

# Headteacher Newsletter 18th May 2023



**Dear pupils and parents,**

As we near the end of another half term I wanted to thank all those that had been able to attend the consultation meetings.

During the six meetings, it was highlighted that although a member of staff should be on the gate in the mornings from 8.40am there have been occasions when they have been a little late. To ensure that this doesn't happen a staff member will be on duty for 8.35am to welcome the children. We apologise for any inconvenience this has caused.

We would also like to offer some reassurance about the staffing in school on a Friday. On site we have Miss Moore, Miss Grant and Mrs Farrell (who is a very experienced teacher) and all are directly employed by the school. To ensure support I will also try to be on site first thing on a Friday morning. We are finding that in practice I am splitting most days between the two schools and this flexible approach is working well.

## Diary Dates

Please see below a reminder of the events planned for the rest of this half term and for the last term of this year!

Friday 19th May	Work Party Day
Wednesday 24th May	Fun Taster Cricket sessions - Whole School - in school
Thursday 25th May	Year 4 - 6 Swimming Hathersage
Friday 26th May	Last Day of Term
Monday 5th June	School Re opens
Monday 5th June	Orienteering (Gford Pavilion) Class 3 AM
Monday 5th June	Orienteering (Gford Pavilion) Class 2 PM
Tuesday 6th June	EIS Sheffield Year 3 - Year 6
Wednesday 7th June	3.30pm New Reception Meeting
Thursday 8th June	Year 4 - 6 Swimming Hathersage
Monday 12th June	Ladymanners Y7 teacher to see Y6
Thursday 15th June	Class 1 Sports Event HVC
Saturday 17th June	Grindleford Carnival
Tuesday 20th June	New Reception Taster morning
Wednesday 21st - 23rd June	Class 3 Whitehall Trip
Monday 26th June	Inset Day
Tuesday 27th June	Group Photos
Tuesday 27th June	New Reception taster afternoon
Wednesday 28th June	Year 5 STEM Day HVC
Thursday 29th June	Year 4 - 6 Swimming Hathersage
Thursday 29th June	Class 2 Tennis Festival HVC
Monday 3rd July	Severn Trent Assembly - Whole School
Tuesday 4th July	Transition Day
Thursday 6th July	Year 4 - 6 Swimming Hathersage
Wednesday 12th July	Whole School Trip
Thursday 13th July	Year 4 - 6 Swimming Hathersage
Thursday 13th July	Sports Afternoon - parents welcome



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### Consultation for Federation

There is still time to give your opinions.

Responses must be received by 9th June 2023 when the consultation closes.

<https://forms.office.com/e/w0DqAFJ7R2>

### Whole School Trip

We are very excited to share with you that we will be going on a whole school trip on Wednesday 12th July. The Grindleford Carnival theme is Space this year we thought it would be great to follow this theme and have arranged to attend the National Space Centre in Leicester. During the day the children will be able to explore the centre and be involved in workshops.

This has been possible due to our amazing PTA agreeing to pay for the children's admissions, workshops and transport. A massive thank you to all the fundraising you all do!

### Easyfundraising

Wow! We've just been paid by easyfundraising and would like to say thank you to everyone who's helped us to achieve this! A massive £111.11!

If you're not supporting Grindleford Primary School on easyfundraising yet, please take a moment to sign up and get involved for free now. Over 7,000 brands will donate to us every time you use easyfundraising to shop with them.

It's easy, completely free and makes a huge difference to us!

You can get started here:

[https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/grindlefordprimaryschool/?utm\\_campaign=dd-may-23&utm\\_source=raisemore&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_content=cbp231-e1](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/grindlefordprimaryschool/?utm_campaign=dd-may-23&utm_source=raisemore&utm_medium=email&utm_content=cbp231-e1)

### PTA Work Day

PTA have very kindly organised a work day on Friday 19th May (tomorrow!) to help tidy up the school's outdoor areas. We have hired a skip to get rid of the rubbish and we would be very grateful if you could donate all or part of the day to help out. No super-skills required – just gardening, possibly painting, sanding etc. Tea/Coffee/cake provided, and full instructions will be given.

Once again thank you all for your continued support,

Kate Gemmell (Headteacher)