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# GREAT PRESTON CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## Weekly Newsletter 29<sup>th</sup> June 2018

Dear parents and carers,

What a wonderful week we've all had! The beautiful sunshine has ensured an enjoyable week of exciting events for the whole school.

Our Year 6s spent three days at Brigshaw this week, finding out what life is like at high school as they took part in the 'Virtual Middle School' experience. Although we missed seeing them around school, Ms Taylor was extremely proud of the way they conducted themselves at Brigshaw and hopefully they're all feeling a little more confident about making the transition to high school in September.

On Wednesday, Year 1 visited Filey for the day. I was lucky enough to join them and this time it was Mrs Batty's turn to feel proud as members of the public approached our group to comment on the children's excellent behaviour. We enjoyed ice cream, kite flying, paddling and a visit to the RNLI all in one day. What a fantastic experience for all the children and thank you to Mrs Batty and Miss Lyndon-Hogg for organising the trip and carrying out the risk assessments (Mrs Batty even went to the trouble of trying out the ice creams on her weekend visit to ensure they were good value for money!)

I hope you're all able to get out and enjoy the great weather over the weekend

Yours in learning,  
Mrs Katie Pashley

### PTA Meeting

Our final PTA meeting of the year ahead of the summer fayre, is scheduled for Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July at 2pm. Even if you've never been before, you are very welcome to join us- the more the merrier as there's still plenty to do!



### PTA Fundraising

We would like to make parents aware that the funds raised by the PTA over the past few months and from the summer fayre also are going to be used towards the cost of new furniture for lunchtimes. During our tasting event next week, images of the proposed hall set up for lunchtimes next year will be shared. Please come along if you are able to make it. For those of you who are unable to make the event, we'll also share the images in future newsletters.



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## Hot Weather

As the hot weather is set to continue, please make sure your children have plenty of high factor sun cream applied before school and that they also have a sunhat and water bottle with them. Thank you

## Tasting Event!

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 3:15pm in the Dining Hall



To celebrate the launch of our new school lunch menu for September, we would like to invite parents/ carers and children to a tasting event.

We hope that you will join us after school, to sample some of the tasty, wholesome meals that are on offer from September.

You should also have received a letter inviting all children to enjoy a seaside picnic of fish and chips on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July. Please complete and return your form as soon as possible.

## Sports Day Fun

A huge thank you to you all for joining us for our Key Stage 1 and 2 sports days today. Miss Lyndon-Hogg organised everything to perfection as always and a great time was had by all. Here a few photographs of the day for those of you who were unable to make it...





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## Mrs Gilchrist

Special thanks to Mrs Gilchrist who has been taking care of our Nursery children for the past 10 weeks. We welcome Mrs Wilson back from her maternity leave on Monday.

## Fruit at Playtimes



Children are allowed to bring a piece of fruit or veg for their playtime snack each day. Please remember that Year 6 children do run a tuck shop each morning playtime, offering fruit at just 10p per serving. This open to all children although children in Early Years and Key Stage 1 are provided with a free piece of fruit or veg every playtime.

## Brass & Guitar Tuition Opportunity



As from September, we have space in both our brass (trumpet) and guitar tuition groups. School heavily subsidise the cost of tuition although we do ask for a small contribution of £5 per term (£15 per year) to ensure this opportunity can continue to be offered. If your child is interested in learning to play the trumpet or the guitar, please contact the school office for further details.

## Attendance and Punctuality

We currently have some children in school with very poor attendance and this is very likely to negatively impact their academic achievements longer term. If you do choose to take your child out of school during term time, please remember to contact the school office for a form ahead of the holiday.

School closes on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2018 and you may still find some reasonably priced holidays after this date due to many schools not closing until the following week.

Please be aware also that children who are registered after 9am must be marked as 'late' on the school register. Children arriving late miss valuable learning time and long term this can be hugely detrimental to their progress.

## Important Dates

Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Reception trip to Lotherton Hall
Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 visit Brigshaw for Murderous Maths!
Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Production 9.15am and 4.30pm
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Reports sent home to parents and carers
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Final PTA meeting ahead of summer fayre 2pm
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Brigshaw Transition Day Great Preston Transition day
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Service at Wakefield Cathedral 1.30 – 2.30pm
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer fayre from 3.15pm
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Thankfulness service for Nursery & Reception 2pm – parents and carers very welcome
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Celebration 5.30-7pm
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> July	9.30 am Leavers Service at Allerton Bywater Church – EVERYONE WELCOME School closes for the summer



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