

18 May 2018

WEEKLY UPDATE

This week: All the children have taken part in some wonderful activities during our **Healthy Living Days**, including maypole dancing, yoga exercises, making healthy sandwiches and planting fruit and vegetables in our garden areas. Thank you to Mrs Marriott for organising the timetable.

- Winners of our **5-Day Walking Challenge Prize** are Oak class and Sycamore class (calculations made proportionately to numbers in classes), and both classes received ice-lolly rewards.
- To mark the Royal Wedding this weekend, we enjoyed a special, 'street party' style lunch together.
- PCSO Pat presented **Wirksworth Community Wonder Award** stickers for **Road Safety**. The final part—**Achievements**—will be presented on 6 July. Catch up with any sections you've missed then, too.
- **Governor News:** We welcome two new Governors to the team, Lisa Walker (parent governor) and Charlotte Rapkin (co-opted). The full list of Governors and their committee responsibilities is on the Governors page of our website.
- **Good luck to Miss Brooks** who's been training hard to take part in the Liverpool Half Marathon on Sunday. If you'd like to sponsor her, she is raising money in support of the Air Ambulance Service.
- **Litter Picking**—join the Wirksworth Clean Streets campaign this Sunday for a pre-Carnival spruce up. Meet 4pm on Church Walk behind the Town Hall.

Maypole and Well Dressing celebrations

We'll be 'dressing down' again for the last day of this term (Fri 25). Please come in bright clothing and send a £1 donation for school funds if you can.

Please join us at 2pm on Fri 25 May in CE school playground for a celebration of traditional Maypole dancing. All the children have been learning dances this term with Claire Butler of Maypole Movers—we've had a great time—please come and watch and share your memories of dancing at school.

There will be a **PTFA cake stall**, so bring a few coins along with you. If you can make, bake or donate biscuits, buns or cakes, please send them in to school on Friday morning. The more colourful the better!

Our **well dressing** will be on display in St Mary's churchyard this year, where our Maypole Dancers will be performing at about midday on Sat 26th.

Please speak to your teacher if you can help in school with petalling or can spare any time on Sat/Sun to sit 'on the well'. No experience necessary!

Next week: (ending 18 May)

21-25 May: Well Dressing week. We've some lovely well dressing designs linked to our Maypole project and our core value of **Creativity**. Please speak to your teacher if you can come in and help.

Note: There are no after school clubs this week (including no French Club). Please return your form and payment to book places for next term.

Mon 21: Beech class swimming

Tues 22: Toy Library Stay&Play—9.30-11.30am WI.

Fri 25: Maypole celebration afternoon—please see box below. No Celebration Assembly today.

28 May—1 Jun: Half term break

Further ahead: (further details will follow...)

Mon 4 June: INSET day—school closed to pupils

Next year's term dates and INSET days are printed overleaf. See our website for all our summer events.

Wirksworth Primary Partnership Family Walk Day, Sun 20 May. Thanks to all who have booked for this. Meet between 10.30 and 11am. Drive up through Birchover village to the top of the hill, follow the road left then round right hand bend to car park opposite Birchover Stone quarry buildings. Mrs Poyser will be waiting with your goody bag and walk guide.

Leaflets: We are often asked to send home leaflets advertising holiday clubs and activities. We must stress that we are not endorsing these groups and have not carried out checks on the providers. They are simply sources of information about local provision available to parents and carers. There's so much going on round and about, we hope you can make use of some of the pointers. See your new **Community Fayre** paper for even more local information!

A new app is available to provide advice and support to parents, carers and healthcare professionals looking after children with common childhood illnesses.

The **HANDi app** has been developed by paediatric consultants and will give you access to home care plans, as well as GP and hospital clinical guidelines, to help you provide the best support for your child and give you confidence in caring for them when they are unwell. The app describes care plans and guidance for the most common childhood health concerns, including abdominal pain, chestiness, diarrhoea and vomiting, high temperature, and problems with newborns.

Download the **FREE HANDi App** from your regular App Store.



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Term Dates and Inset Days 2018-19



	School opens	School closes
Autumn Term 1 * <i>School closed for INSET DAYS: Mon 3 Sept and Fri 12 October</i>	Tues 4 Sept	Fri 26 October
Autumn Term 2	Mon 5 November	Fri 21 December
Spring Term 1 <i>School closed for INSET DAY: Mon 7 January</i>	Tues 8 January	Fri 15 February
Spring Term 2 <i>School closed for INSET DAY: Mon 18 March</i>	Mon 25 February	Fri 12 April
Summer Term 1 <i>School closed for Bank Holiday: Mon 6 May</i>	Mon 29 April	Fri 24 May
Summer Term 2 <i>School closed for INSET DAY: Mon 22 July</i>	Mon 3 June	Fri 19 July
<p>* NB: New Reception children start Autumn term 1 with four half-days from Tues 4 September until Fri 7 September.</p>		

- Further school events are listed on our website calendar at www.wirksworth-infant-federation.co.uk.
- Derbyshire school term dates for future years can be found at www.Derbyshire.gov.uk