

HEATHER GARTH STAR

Monthly News



SPRING TERM 2025

REMINDER -

PLEASE NOTE - To book for the breakfast club, which is open from 7.30 am every morning, every school day, please contact Julie Quinn on 01709894149

SCHOOL BREAKS UP ON FRIDAY 4 APRIL 2025

AND RETURNS ON

TUESDAY 22 APRIL 2025

WE HOPE YOU HAVE A LOVELY EASTER BREAK



COFFEE MORNING

Don't forget to visit our
coffee morning every
Wednesday

8.30am—10.00am
in the Blue Building

EVERYONE WELCOME

FUNDRAISING

Valentines non-uniform day raised - £150.35

Comic Relief raised £148.52

Thank you for your continued support.



Congratulations to all the
mums who completed the 10
week nurturing program. I
am so proud of you all.

Mrs Bennett.

Extra Curricular Clubs - SUMMER TERM 1

<u>GRASSROOTS</u> <u>Year Groups</u>	Day of Club	Club activity—Please note that these clubs won't start until week 2.	Time of Club	Number of Sessions
Year 4, 5 and 6	Thursday 24 April to 22 May	Multisport Club - In the club, the children will have the opportunity to play sports such as hockey, dodge ball, tag rugby, basketball, indoor athletics and gymnastics.	3.05pm – 4.05pm	5 weeks - £10.00
Year 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6	Wednesday 23 April to 21 May	Mixed Football - In our football sessions children will have the opportunity to learn how to pass, receive and shoot in football.	3.05pm – 4.05pm	5 weeks - £10.00
Year 1, 2 and 3	Monday 28 April to 19 May	Multisport Club - In the club, the children will have the opportunity to play sports such as hockey, dodge ball, tag rugby, basketball, indoor athletics and gymnastics.	3.05pm – 4.05pm	3 weeks - £6.00

Year Groups	Day & Time of Club	Details of Club	Teachers	Number of Sessions and Costs
Years 1 and 2	Thursday 24 April to 22 May 3.05 pm to 4.05 pm	Drawing Club – In the club, the children will be given the chance to get creative! Each week there will be a theme and the children will get the opportunity to draw different pictures using a range of media e.g. crayons, pencils, felt tips. Themes may include animals, films and story characters.	Mr Fisher	5 weeks - £10.00
Years 3, 4 & 5	Thursday 24th April to 22 May 3.05 pm to 4.05 pm	Science Club - In the club, the children will take part in different science activities throughout the sessions linking with different areas of science - Biology, Physics and Chemistry.	Miss Walker	5 weeks - £10.00



SUMMER TERM 1 & 2

TWO WEEK EASTER BREAK

W/C 7 APRIL AND
W/C 14 APRIL 2025

School breaks up for half term on **Friday 4 April** and returns on
Tuesday 22 April 2025

DRUMMING WORKSHOP

Funded by the PTA

25 APRIL 2025

An opportunity for all children to experience rhythm and movement. The workshop encourages active participation, fosters creativity and builds confidence, helping pupils to grow both individually and as part of a group.

NON-UNIFORM DAY

16 MAY 2025

Non-uniform day in order to raise funds to help reduce the cost of school education trips for parents and carers. £1.00 Per child.

Thank you for your continued support!

CLASS PHOTOGRAPHS

19 MAY 2025

With individual photos for FS2 and Year 6 only

ONE WEEK HALF TERM BREAK

W/C 26 MAY 2025

School breaks up for half term on **Friday 23 May 2025** and returns on
Monday 2 June 2025


27 JUNE 2025

INSET DAY

GOLD BAND CELEBRATION

7 JULY 2025

A special treat for all **gold responsible learners**. This will be held after school and further information will follow.





SUMMER TERM 1 & 2

SCHOOL REPORTS COMING HOME WITH YOUR CHILD

7 & 16 JULY 2025

On **Monday 7 July 2025** your child will bring home their school report. If you feel you have any issues or concerns regarding your child's report then you can make an appointment to discuss this with their class teacher on **Wednesday 16 July 2025**. Appointments will be available between 3.30 pm and 5.30 pm.

NON-UNIFORM DAY - 'HERE COMES THE SUMMER'

11 JULY 2025

Non-uniform day in order to raise funds to help reduce the cost of school education trips for parents and carers. £1.00 Per child.

