



SUMMER TERM

First Half-term 2017

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HEADLINES

Thank you to all the parents and pupils in Year 6 for their support and hard work over the course of this testing period and the months prior to this. It is always such a stressful and nervous time for our pupils. They have done their best and we can't ask anymore than this. We are extremely proud of the manner in which the whole school conducted themselves. In celebration of completing their tests, the ice-cream van visited them!

Year 2 must also not be forgotten as they have also had their assessments to battle through. Well done, everyone!

Playground Plans

With the help of the School Council, we are gradually working our way towards developments on the three playgrounds – FS, KS1 and KS2. These things take time with getting quotes in and reviewing these to ensure we get the best price for the job.

As ever, one of the hallmarks of our school this half-term has been the wealth of activities to support the curriculum as well as the summative assessments of mainly years 2 and 6. In particular, was one that I hope almost all year 6, who were present, will remember with pleasure, featuring as it did as the highlight of their final year with us – Afternoon Tea at Betty's in York!

As always, at this time of the year, I believe it is important to inform parents of staffing changes that will take effect from September. I am sure you would wish to join me first of all in thanking and paying tribute to the members of staff who are nearing completion of their final term with us. Mrs Isle will be leaving us in July. Miss Field who also leaves in July, has supported us in the interim, covering Miss Stephenson's class whilst she takes her maternity leave. We wish all our leavers well. Unfortunately, at this moment in time I am unable to report to you on any new teachers joining our team. We will be embarking on a second round of a recruitment exercise in June.

Next term sees us going through yet another award assessment – this time it's for the renewal of the Inclusion Quality Mark. Our link with Hull Collegiate continues to develop, with staff invited for some training and networking events.

The Grange Primary School is a marvelous place to work and to be a pupil. All the staff join me in sending you every good wish for some lovely family time over this half-term. Yours sincerely, Mrs Thorpe.

Back to School

PUPILS RETURN TO SCHOOL AT THE USUAL TIME on MONDAY 5th June, 2017. Registration bell sounds at 8.50am.

SPORTS DAYS

Mornings Only

Tuesday, 20th June

Foundation Stage 2 – 9am to 10.30am
Key Stage 1 (Years 1 + 2) – 10.30am to 12pm.

Wednesday, 21st June - Key Stage 2

Years 3 and 4 – 9am to 10.30am

Years 5 and 6 – 10.30am to 12pm

RESERVE DAY will be Thursday, 22nd June.

*Wishing you all
a restful break!*

Attendance this Term

This term we congratulate 6D **again** who gained the highest attendance with 98.38%. Year 1R has the poorest attendance so far this term. Can we continue to promote good attendance, please? Thank you very much.

F2BR - 94.17% ; F2LS - 95.25%
1H - 94.86% ; 1R - 90.12%
2F - 97.04% ; 2G - 96.57%
3K - 97.98% ; 3M - 95.52%
4G - 96.67% ; 4I - 95.36%
5C - 95.63% ; 5T - 87.78%
6FM - 96.99% ; 6D - 98.38%

Overall 95.16% (last term 93.27%) - this is below the national expectation but is improving – thank you!

YEAR 6 TRIP TO BETTY'S TEA ROOMS in York and BOAT RIDE

As a reward for all the hard work in preparation for the Y6 SATs, some of our children were treated to afternoon tea at Betty's in York. In order to attend this trip, the children were required to do all their homework, read five times a week, attend all booster classes and display exemplary behaviour at all times.

When we arrived in York it was raining heavily but even the weather couldn't dampen our spirits! We enjoyed a boat ride down the River Ouse (luckily the boat had a roof!) and marvelled at the sights and sounds of such a magnificent city. Following our cruise, we visited the museum gardens before heading to Betty's for some delicious treats. The children experienced silver service and we were all amazed by the finery and splendour.

We were very proud of our children for their manners and behaviour whilst on this visit. Once again, our children did a wonderful job of representing our school. Well done Y6!

