# **Headteacher Newsletter 30th June 2023**



### Dear pupils and parents,

In the whirlwind of the last term we find ourselves with only three weeks to go before the Summer holidays.

This is an exciting time as the children prepare to move into the next year group. For some this will even mean moving classes and of course we will be saying goodbye to our Year 6 students.

Tuesday 4th July is transition day for the whole school where the children will get the chance to spend the day in their 'new' year group and classroom.

We are pleased to confirm that Miss Grant will continue to be our Class 3 teacher in the new academic year, with Mrs Slack teaching Class 1 Monday - Thursday alongside Mrs Farrell on a Friday and Miss Moore in Class 2.

#### **Diary Dates**

Please see below a reminder of the events planned for the rest of this half term and for the start of the new academic year.

Monday 3rd July	Severn Trent Assembly - Whole School
Monday 3rd July	Class 2 forest school
Tuesday 4th July	Transition Day
Thursday 6th July	Year 4 - 6 Swimming Hathersage
Monday 10th July	Class 3 forest school
Wednesday 12th July	Whole School Trip
Thursday 13th July	Year 4 - 6 Swimming Hathersage
Friday 14th July	Sports Afternoon - parents welcome starting 1.30pm
Thursday 20th July	Leavers Assembly
Thursday 20th July	Last Day of School
Friday 21st July	Inset Day
New School Year	
Monday 4th September	Inset Day
Tuesday 5th September	School Re Opens
Thursday 7th September	Year 4 - 6 Swimming Hathersage
Thursday 14th September	Year 4 - 6 Swimming Hathersage
Thursday 21st September	Year 4 - 6 Swimming Hathersage
Thursday 28th September	Year 4 - 6 Swimming Hathersage
Wednesday 4th October	Y5 & Y6 Tag Rugby HVC 1.30pm - 3pm
Thursday 12th October	Rec and KS1 Fundamentals festival HVC 1.30pm - 3pm
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Saturday 14th October	The Grindleford Gallop
Wednesday 18th October	KS1 and KS2 Cross Country Qualifier HVC 1.30pm - 3pm
Monday 23rd October	Year 6 Bikeability PM (school)
Tuesday 24th October	Year 6 Bikeability All Day (school)
Friday 27th October	Inset Day



## **Whole School Trip**

The whole school trip to the National Space Centre is on Wednesday 12th July 2023. This trip has been fully funded by our wonderful PTA.

During the day the children will be taking part in a workshop, be involved in an astronaut education session and have time to explore the centre.

The children will be leaving at 8am promptly so please could you arrange for your child to arrive at school by 7.50am. The coach will be returning to school at approximately 5.45pm (this time may vary).

We will send out a message to let you know our progress.

Children will need a packed lunch / snacks and drink for the trip and need suitable clothing depending on the weather and sensible shoes to walk in. Please ensure that children are wearing a school top with logo.

#### **Young Voices - January 2024**

We are excited to share that we are registered to take part in the Young Voices concert in Sheffield on Thursday 8th February 2024. The children will get the opportunity to be part of the largest School Choir in the World. The children will spend the afternoon rehearsing and then perform in the evening. Parents / carers will have the opportunity to purchase tickets and enjoy the show. The children will be transported to the venue by coach with staff members but will need to be collected from the venue after the performance.

Young Voices is open to children in Year 4, 5 and 6. We will be running an After School Club to practise and learn the songs. The details of the club are below. Please confirm by Friday 14th July 2023 if your child would like to attend the Young Voices concert by emailing the office beccy@grindlefordprimaryschool.co.uk as we need to submit our numbers to secure our place.

#### After School Clubs - September 2023

Please see below details of the After School clubs that will be running from September 2023.

### Monday with Mrs Slack 3.15pm - 4.30pm

Construction club - Open to all - Max number 15 - £24.50 per child for 7 sessions (Monday 4th September Inset Day)

#### Tuesday with Miss Moore 3.15pm - 4.30pm

Netball Club - Open to Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 - Max number 15 - £28.00 per child for 8 weeks

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Wednesdays with Matty Cooper (an external sports coach) 3.15pm - 4.30pm

Fitness Fun - including obstacle courses, circuit training and group games.

Open to all children - Max number 15 - funded provision from Sports Premium

### Thursdays with Miss Grant 3.15 - 4.30pm

Young Voices - Open to children in Year 4, 5 and 6 (who will be attending the Young Voices concert) - funded by school

After school clubs close at 4.30pm. Staff appreciate prompt collection.

If your child is already in After School Provision and they would like to join a club on that day then please let Beccy know and they will join the club and then rejoin After School Provision if they are staying until 6pm. There is no additional charge. If they don't join a club but are staying for afterschool, it will be child-led play.

Places will be allocated on a first come basis and if your child misses out due to numbers they will be placed on the waiting list for next half term. Please contact Beccy to make a booking beccy@grindlefordprimaryschool.co.uk

## **PTA Support**

We want to say yet another massive thank you to our PTA who have just supported us buying a new set of 24 ipads to be used in school. These will be so beneficial to the children enabling new apps and programs to be accessed and enjoyed.

Once again thank you all for your continued support,

Kate Gemmell (Headteacher)

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