Thank you for your continued support!

16 JULY 2025

SUMMER RAFFLE

Information to follow.

17 JULY 2025

CELEBRATION OF LEARNING

A day full of organized activities, fun for all children to celebrate our year of learning.

FRIDAY 18 JULY 2025

(Monday 21 July & Tuesday 22 July 2025 are school INSET DAYS)

18 JULY 2025

Break up for the Summer holidays

**WE WOULD LIKE TO WISH YOU ALL A LOVELY SUMMER AND LOOK
FORWARD TO SEEING YOU IN SEPTEMBER!**



EYFS - FS1 NEWS

This term, FS1's learning has been all about "Mirror Mirror and Animal Kingdoms". In spring term 1 our focus was traditional tales. We shared lots of books about Princesses, Dragons and Castles. We also sang lots of songs linked to this. We celebrated Chinese New Year and created Chinese lanterns and practised our letter formation in Chinese. We also celebrated Valentine's Day by wearing something we loved. We looked fantastic!

In spring term 2 we learnt all about mini beasts and the life cycle of a butterfly. This was really interesting! We also learnt lots of new songs about bugs, minibeasts and springtime. At the end of term, we celebrated Easter by listening to the Easter story and learning all about why people celebrate Easter. We tasted hot cross buns and had an Easter egg hunt too. This was great fun!

In phonics we have been playing with sounds, focusing on initial letter sounds and blending phonemes together. We are getting really good at this!

In PE our focus this term has been gymnastics and dance.



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EYFS - FS2 NEWS

This term has been full of exciting learning opportunities in FS2. We have loved sharing a range of books including 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'. We have developed our vocabulary linked to this book. During our focus on the life cycle of a butterfly we have learned words such as 'pupa', 'cocoon' and 'emerge' and 'nibbled'. We also made our own hungry caterpillars, which we loved!

FS2 enjoyed World Book Day, we had fun dressing up and sharing our favourite books. We have enjoyed sharing other books throughout the half term such as non-fiction texts about minibeasts and animals.

The children enjoyed celebrating Pancake Day and chocolate spread seemed to be the most popular topping!

Our children love to engage with our Drawing Club sessions. We have drawn the main stages of the life cycle of a butterfly, we have also drawn a range of minibeasts. Lots of children are gaining more confidence each week to write a sentence to describe their drawings. We are now focussing on sounding out words carefully for our writing as well as spelling some tricky words.

Our children continue to grow in independence. We are noticing lots of children who can undress and dress themselves for P.E. It is really important we can do this ourselves as well as zip up our own coats for outside. Well done to all our independent children.

We have also discussed seasonal changes – linked to the early signs of Spring. Lots of us have noticed that 'blossom' is appearing on some trees and that flowers such as daffodils are now growing. We have completed activities such as planting, painting daffodils, drawing animals and using different materials to make representations of different living things.

Our Artist focus has been Henri Matisse. FS2 have been keen to create their own versions of his 'The Snail'. We are proud of the children's creativity!



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SUMMER TERM 1 & 2

FOUNDATION STAGE

FS PARENT SESSION

14 MAY 2025

'Getting ready for summer' - we will be gardening, painting flowers, completing arts and craft activities linked to the warmer weather/seasonal changes. An invite will be sent nearer to the time.

FS1 LITTLE CITY EXPERIENCE

20 MAY 2025

This half term, FS1 will be visited by 'Little City' a mobile roleplay city on Tuesday 20 May 2025..

This will be a wonderful experience where children can explore a variety of role play environments such as a café, school, farm, vets, hairdressers, supermarket and builders/construction site.

We are very excited to welcome Little City into school and think this will be an invaluable experience for the children. Role play is very important for young children as it supports them to develop their imagination, communication skills as well as co-operation and team work skills.

FS2 VISIT TO THE BUTTERFLY HOUSE

10 JUNE 2025

As part of our learning FS2 will be going on a full day trip to the 'Butterfly House' at North Anston. Our learning is going to be about 'Let's Explore' and as part of this we will be exploring the wonderful experiences that the Butterfly House has to offer! We have loved learning about different insects and creatures throughout the school year and during this trip we will get to meet a variety of creatures with information shared about them provided by experts. The day will also consist of visiting different parts of the park - seeing creatures such as owls, otters and meerkats. This will link with our focus on core texts around animals/adventures.

