

**Headteacher Update**

**Friday 10th May 2024**

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you all enjoyed the long weekend and the sunshine that came with it. It has been lovely to see the children outside, enjoying the warmer temperatures this week.

**Sun Safety**

As we move towards the summer and more warm, sunny days please ensure the children have everything they need to keep them safe. Please apply sun cream before children come to school – ‘once a day’ sun creams will last all day – and send in sun hats/ caps for them to wear for extra protection. It is important that children keep hydrated throughout the day, so please make sure they bring full water bottles each morning which they will be able to re-fill throughout the day.

**Year 6 SATs**

Next week our Year 6 children will take their SATs tests. They have worked incredibly hard this year and we know they will give their best in each test, and that is all we can ask. These are statutory tests which the government requires children to take. Rest assured, we don’t need test results to show us how much the children have achieved and how far they have come since they started school! We are proud of each and every one of them for the fantastic individuals they have become.

**School Uniform**

May we remind parents of Year 6 pupils that their hoodies should be worn with the correct school uniform and not leggings, cycling shorts or trainers, unless they have a sports club after school.

Additionally, a number of children are wearing Converse shoes with their PE kits. These are not appropriate for PE as they have very little grip. All children require proper trainers for PE to prevent them slipping on the grass or playground. The PE uniform also requires **plain** joggers/ cycling shorts or leggings Thank you for your co-operation.

**Old Uniform Stock**

As you know we have recently updated our school logo, which can be seen on school correspondence and our new website. Northwich Schoolwear will continue to sell uniform which carries our old logo until the end of May. From June any uniform purchased from our supplier will carry the new logo.

However, we do not expect parents to purchase uniform with the new logo until children have grown out of the items they are currently wearing. We are more than happy to run both logos for the foreseeable future!

Northwich Schoolwear has a large amount of old logo stock which they will be donating to school, at the end of May, and we would like as many of you to benefit from this as possible. We aim to sell items at much reduced cost. Once we have received the stock, we will list items and sizes available and hold an after school uniform event where parents may come along and purchase (very cheap) brand new items ready for September. Please look out for more information in the coming weeks.

**Sports Day**

Please note that our Sports Day event will be held during the afternoon of Wednesday 12th June, weather permitting! The event will begin around 1.30pm and will finish at the end of the school day.

**Attendance**

We have two winners for our class attendance competition this week… well done to Reception Class and Year 1 who both won with 97%. Stars of the day from both classes spun the wheel of fortune and they won sweet treats, which the children have received this afternoon.

Attendance this week:

Reception – 97%

Year 1 – 97%

Year 2 – 90%

Year 3 – 86%

Year 4 – 91%

Year 5 – 95%

Year 6 - 96%

***Currently attendance for the whole school is 93.7%***

**Dates for your diaries:**

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| **Event** | **Date** | **Time** | **Classes involved** |
| Year 6 SATS week | Mon 13th May – Fri 17th May | Every day | Year 6 |
| Break up for half term | Friday 24th May | 3.15pm | All classes |
| Return to school | Monday 3rd June  | 8.30am | All classes |
| Sports Day | Wednesday 12th June | 1.30pm | All classes |

Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Kind regards,

Mrs Harrison and Mrs Guy