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# Grindleford Primary School Newsletter

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## Summer Term 2

### ***Special Events and Dates:***

#### **Dates: -**

#### **Tuesday 5th July—**

- New Reception Starters all day
- Class 3 Tag Rugby Tournament

#### **Wednesday 6th July—**

- PTA meeting 7.30pm, Sir William Hotel

#### **Thursday 7th July—**

- Y6 HVC New Starters Day

#### **Friday 8th July—**

- Y3,4,5 out for Book and Story Telling Day

#### **Wednesday 13th July—**

- Grindleford Transition Day

#### **Thursday 14th July—**

- Class 2 Rugby MEGA-FEST

#### **Friday 15th July—**

- Class 1 Sports Day at HVC
- Queens Picnic pm

#### **Monday 18th July—**

- KS2 Summer Production

#### **Tuesday 19th July—**

- KS2 Sports Day at EIS, Sheffield
- KS2 Summer Production

#### **Thursday 21st July—**

- Sport's Day pm - Weather permitting



As you can see from the diary dates list, whilst the end of term is almost upon us the next few weeks are incredibly busy. Therefore I thought that I would add some extra information as to what is going on.

#### **Tuesday 5th July—Class 3 Tag Rugby Tournament.**

Class 3 have been working alongside Rick Spencer (formally of Sale Sharks) on their tag-rugby skills and also taking part in the RuggerEds club after school on a Tuesday. All this work will culminate in two teams taking part in a multi-school tournament this afternoon. Watch this space to see how we get on!

#### **Wednesday 6th July—PTA Meeting, Sir William Hotel, 7.30pm**

Everyone is welcome to come along and have a chat. At the last meeting we discussed all the ideas brought forward from parents and pupils. This has resulted in ice pops being bought for the children on hot days (not that we've had many), an archery set to try out and lots of other things. Come and see how the rest of the money is being spent.

#### **Friday 8th July—Tall Tales Story Festival**

All of Years 3, 4 and 5 are going along to Thornbridge Outdoors, along with three other schools, to celebrate all types of writing and story telling. There is a woodland theme and the children will have an opportunity to meet children's author Caryl Hart, illustrator and artist Gina Marsh, theatre group The Babbling Vagabonds and singer-songwriter Julia McInally. They will be taking part in three organised workshops and also be able to explore activities and games within the beautiful outdoor setting.

#### **Thursday 14th July—Class 2 Rugby MEGA-FEST**

Y3 and 4 have been invited to take part in another multi-school event based around tag rugby. This is in partnership with Hope Valley Rugby Club and is aimed at trying to gain some interest in creating a junior squad. (For more information on the development of the squad please see Phil Edge—Heidi/Jesse/Isabelle's granddad). This afternoon event will be learning new skills and playing lots of strange games e.g. Rugby rounders and should be a lot of fun.



# Summer Term 2– *Continued*



## Term Dates: - Continued!

### Friday 22nd July—

- Whole School Trip Out

### Monday 25th July—

- Leaver's Meal

### Tuesday 26th July—

- Leaver's Assembly 9.15am
- Sports Day pm—Reserve Day

- **Monday 5h September—INSET**

- **Tuesday 6th September—INSET**

*Term begins on ....*

*Wednesday 7th September 2016*

## 2016/2017 Academic Year

### Dates

#### INSET DAYS

- Monday 5h September 2016
- Tuesday 6th September 2016
- Tuesday 3rd January 2017
- Monday 24th April 2017—TBC
- Friday 23rd June 2017—TBC

#### Autumn 1

- 5 September 2016—21 October 2016

#### Autumn 2

- 31 October 2016—20 December 2016

#### Spring 3

- 3 January 2017—10 February 2017

#### Spring 4

- 20 February 2017—7 April 2017

#### Summer 5

- 24 April 2017—26 May 2017

#### Summer 6

- 5 June 2017—21 July 2017

## Friday 15th July—KS1 Sports Day at Hope Valley College

This event has been rearranged from Friday 17th June when it was cancelled due to the weather. Hopefully, this one will go ahead! This is a chance for the whole of Class 1 to join up with all the other Primary and Infant schools in the Hope Valley to have a go at different games and activities. It is usually a morning full of fun.