FS1 & 2 SPORTS DAY

25 JUNE 2025

We will be holding a **sports day** for **ALL our FS1 and FS2** children on **Wednesday 25 June 2025**. This will take place in the afternoon and it is our intention for the races to commence at 2.00 pm on the school field. **The top gate will open at 1.45 pm and will be CLOSED AND LOCKED AT 2.00 PM PROMPT.** Your child should come to school in suitable footwear (trainers/pumps), with sun cream and a sunhat (please make sure that these have your child's name on them). Cold refreshments and raffle tickets will be available throughout the afternoon.

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YEAR 1 NEWS

Over Spring's two half terms Year 1's themes have been "The UK" and "Towers, Tunnels and Turrets".

In Geography we have been learning all about the four countries in the UK, their capital cities and the surrounding seas. We have also focussed on recognising their flags, their national symbols and Saints too.

We have had lots of fun learning all about the history of castles and who lived in them a long time ago. We have explored Norman Motte and Bailey castles and the structure of a Medieval Castle. We also had a trip to Conisbrough Castle and learnt all about why it was built, who lived there and lots of history about the castle. We had a great Day!

In Art we have built upon the knowledge they gained in FS1 and 2 and continued to explore different printing materials e.g., Lego blocks, string and other objects they felt suitable to print with. We further explored primary and secondary colours and produced a print using selected objects to create a repeating pattern.

In Computing our focus has been online--safety and using the internet. We have been discussing what the internet is and how it can be used. We have been recognising that the internet may affect mood or emotions and how internet use can affect and upset others. We have also loved exploring the bee-bots and programming them to move in different directions – and correcting our mistakes when they went wrong!

In Science we have been looking at the differences between the seasons and how the length of day can vary in the Winter through to the Summer.

In RE, we have been focusing on Islam beliefs and the need for rules. We have contributed to discussions about how religious beliefs support community cohesion and how religious beliefs influence how people treat each other in Islam faith. We also listened to the Easter story and took part in roleplay to act out the story.

In Music we have been focussing on developing our singing skills. We have been learning how to add rhythm and pitch to our voices. We have learnt a selection of songs through listening, singing, playing, composing and improvising and finally performing them.

In PE our focus for this term has been target games and team building. We have been working on our 'under and over' arm throwing skills, throwing for accuracy and distance and developing our ability to work as a team.



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SUMMER TERM 1 & 2

YEAR 1

YEAR 1 PHONICS SCREENING

Year 1 will be undertaking their phonics screening test week commencing 9 June. We may send your child home with words/sounds to practice in preparation for the test. Please support your child in practising these words and sounds and continue with home reading too.

W/C 9 JUNE 2025

We are hoping to organise a meeting for Year 1 parents regarding the importance of Phonics and share ways you can support at home. Please look out for information regarding this after the Easter holidays.

We politely request that parents/carers try to avoid this period when booking holidays

YEAR 1 PARENT SESSION—THE WEATHER

To celebrate our learning, we will be inviting you to year 1's Weather Art and Craft Session. This will give you the opportunity spend time with your child being creative. During the session the children will be creating collages and crafts linked to the weather. Please come along and support your child to cut, colour, stick and enjoy being creative.

17 JUNE 2025

YEARS 1—6 SPORTS DAY

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24 JUNE 2025



YEAR 2 NEWS

Our themes this term in Year 2 are 'Fire Fire!' and Marvellous Monarchs

In History we have been learning about the Great Fire of London. We looked at London past and present and sequenced the events of the Great Fire on a timeline. We also looked at Samuel Pepys' diary and how these historical sources help us to know about the Great Fire. We had an amazing day visiting the National Emergency Services Museum in Sheffield. We showed off our brilliant knowledge of the Great Fire of London, dressed up and explored lots of different emergency service vehicles. We saw modern fire engines and some very old, horse-drawn fire carts too!

As part of our Marvellous Monarchs theme, we are looking at our current royal family as well as Queen Elizabeth I and Queen Victoria and exploring the impact the different monarchs have had on our country.



In Literacy, we enjoyed mixing real and imaginary ideas by writing a diary from the viewpoint of a rat in London in 1666! We have also responded to a letter from our felt tip pens who were very unhappy with how they have been treated. In our maths lessons we started the term by exploring money. We looked at coins and notes and how to make different amounts. We also tried adding money and giving change. Next, we moved on to multiplication and division. We have explored equal groups, repeated addition and arrays and we are doing a great job!

