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Newsletter

22 March 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

Key dates

2 April Pupil Parent Teacher Meetings (except Mrs Jodrell's) - 3.30pm to 7.00pm

4 April Pupil Parent Teacher Meetings (except Mrs Jodrell's) - 3.30pm to 6.00pm

1 July Inset Day

5 April School closes for Easter

23 April School reopens after Easter holiday

Merit Certificates

The Achievement Assembly did not take place today, due to class photographs being taken. It will take place on Monday 25 March, when the following achievers' certificates will be given out:

This week's focus: TEAMWORK			
Next week's focus 'Honesty'			
CLASS	NAME	REASON	
Y1W	Kai S	Helping his peers during lessons	
Y1/2	George C	Always going above and beyond, showing great attitude and being a fantastic team player	
Y2S	Ally A	Fantastic teamwork in class and always making sure everyone is involved	
Y3/4H	William M	Working well in a team and helping his peers to succeed	
Y3T	Dylan W	Being a fantastic team player and supporting peers	
Y4Mc	Veronica G	Always seeking to support and build up her peers	
Y5Fr	Harvey N	Being an excellent Year 5 team member	
Y5/6F	Calvin S	Being a great team player and supporting others	
Y5/6J	Joey B-E	Always coaching others when working in a team	

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Pupil Parent Teacher Meetings

As you are aware, Pupil Parent Teacher Meetings (for all classes, except Mrs Jodrell's class and Nursery) are to take place on Tuesday 2 April and Thursday 4 April. If you have not yet made a booking, please do so via the link that was recently sent to you by email and text. Alternatively, you can book an available timeslot by contacting the school office. Thank you.

Class Assemblies

Please see below, details of assemblies up to the Easter holiday:

Wednesday	27 March	Mrs Franks

Mrs Jodrell-Gregson

Today (22 March) was the last day in school for Mrs Jodrell and from tomorrow, she will be taking maternity leave. We wish her well and look forward to receiving good news from her very soon! During her absence, Mrs Axup will be teaching Mrs Jodrell's class.

Class Photographs

The children have been having their photographs taken in their class sets. As you can appreciate, it has been a really busy day in school but, as always, the children behaved really well. Parents/carers will be notified when the photographs arrive in school.

Benchball Tournament

This week, a team of Year3 and Year 4 children took part in a Benchball Tournament. The children represented Orchard Head magnificently and finished third overall – Well done!

Sport Camp

Miss Reynolds and Mr Westerman, from Premier Sport, came in to school to deliver an assembly to inform pupils about an exciting Sport Camp, which will take place during week beginning 8 April, at The Glasshoughton Centre in Castleford.

Your child will have received a leaflet, giving all the information on how to book them a place in Sport Camp, should they wish to attend over the Easter break.

Open Classroom sessions after the Easter holiday

For the first few weeks after the Easter break, there will be no class assembly. Instead, we will be having 'Open Classroom' sessions, when parents/carers can join their child in class.

The dates are as follows:

DAY	DATE	OPEN CLASSROOM
Wednesday	1 May	Year 1 & Year 2 pupils
Wednesday	8 May	Year 3 & Year 4 pupils
Wednesday	15 May	No sessions
Wednesday	22 May	Year 5 & Year 6 pupils

Class Assemblies - June 2019 onwards

In June, we resume class assemblies, as follows:

DAY	DATE	ASSEMBLY
Wednesday	5 June	Mr Field's class
Wednesday	12 June	Mrs Jodrell's class
Wednesday	19 June	Mr Ward's class
Wednesday	26 June	Miss Tokil's class
Wednesday	3 July	Mrs Franks' class

Reminder: PE Kit/Revised PE Timetable

Just a reminder to parents/carers of the revised PE timetable:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Y2S	Y1/2	Y1W	Y3/4H	Y5/6J
Y5Fr	Y4Mc	UFS	Y3T	Y5/6F
Y5/6J	Y1W	Y5Fr	Y1/2	Y4Mc
Y5/6F	Y2S	Y3T	UFS	Y3/4H

Weekly Attendance

Please see this week's attendance in the table below:

Class	Attendance %
Nursery am	99.36
Nursery pm	94.83
UFSLC	92.61
UFSR	94.55
Y1W	97.67
Y1/2B	98.67
Y2S	98.67
Y3T	94.14
Y3/4HL	100.00
Y4McA	93.88
Y5Fr	94.33
Y5/6F	98.39
Y5/6J	98.21
Whole School	96.70

Yours sincerely

Mr J Mitchell Head of School