Year 3 Trip to The Transport Museum in York

Year 3 went to Hull Street Life Museum on Thursday 18th May, as a launch to our new topic, 'Gateways to the World'. We enjoyed the whole experience looking at how people travelled over the decades. We got to appreciate a Victorian carriage ride in their simulator, which proved to be the favourite experience for many of us, even though it was very bumpy! We also very much enjoyed our journey there and back as we got to go over the Humber Bridge. As usual, the children did us proud and received comments from the public about their impeccable behaviour and interaction with the displays.

E-Safety





Please look out for the E-Safety after school computer club information. Places will be strictly limited and offered on a first come first served basis. Parents/carers are required to attend the club with their child/children. We will look at topics such as: Is it real? How long do things stay online? Bullying isn't nice, what can I do about it? During the sessions we will use an evidence based age appropriate programme including animated clips and quizzes.

Year 2 Experience

Year 2 were very excited to be part of a 'Draw-along' at the Baths Hall with writer/illustrator Nick Sharratt on Wednesday 26th April. Nick gave us top tips on how to draw his favourite characters as we followed his ideas step by step in our own sketchbooks. He also shared chapters from his new story, "The King and the Cat", which we are currently enjoying reading as our class novel!

REMINDERS!

1. **Bike Shelter** – Permission has not been given by the school for this to be used. It is not secured in place and the location is still in dispute. **For the safety of your bike and most importantly, pupils, you are asked not to use this bike shelter.**
2. Please apply sun cream at home. We encourage pupils to wear sunhats and to have water bottles in school.
3. **Uniform** - Summer uniform for boys is shorts and girls gingham dresses. School footwear is shoes with low heels, **no trainers.** All clothing must be labelled – **the school accepts no responsibility for missing clothing.**
4. SEN-D reviews will be held week beginning 26th June. An appointment letter will be sent out nearer the time.
5. Sleepover at The Deep - Please see photos on Twitter.
6. Yet another reminder that slippers with characters or huge ones are not allowed please. Huge ones in particular pose a Health and Safety hazard. We will replace indoor plimsols if children have grown out of them.

Diary Dates for Summer Term 2 2017			
Children back to School on Monday 5 th June			
DATE	DAY	ACTIVITY	TIMES
JUNE			
9 th	Friday	FS1 Trip to Pink Pig	
Sports Days – kindly note that there will be no seating provided. You are welcome to bring your own. Should you wish to do so, this will be at your own risk.			
20 th	Tuesday	1. FS2 (Reception) 	9 am – 10.30am
		2. KS1 (Y1 and 2) 	10.30am – 12pm
21 st	Wednesday	1. KS2 - Y3 and 4 	9am – 10.30am
		2. KS2 - Y5 and 6 	10.30am – 12pm
22 nd	Thursday	Sports Day – Reserve Day in case of poor weather	
JULY			
Week beginning 10 th July	✓ Parents Meeting to discuss the reports ✓ SEN-D Reviews – Invitation only		
Week beginning 10 th July to Thursday 20 th July	Transition weeks for pupils to work with next teacher for 2017/18 – not all teachers will be available as some may be coming to us from other settings. Where new teachers are not available, alternative provision will be made for the pupils to work with another teacher. 21 st July with 2016/17 teacher.		
21 st	Friday	FS1 Spotty Party	
School closes for the term on Friday, 21st July at 2pm			
Children return to school on TUESDAY, 5th September			

DATES to note for the Academic Year 2017/18			
Date	Day	Activity	
4 th September	Monday	Staff INSET Day	Autumn Term 2017
5 th September	Tuesday	Pupils back to school	
20th October	Friday	Half-term	
30 th October	Monday	Staff INSET Day	
31 st October	Tuesday	Pupils back to school	
19th December	Tuesday	End of term	
2018			
2 nd January	Tuesday	Staff INSET Day	Spring Term 2018
3 rd January	Wednesday	Pupils back to school	
9th February	Friday	Half-term	
19 th February	Monday	Pupils back to school	
28th March	Wednesday	End of term	
29 th March	Thursday	Staff INSET Day	
16 th April	Monday	Pupils back to school	Summer Term 2018
25 th May	Friday	Half-term	
4 th June	Monday	Pupils back to school	
20th July	Friday	End of term	
23 rd July	Monday	Staff INSET Day	