In science we have explored seeds and bulbs and are looking at how plants grow, what they need to grow and also where they grow. We have carried out some investigations to answer some puzzling questions such as 'does it matter which way up we plant a bulb?'

Our artist for this term was Paul Klee and we used his ideas to develop our printing skills and create our own piece of printed artwork based on a London landmark. In DT we are finding out about healthy food and learning to prepare food to make a healthy wrap for lunch. We have tasted combinations of foods and designed our own wrap that we will make and evaluate.

We are also excited about our computing lessons this term as we are beginning to explore coding with a programme called Scratch Jnr. We started by 'tinkering' with the coding blocks and then explored creating simple animations.



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SUMMER TERM 1 & 2

YEAR 2

YEAR 2 VISIT TO CLEETHORPES

3 JUNE 2025

This term Year 2 are involved in a topic called 'Oh, I do like to be beside the seaside', and to help with this we have arranged a visit to **Cleethorpes** for **Tuesday 3 June 2025**. During the visit the children will visit the RNLI, carry out observational drawings of things you might find at the coast, look at microhabitats within the seaside environment, as well as enjoying a nice time on the beach and an ice-cream (you can't go to the seaside and not have an ice-cream ☺)!

YEAR 2 PARENT SESSION


20 JUNE 2025

After our visit to the seaside, the children have designed their own punch and Judy themed puppets but we need your help to make them! You will be invited to come along and help your child to cut, colour, stick or even sew their own puppet!

YEARS 1—6 SPORTS DAY

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YEAR 3 NEWS

This term, our learning has been 'Journey to Scotland' and 'Down the Pit'. As part of our geography learning, Year 3 have done all about where Scotland is in relation to other countries and the equator, what the physical features of Scotland are, what life is like on the remote Scottish island of Coll and what the similarities and differences are of life in Barnsley and the island of Coll.

In history, they have learnt about what coal is, why coal was so important in our local area, what life was like in the mines and how the closure of the mines effected our local community. The children also enjoyed visiting the National Coal Mining Museum where they met ex-miners who talked about what it was like to be a miner. They explored the pit head baths and learnt about the routine of a miner's day at work. Finally, they had a guided tour of the Lister tunnel and met the horse keepers.

In science, Year 3 learnt that light is a form of energy, that there are natural light sources, that light travels in straight lines and that it can be reflected from surfaces. They also learnt that shadows are formed when an opaque object blocks light from passing through and that the shadow will change size depending on the distance away from the light source. They identified and described the functions of different parts of flowering plants, learnt how water is transported within plants, requirements of plants for life and growth and explored the part that flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants.

In ICT, they have learnt about how the internet can be used to share beliefs, opinions and facts, how the use of the internet can affect our feelings and emotional wellbeing, the ways personal information can be shared on the internet and the rules for social media platforms. They explored what an email is used for and how to send one, how to edit email content and add an attachment, understand the importance of being kind online and what this looks like, that cyberbullying involves being unkind online and that not all emails are genuine.

In RE, the children have learnt about prayer times and places of worship for Muslims, that the Ka'bah is a very special place for Muslims and that Muslims go on pilgrimages to Makkah and Hajj. They explored the five pillars of Islam, the work of Muslim charitable organisations and how faith/belief play an important role at major points in a Muslim's life. They have also learnt about the importance and rituals of the holy month of Ramadan, the Islamic values shown at Ramadan and areas of a Muslims life where self-discipline plays an important role.



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SUMMER TERM 1 & 2

YEAR 3

YEAR 3 EGYPTIAN DAY WORKSHOP

6 JUNE 2025

We have a special visitor coming to talk to us about Egyptians. The children will take part in different activities and learn lots more about the Egyptians .

YEAR 3 PARENT SESSION—THE EGYPTIANS


10 JUNE 2025

The Egyptians - Linking with our history work about Egyptians, we would like to invite parents in to help us create Egyptian death masks fit for a Pharaoh. Death masks were used by Egyptians as they believed it would help souls find their body in the afterlife.

