

10<sup>th</sup> May 2019

Dear Parents / Carers,

Lots of children were picked up early last Friday for the Tour de Yorkshire...so far I've only seen photos from one family having a lovely time watching the race go by, I'm sure there are plenty more to come. If you have photos please email them to me on the address above.



Next week the children in Y6 will take their SATs tests along with all other Y6 children around the country. We know that there is a lot of press coverage about SATs and the stress and anxiety this can cause in children. We appreciate this at Grimes Dyke and do our best to make the experience as stress free as possible. SATs week is only one week in the children's lives at Grimes Dyke and we don't want Y6 children to just remember 'doing SATs!' The children (and Miss Pickup) have all worked incredibly hard and all we ask of them now is they try their best; in return we promise to make it as fun as possible with plenty of treats along the way. Breakfast club is free all week for children in Y6 so please encourage your children to attend so they can be around their friends and start the day with a healthy breakfast. We'd love it if you could remind your children about having fun this weekend; play, relax and get plenty of sleep – we do not expect them to be revising all weekend! If children are anxious, talk to them about their worries and reassure them that SATs are nothing to be worried about. We're all really proud of them already.



On Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June at 9.30am we are having a special coffee morning for parents. This will be attended by a couple of friendly governors who want to talk to parents about their opinions about the school. Their aim is to find out the things that we do well as well as taking suggestions from parents about things they'd like to see in school. It's not really an opportunity for complaints as I would hope parents would come to staff in school first with any problems, but the governors would really like to talk to as many parents / carers as possible. We asked parents last time what they thought would make more parents attend a coffee morning and the answer was bacon sandwiches, so I can promise there will be bacon / veggie sausage sandwiches on offer that morning and all for free!



Our after school clubs are really popular at the moment with a range of activities being offered to children. We currently have tag rugby, boot camp, football, dance and art club! If your child hasn't tried an after school club this half term look out for the clubs for next half term.

We have had confirmation that the school will definitely be used as a polling station for the European Elections so school will be closed once again on that day, 23<sup>rd</sup> May.

Have a lovely weekend

Miss Hill