



# Newsletter

## April 2018

Welcome back after the Easter break. We are looking forward to many exciting activities and events in the summer term!

### **NSPCC Parent Workshop – Online Safety** **18<sup>th</sup> April 2.15pm**

As mentioned in a previous newsletter, the NSPCC will deliver their 'Speak Out, Stay Safe' programme during assemblies this Wednesday (18<sup>th</sup> April), to help children understand how to keep safe.

After the assemblies, NSPCC and O2 will run an hour-long interactive workshop for parents and carers, with tips, tools and advice on how to keep your child safe online. We strongly recommend that you attend if possible, as valuable information and guidance about your child's ever changing online world will be shared, with advice on where to go for help and further information.

If you are able to attend, please return the attached form to confirm, as we need minimum numbers to go ahead.



### **Non-Uniform Day – 4<sup>th</sup> May**

For Non-Uniform Day in May, we are asking everyone to **wear something GREEN**. This is to show support for the NSPCC, who are working with us this term. All money raised from Non-Uniform Day in May will go to the NSPCC.

It's Year 1's turn to provide cakes and we very much appreciate your kind donations.

### **Year 5 & 6 Careers Afternoon**

We are holding a Careers afternoon on **Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May** for children in Years 5 and 6, following the success of last year. It's a fabulous opportunity for our children to find out about different occupations and careers. As well as inspiring them, the afternoon also helps children to understand the various routes into occupations. This year, we are pleased to share the event with St Bede's RCVA Primary, who will be joining us.

**If any parents or carers could spare 2 hours on 22<sup>nd</sup> May, to talk to children about their job, please do get in touch! We would very much appreciate it.**





## Enrichment Week – Week beginning 21<sup>st</sup> May

We are looking forward to Enrichment Week, where we have lots of exciting activities planned. The week will run as follows:

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May – Harmony Day** (Focus on art and music)



**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Careers afternoon for Years 5 and 6**

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May – STEAM Day** (Focus on Science, Technology and Maths)

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May – Sports Day** (Fingers crossed for good weather!!)

As last year, we would like to warmly welcome parents to pop in and see us on Harmony Day and STEAM Day. More information will be sent closer to the time so that parents can choose a slot.

Parents and carers are once again invited to join us at Sports Day, which is always very popular!



## Easter Egg Decorating

It was lovely to see so many families during our Easter Egg Decorating afternoon – thank you so much for your support. All the children thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon, both in the hall and in the classrooms. As always, we were amazed with the fantastic results! The eggs were judged and prizes were awarded on the last day of term.



## Attendance

I was delighted to award a huge number of attendance certificates before Easter. Children received Bronze certificates for between 96-98%; Silver certificates for 98.1-99.9% and Gold certificates for 100%. Congratulations to everyone who received a certificate! Thanks also to parents and carers for supporting your child/children's excellent attendance.

Current class attendance is as follows:

	% Attendance	Number of children with 100%
Reception	96.5%	5
Year 1	95.4%	1
Year 2	98.7%	11
Year 3	96.8%	2
Year 4	96.5%	4
Year 5	97.8%	4
Year 6	94.3%	2

As you can see, 5 of our classes are over 96%, which is our school target. Well done! Attendance in Year 2 continues to be exceptional at 98.7%, with 11 children at 100%. This is fantastic, Year 2!

## Dates for your diary

(Whilst we try our best not to make changes to dates, there may be times when this is unavoidable. We would always try to give parents as much notice of this as possible. More dates will be added as we go through the year)

Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> April	NSPCC Assemblies for children
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> April 2.15pm	NSPCC & O2 - Parents Online Safety Session
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> April am	Intra School Sports Event (SSP)
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> April 2.30pm	Year 3 Parents invited to Celebration Assembly
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	Non-Uniform day (Wear something green for NSPCC) Year 1 cake sales
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5 and Year 6 NSPCC workshops
<b>Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>BANK HOLIDAY</b>
During May	Year 2 SATs
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> May 2.30pm	Year 5 Parents invited to Celebration Assembly
<b>Week beginning 14<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Y6 SATs Week</b>
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Y3/4 Cricket Competition – Witton Gilbert
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Y2 Multiskills festival – Brandon
Week beginning 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Enrichment Week Harmony Day – Mon 21 <sup>st</sup> Careers Afternoon Y5/6 – Tues 22 <sup>nd</sup> STEAM Day – Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup> Sports Day – Fri 25 <sup>th</sup>
Option 1 - Wednesday Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> May Option 2 - Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day (Weather dependent)
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Break up for half term
<b>25<sup>th</sup> May – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2018</b>	<b>HALF TERM</b>
Week beginning 11 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Phonics Check
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Parents invited to Celebration Assembly
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Reception Parents invited to Celebration Assembly
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Non-Uniform Day and Reception cake sales
<b>Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2.00pm and 5.30pm (new date)</b>	KS2 Performance
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> July 10.00am	
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Y1 Multiskills Festival – Brandon
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5/6 Athletics competition (all day) at Brandon
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Transition Day – all classes move up and spend the day with their new teacher in their new classroom
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2.30pm	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly – Y6 Parents invited
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Break for summer holidays!!
<b>20<sup>th</sup> July – Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2018</b>	<b>SUMMER HOLIDAYS</b>

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## NSPCC Parent Workshop – Online Safety 18<sup>th</sup> April 2.15pm

I/We are able to attend the NSPCC Parent Workshop on 18<sup>th</sup> April at 2.15pm.

Name of child: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of seats: \_\_\_\_\_

## School holidays 2017-2018

Please note that schools are required to allocate staff training days individually therefore holiday start and end dates may not always match those of other schools.

<b>Holiday</b>	<b>Closing date</b>	<b>Date re-open for teaching purposes</b>
May Day	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2018
Summer half term	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> June 2018
Summer holidays	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2018	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2018

## School holidays 2018-2019

<b>Holiday</b>	<b>Closing date</b>	<b>Date re-open for teaching purposes</b>
Summer holidays	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2018	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2018
October half term	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> October 2018	Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> October 2018
Staff training Day	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November 2018	Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> November 2018
Christmas holidays	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> December 2018	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2019
Spring half term	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> February 2019	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> February 2019
Easter holidays	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> April 2019	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2019
May Bank Holiday	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2019	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> May 2019
Summer half term	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2019	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> June 2019
Summer holidays	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	To be confirmed