## Friday 15th July—The Queen's Picnic

To celebrate the 90th birthday of the Queen we have decided to have a picnic on the afternoon of the Friday the 15th July. The children will be making scones for everyone to eat and we thought that it would be lovely to invite parents, grandparents and people from the village to come along as well. The children will perform their Tai Chi routines and we may have some musical accompaniment as well. More details to follow, but I hope you can all join us.

## Monday+Tuesday 18th/19th July—KS2 Summer Performance

Both Class 2 and Class 3 have been working extremely hard on their forthcoming summer production of 'Pirates of the Curry bean'. There will be a dress rehearsal on Monday afternoon (18th July) and then an evening performance on both Monday and Tuesday. As you can tell from the diary lists, there are not many days when the whole of KS2 are in school together, so rehearsal time is at a premium. Please help your children learn the song words and their lines! Tickets will be given out nearer to the time, with the usual ticket rules applying of parent tickets to everyone first, then extras given out at a later date.

## Tuesday 19th July—KS2 Sports Day at the English Institute of Sport

Class 2 and Class 3 will be going to the EIS in Sheffield to compete against the other Primary/Junior schools in the Hope Valley in various athletic disciplines. This is a very impressive venue which allows the children to compete whilst seeing stars such as Jessica Ennis-Hill training.

## Thursday 21st July—Sports Day

Due to parental requests we have put in two dates for our afternoon Sports Day this year. This is the first opportunity, so that if it rains we have a second opportunity on the last day of term. Our sports day sees the school split up into the three house teams and everyone working together to try to be the winning house team at the end. There are traditionally Mum's and Dad's races, so please come along and watch/take part if you can do. If the sun shines and this event goes ahead, we'll then do general sports on

**Dates: - Continued!****Bank Holidays**

- 26 and 27 December 2016
- 2 January 2017
- 14 April 2017 (Good Friday)
- 17 April 2017 (Easter Monday)
- 1 May 2017
- 29 May 2017 (Spring Bank Holiday)
- 28 August 2017 (Summer Bank Holiday)

the last day of term e.g. Rounders, cricket etc. Each child will require a t-shirt in the colour of their house team: Ladybower need a red t-shirt; Howden need a yellow t-shirt and if they are in Derwent, they can use their PE t-shirts as they are blue!

**Friday 22nd July - Whole School Trip Out**

This year we are going to Manchester Museum of Science and Industry for our whole school summer trip out. We are not only going to have the chance to look around the museum itself, but each class will also attend an educational workshop designed for their age group. It looks like it is going to be an absolutely fabulous day. More Information to follow when the trip letter is sent out.

**Monday 25th July—Leaver's Meal**

This is when the Year 6 leavers have the opportunity to cook for their parents and staff to say 'thank you' for their primary years. The Year 6's decide on a theme, create a three course menu (with three options within each course), work out the quantities required for each meal choice chosen and buy all the subsequent ingredients. Then they start cooking at 9am and carry on until all the food is prepared and cooked as much as it can be, before welcoming their guests in the evening and serving them their food. It is usually a lovely night and so far we haven't managed to poison anyone!

If you are free to help during the day, you are very welcome to come in as the more adults we have the smaller groups we can have. Please get in touch with Mrs Hill if you are free to help out.

**Tuesday 26th July—Leaver's Assembly**

The assembly starts at 9am (ish) and is usually incredibly emotional! The rest of the day is spent by the Y6's getting their t-shirts signed and other leaving activities.

**Tuesday 26th July—Sports Day Mark 2**

If the first Sports Day on Thursday 21st July gets rained off then Sports Day will happen today instead. If we manage to have Sports Day, and the weather is kind to us, we will finish for the summer term down at the Pavilion, playing various sports like rounders. If any parents would like to come and join in you would be very welcome. We usually have our final pick-up from the field having got rid of all the books, bags etc from school before the whole school trip out.