Thursday 24 May 2018

Dear Parents and Carers

As we come to the end of another half term, it feels like summer is finally upon us. We close for the half term break on Friday 25 May and I hope you all manage to find some time to relax over the Bank holiday weekend. We **reopen at 8:50am on Tuesday 5 June 2018** as school is closed on Monday 4 June for our final staff development day of the year. Please find key dates for the remainder of the summer term at the end of the newsletter.

**Attendance**

Our attendance for the school year so far is 97.23%. This is great and is just above our target of 97%. But let’s see if we can get it nearer 98%! A big thank you to all those who ensure the children are arriving punctually too. This means the children are able to begin their learning promptly.

**GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation)**

You will have received an envelope containing a letter about GDPR and a student update form. The GDPR is a piece of EU-wide legislation which will determine how people’s personal data is processed and kept safe and the legal rights individuals have in relation to their own data. It is replacing the Data Protection Act (DPA) 1998 and will come into effect on 25 May 2018.

All schools have been advised to inform parents and carers about the new rules and guidelines governing data held on students. Schools have an obligation to be transparent about how personal data is collected, processed and stored. The most common way to provide this information is by the use of a privacy notice. Our privacy notice sets out how Curbar Primary School operates within the legal requirements and legitimate interests set out in the GDPR and UK law.

**What we would like you to do:**

* Please complete the consent form at the end of the privacy notice. This details where pupil and parent information is stored and requests your consent. Please note that consent for the collection and storage of some data is overridden by the necessity of safeguarding and other key school functions.
* Please complete the ‘School Consent and Information Form’ 2018.
* Please check and complete the Student Update Forms where appropriate.

Please return to the school office by **Tuesday 5th June 2018** at the latest.

**Parent Pay**

If you have not yet signed up to Parent Pay, we would encourage you to do so. You received a letter before the Easter break about how to set up and access your ParentPay account – a secure online payment service for schools and families. We anticipate that all payments in future can be paid through ParentPay which will be convenient and quick – this will include dinner money and payment for trips. If you have any questions about the system, please contact Mrs Rumney in the school office.

**Dinner money**

For parents who pay for school dinners, please ensure that you activate the ParentPay account and pay for school meals in advance and stay in credit. Please see the School Dinner Money policy on the school’s website for further information.

**Toys**

Unless explicitly requested, we ask that children do not bring toys/games into school but enjoy them at home.

**Curbar Primary School PTFA and 623 Community Muck In**

Thanks to all those who attended the recent muck in day at school. Our main focus for the day was to tidy, sand and paint the recently renovated pergola. As the rain began to set in at about 5:30pm, a determined bunch of volunteers finally finished for the day. Mission accomplished and many thanks for your support.

**Curbar Art Show**

A very big thank you to everyone who organised and supported The Curbar Art Show on 5 and 6 of May. We are delighted to announce the show raised over £3000 towards the refit of the old office. We are looking to convert the space into a library/information hub where all our children can open a book, research a topic or embark on voyages of the imagination. The event also saw the official opening of the refurbished pergola – the PTFA’s last fundraising project. Pupils in Y5 and 6 at the school and last year’s leavers helped with the children’s craft activities and waited-on in the café. PTFA members volunteered as gallery curators, chefs, greeters, crafters and cleaners - giving up their time to make this event happen and bring colour, beauty and creativity together all in the fabulous sunshine. Thank you everyone!

**Awards Assembly**

Well done to all those children who received awards during our half termly awards assembly on Thursday. Expect children to come home clutching bronze or silver behaviour certificates, house point certificates for great learning and attendance awards for 100% attendance and being on time!

**Year 2 and Year 6 SATs**

Well done to all of our children in Year 2 and Year 6 who worked hard during SATs week. We are all very proud of you!

**Early Bird**

Well done to Olivia.in class 3 who won this week’s Early Bird. Remember, the Early Bird catches the worm.

**Assembly themes**

To support the spiritual, moral, social and cultural awareness of children, we follow assembly themes introduced by myself every Monday assembly. Each theme lasts two weeks and is the basis of behaviour for learning across school for that time. The weekly citizenship awards are also based on the assembly themes. For your information, the themes the next half term are: gratitude, self-discipline and honesty.

**‘Oink!’**

This year’s whole school summer performance of ‘Oink’ will take place at the Village Hall on Thursday 12 July 2018 at 2 and 6pm. Tickets, costing £1, will be made available in advance after half term.

**Sports Day**

Sports Day will take place on the MUGA on Friday 13th July. Reception and KS1 events will take place from 1:15 - 2:15pm and KS2 events will take place from 2:30 – 3:30pm. Fingers crossed for good weather!

**Lunchtime Volunteers/Relief work**

We are once again requesting volunteers to help with lunchtime supervision on the playground so school staff can take children to use the MUGA and pergola more regularly. Alternatively, a more formal arrangement can be made and we are happy to pay for lunchtime relief work (working on a ‘when you can’ basis). Please let the school office know if you are interested.

