year 2	95.6%
Year 3	96.4%
Year 4	99.5%
Year 5	98.9%
Year 6	95.3%

School overall attendance is 96.7%

Please ensure that your child arrives at school no later than 8.55a.m. in order to make a prompt start for lessons.

1 hour 23 minutes of learning was lost to lateness this week.

Dates for the diary

July 2 nd	New Reception Starters transition morning
July 5 th	Sports Day (Nursery am then Reception and Y1-6 pm)
July 8 th & July 9 th	Year 6 cycling training
July 8 th	Year 5/6 Performance 6pm
July 9 th	Year 5/6 Performance 6pm
July 9 th	End of Year Reports sent home
July 10 th	Year 4 cycling training
July 10 th -July 12 th	Year 6 transition days to Teesdale School
July 12 th	Moving Up Day (Y1-6)
July 16 th	Year 6 at The Hub
July 17 th	Year 5 at The Bowes Museum
July 19 th	Leavers' Performance for Y6 9am
July 19 th	Last day of term
September 3 rd	Teacher training day
September 4 th	Children return to school

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