

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

## Stars of the Half Term

A busy half term draws to an end and we celebrate our Stars of this half term. Very well done to: Willow, Salma, Cerys, Dusty, Sereh, Will, Lottie, Emily, Charlie, Peter, Faye, Dexter, Teddy, Reggie, Adam, Finley, Hayden, Liliana G, Poppy, Liliana D, Hollie, Auriah, Amber, Harvey, Tillie-Mo, Ellis, Archie, and Avaiyah. We are very proud of you all!

## **Spring Concerts**

The Spring Concerts and EYFS Sing and Play events have been a pleasure to attend - thank you for the fabulous support. The children have performed fantastically well, whether vocally or playing their instruments (Year 5 and Year 6). We have some very talented and enthusiastic musicians in school! Well done everyone!

## Autism Awareness Day and Neurodiversity Week

On Wednesday we joined in with Autism Awareness day as part of <u>Neurodiversity Week</u>. Some Year 5 pupils led an assembly on Neurodiversity and Chloe from <u>ChAPS</u> joined them to speak about Autism. The children also took part in age appropriate discussions in their classrooms. The children's knowledge of neurodiversity, their acceptance and understanding of difference and their celebration of diverse strengths was remarkable!

## **Parents' Evening**

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend a parents' evening appointment. If you have not had a chance to speak to your child's class teacher, please contact the school office so we can organise a time for you to do so.

# ΡΤΑ

Our brilliant PTA have very kindly funded an Easter Egg gift to all the children today. Their Chocolate Bingo event on Tuesday was great fun and is well worth attending next year if you haven't yet tried it. Thanks to everyone's generosity and baking skills, over £200 was raised at the PTA Mother's Day cake sale last week. Look out for tasty end of term treats on sale on the playground tonight! To become involved with the PTA, please email winningtonparkpta@gmail.com

## **Big Walk and Wheel Results**

Thank you to everyone who has been able to be involved in the Big Walk and Wheel. Winnington Park have totaled 1211 journeys (roughly the same as last year). Our daily participation rate was 39.22%. Mrs Gill and Mrs Flowers' Y2 class made the most journeys on foot or by wheel with 144! Thank you to all our Attendance Champions for their warm welcomes and the stickers!

## **School Meal Price Increase**

The planned school meal price increase will take place from 1<sup>st</sup> May. The price of a school meal will rise by 6p to £2.95. Our delicious school dinners are nutritionally balanced and remain some of the cheapest in the area.

# Important Dates for the Diary

A full list of dates and events will be provided next half term.

Statutory test dates for which the children need to be in school:

Year 6 SATS - the week of Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May Year 4 Multiplication Check – Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June to Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June Year 1 Phonics Check – the week of Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June

Year 6 SATS Parents' Meeting - Friday 25th April 3.15pm

Sports Day Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May

Reception and Nursery 9.15am   Years I and 2 10.30am   Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 1.30pm
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Sports Day back up date in case of bad weather: Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June

# Appeal for Help – Flooring and Videographers

We are redeveloping our Nurture and Sensory room. Despite achieving success with two grant funding bids, we are appealing for anyone who works in flooring who could help us with donations or discounted astroturf or soft flooring. The school website is also being revamped – if you are a videographer and could give us some guidance and support please contact the school office.

## **Book Fair**

Our two book fairs this year have earned School over £1000 in credit with Scholastic. Mrs Adams, our Reading Leader, will use this to enhance class libraries providing more exciting and engaging books for the children.

# Safe Driving and Parking

PCSO Donelley has reported back seeing considerate driving on the Moss Farm car parks and roads around school – thank you. Cheshire FA have been in touch asking that we don't use the parking bays in front of their building – the two large car parks are available.

## Attendance and Punctuality

Attendance at School this half term has been 96.4%, an increase on the same time last year which was 94.9% - well done everyone! School starts at 8.45am and we need to improve our punctuality next half term. Being on time reduces anxiety and ensures the children do not miss any of their learning.

## **Return to School**

Have a lovely break and thank you for your support this half term. Children return on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April.

Your sincerely,

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