

09 June 2017 WEEKLY UPDATE



This week: This term's topics are *At the Seaside* and *Pirates*. We're looking forward to our class *Pirate Parties* later in the term—please see the letter sent home today and send in £1 for your party ticket if you can join us.

- The core value is *Wisdom*—please find an activity sheet enclosed for you to try at home. Linked to this is the British Value of *Individual Liberty*.
- Ash and Oak classes and their teachers had the first of five super sessions run by the Derby and Derbyshire Music Partnership (DDMP), aimed at adding more music to our school day.
- Pls complete & return your *Parent/Carer survey*. Your feedback is appreciated and really helps us shape the way we do things in our schools.
- Have you seen our website lately? Take a look at the new layout and let us know what you think!

Wirksworth Wonders: *CE:* Ash: Keira, Sophia and Polly for making and packing a suitcase for a beach holiday, making a list of items and writing a really good WOW sentence; *Beech:* Joe for thoughtful questions about pirates, Isaac for his super predictions in our science floating and sinking experiments, and Ferren for great labelling of his pirate ship; *Sycamore:* Orla for writing a wonderfully thoughtful prayer of forgiveness, Harriet for thinking of some great pirate questions, and Mark for super understanding of doubling.

At WI: *Oak:* Kitten and Freddie for their excellent independent writing and super sentences about what they'd take to the beach, and Jimmy for working hard in maths on one more and one less than. *Hawthorn:* Tyler and Shannon each for helping a friend with their work counting in 2s, Peter for independent work on x2s, and well done William for achieving 10/10 in mental maths. ☺

Sports day & Healthy Living Day

We're having a double focus on healthy living and moving for health next week: *Sports Morning* on Monday from 9.30am on AGS playing field (don't forget your coloured team t-shirt), followed by our annual *Healthy Living Day* in school on Weds. All children will take part in a range of activities to raise awareness of the importance of putting the right things into our bodies to keep them working properly through our whole life, and the importance of keeping our muscles and joints working through physical activity. Mrs Marriott has designed an exciting orienteering course, so we're hoping for a bit more dry weather!

Next week (ending 16 June):

Mon 12: No Swimming. **Federation Sports Day!** Please read the letter Mrs Marriott sent home this week & do your best to find a T-shirt in your child's team colour. Remember to send water bottles and a sun hat! Team-based competitive & non-competitive activities are planned so come along to AGS field from 9.30am and support the games if you can.

• 6pm meeting for parent/carers of Y2 children at WJS about moving on to junior school.

Tues 13: WI Y1&Y2 swimming.

• **Carnival of the Animals**—dance theatre show for children 6.30pm—see separate flier for details.

Weds 14: Healthy Living Day—see box below

After school club: Tennis at WCE

• **Tunnels & Trails** 2.5km fun run—see separate flier

Thurs 15: Transition event: Y2 parents—please take your child to WJS playground for 8.55am. They will be walked back to their infant school for lunch.

• 9.30-10.15am new Reception children join us with their parents/carers for a short session.

• *After school:* Gardening club

Fri 16: Celebration Assembly both schools 9.10am

• Please use your pink form to vote in our **Parent Governor** election—closing date Fri 16 June.

Further ahead...

Mon 26: Federation trip—Yorkshire Wildlife Park. Pls return your payment by 16 June. *Remember:* your child will need a backpack to carry their own stuff.

Mon 3 Jul: PTFA disco after school—details soon.

W/c 3 & 10 July: Pirate Parties—in each class on different days from 2.45pm. **Invitations coming soon!**

Mon 10: Y2 Leavers' performance at AGS 2.30pm

Tues 18: WCWA presentation, St Mary's 2pm

Fri 21 July: 3.30pm School closes.

Every Day Counts: Class attendance from Fri 26 May to Thurs 8 June: *Beech:* 96.1%, *Sycamore:* 97.0%, *Ash:* 96.0%, *Oak:* 94.4%, *Hawthorn:* 91.9%. Well done **SYCAMORE class**—Top Attenders.

Teeth health: New reports this week highlight low numbers of children visiting the dentist, so it seems a perfect time to remind you that a child should have their first dental check before their first birthday and then a check up every six months. Checks are FREE and ESSENTIAL for children's long term health. Please support daily teeth brushing at home.

OVO Women's Tour cycle race Sat 10 Jun Coming down Wash Green, along North End and up Middleton Road approx 11am—come and cheer them on. Children have come home with either a flag or noise maker!



Term Dates and Inset Days

2017-18

Derbyshire school term dates for future years can be found on our school website and at www.Derbyshire.gov.uk

	School opens	School closes
Autumn Term 1 * <i>School closed for INSET DAYS: Mon 4 Sept and Fri 20 October</i>	Tues 5 Sept	Thurs 19 October
Autumn Term 2	Mon 30 October	Tues 19 December
Spring Term 1 <i>School closed for INSET DAYS: Tues 2 and Weds 3 January</i>	Thurs 4 January	Fri 16 February
Spring Term 2	Tues 26 February	Fri 23 March
Summer Term 1 <i>School closed for Bank Holiday: Mon 7 May</i>	Mon 9 April	Fri 25 May
Summer Term 2 <i>School closed for INSET DAY: Mon 4 June</i>	Tues 5 June	Fri 20 July
<p>* NB: New Reception children start Autumn term 1 with four half-days from Tues 5 September until Fri 8 September.</p>		