**Uniform Reminder**

We feel that our school uniform makes the children look very smart and enables them to feel part of the team. We ask that *if* children wear leggings or tights, they are a grey or navy so that they match the rest of the uniform. We would also like the children to wear the school jumpers/cardigans in school and school shoes (trainers are for PE and sport). Thank you for your support.

**All Saints Church 150th Anniversary**

All Saints Church Curbar is celebrating its 150th anniversary on Sunday 27th May at 10.30 am. The Bishop of Derby will be taking the service and all are welcome to attend.

Kind regards

Simon Beahan, Headteacher

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| Half Term Holiday – Monday 28 May – Monday 4 June 2018 | |
| Half Term 6 (35 days) | |
| Monday 4 June 2018 | Whole School Training Day – School closed to pupils |
| Tuesday 5 June 2018 | Start of half term – School Open to pupils at 8:50am  Swimming resumes (weekly) |
| Thursday 7 June 2018 | Class 3 Cluster Sport Kwik Cricket Competition and Fun Festival – Stanton in the Peak Cricket Ground – 12:30 – 3:30pm  New reception children in school 10:30-12:00pm |
| Friday 8 June 2018 | Weekly Shine Award Assemblies resume (each Friday at 9:10am)  Extra Time After School Club (weekly) – 3:15pm |
| Monday 11 June 2018 | Year 1 Phonic Screening Check Week  Extra Time After School Club (weekly) – 3:15pm  New reception children in school 8:50-10:30am  Standards and Curriculum Governing Body Meeting at 6:30pm  PTFA meeting Derwentwater Arms 8pm |
| Monday 18 June 2018 | Class 3 Residential to Stratford (one night) |
| Thursday 21 June 2018 | Class 1 Cluster Cricket Skills event – Longstone Primary |
| Friday 22 June 2018 | Class 3 Greenaway Writing Day at LMS – am only  New reception children in school 9:15 - 12 |
| Monday 25 June 2018 | Year 6 transition ‘Taster’ to LMS – all day – TBC |
| Tuesday 26 June 2018 | New reception children in school (Teddy Bear’s picnic) 2 - 3 |
| Friday 29 June 2018 | Year 6 transition ‘Taster’ to LMS – all day – TBC |
| Monday 2 July 2018 | Resource Management Governor Meeting at 6:30pm |
| Wednesday 4 July 2018 | Year 6 transition ‘Taster’ to LMS – all day  Whole School Transition Day  New reception children in school 11:50 – 2:30pm |
| Friday 6 July 2018 | New reception children in school 8:50 – 10:40pm |
| Tuesday 10 July 2018 | KS2 SATs results published  Assembly at All Saints – 1:05pm – All Welcome  Standards and Curriculum Governors Meeting at 6:00pm |
| Wednesday 11 July 2018 | Y6 Junior Literacy Quiz at LMS  School reports to go home |
| Thursday 12 July 2018 | Performance of ‘Oink’ at The Village Hall – 2 and 6pm |
| Friday 13 July 2018 | Reception and KS1 Sports Day on the MUGA – 1:15 – 2:15pm  KS2 Sports Day on the MUGA - 2:30 – 3:30pm |
| Monday 16 July 2018 | Parents Evening 3:30pm – 5:00pm (Drop in – no appointment required)  Full Governing Body Meeting at 7pm |
| Tuesday 17 July 2018 | Sports Leaders Treat – details TBC |
| Wednesday 18 July 2018 | Citizenship of the term assembly  Award Assembly in school  House winner treat at Cliff College Sports Field |
| Thursday 19 July 2018 | Leavers Assembly – 9:15am  Y6 Leavers Treat – Details TBC |
| Friday 20 July 2018 | School closes for summer holiday |
| Summer Holidays – Monday 23 July 2018 – Friday 31 August 2018 | |
| Monday 3 September 2018 | Whole School Training Day – School closed to pupils |
| Tuesday 4 September 2018 | Start of Autumn Term – School Open to pupils at 8:50am |

Please note: this diary is subject to amendments

**Derbyshire Term Dates 2018/19**

* 3 September 2018 to 26 October 2018 (40 days)
* 5 November 2018 to 21 December 2018 (35 days)
* 7 January 2019 to 15 February 2019 (30 days)
* 25 February 2019 to 12 April 2019 (35 days)
* 29 April 2019 to 24 May 2019 (19 days)
* 3 June 2019 to 22 July 2019 (36 days)

**Provisional Whole School Closure Days (INSET) for staff training – 2018/19**

Monday 3 September 2018

Monday 5 November 2018

Monday 3 June 2019

Monday 22 July 2019

Please note that we are awaiting to confirm one other Whole School Closure Day (INSET) for 2018/19