YEARS 1—6 SPORTS DAY

24 JUNE 2025

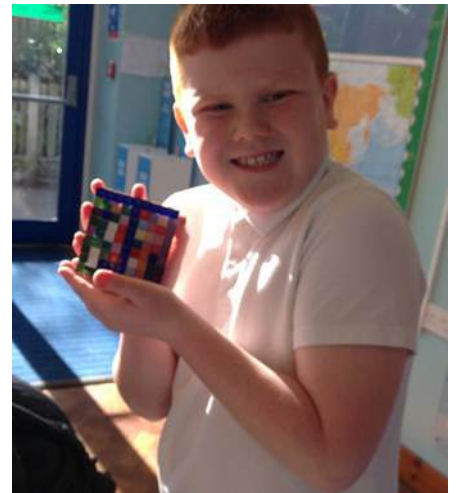
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YEAR 4 NEWS

We have had a fantastic Spring Term in Year 4, filled with exciting learning experiences and hands-on activities!

This term, Year 4 has been immersed in learning about the Romans and their invasion of Britain, exploring their impact on culture and daily life. In Science, we investigated electricity by building circuits and testing conductors and insulators. Our Spanish lessons focused on family vocabulary, while in Religious Education, we explored Hindu values and how they shape daily life. A highlight of the term was our parent workshop, where we designed beautiful Roman mosaics. We also continued our swimming lessons, with students building confidence and improving their skills in the water.



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SUMMER TERM 1 & 2

YEAR 4

DATE TBC

YEAR 4 PARENT SESSION— TBC

You will be invited to join us for a parent session. Details to follow.

YEAR 4 & 5 ORIENTEERING EVENT AT THE DEARNE

30 APRIL 2025

Y4 & Y5 will be attending an orienteering event on 30 April 2025 at the Dearne Academy. Further information will be sent out nearer to the time.

YEAR 4 MULTIPLICATION CHECKS

The statutory Year 4 multiplication checks will take place 3, 10 and 17 June.

Please ensure that your child is at school these weeks.

W/C 2 JUNE 2025

W/C 9 JUNE 2025

W.C 16 JUNE 2025

A PARENT INFORMATION MEETING WILL BE HELD ON 22.4.25 AT 2.30 PM IN THE SCHOOL HALL

YEAR 4 VISIT TO EWDEN WATER WORKS

Our learning for the Summer Term is 'Raging Rivers and Wonderful Water'. As part of the learning we have arranged to take the Year 4 children to **The Ewden Water Treatment Works on Thursday 19 June 2025**. This visit will enrich your child's learning and develop their knowledge of the water cycle, importance of clean water, water conservation, understanding how flooding occurs and its effect on communities.

19 JUNE 2025

YEARS 1—6 SPORTS DAY

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YEAR 5 NEWS

This term, we have been learning about the Ancient Greeks in our History lessons. The children have looked at some significant people in Greek history and the different battles that took place as different leaders tried to take charge and conquer land.

In Science, we looked at forces and the effects of gravity, whilst also looking at some significant scientists such as Isaac Newton. The children were then able to carry out their own experiment with parachutes, where they could test which worked best. They had to think about the different variables for this and what they would change and what they would keep the same.

We have had a big focus on multiplication and division in Maths and have developed our ability to work with larger numbers and solve problems, making sure we read the problem carefully and answer the question with care.

We have been lucky to have some different experiences this term in Year 5 as we have been to Wath High School to complete a science afternoon. Here, the children completed different activities, such as making a marble run and making bridges to hold weights. We also had two visits from 'Tech We Can' again, where we were able to look at different jobs in technology and how it can change our lives. We also had 'World Book Day' this half term where the children completed different activities related to reading.



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SUMMER TERM 1 & 2

YEAR 5

YEAR 5 BIKABILITY

Please note, this course is for children who can already ride a bike securely. If children cannot already ride a bike, participation should not be taken.

WC 28 APRIL 2025

Children will need a roadworthy cycle and a cycle helmet, and will have to attend each of the five days of the course. Parents must check the cycle to ensure it fits their child correctly and is safe to ride. Please note that the course is designed to improve cycle control, and your child should therefore be encouraged to practise beforehand, especially signalling.

YEAR 4 & 5 ORIENTEERING EVENT AT THE DEARNE

30 APRIL 2025

Y4 & Y5 will be attending an orienteering event on 30 April 2025 at the Dearne Academy. Further information will be sent out nearer to the time.

MAYA DAY WORKSHOP

4 JUNE 2025

The children will work in small groups to handle and investigate a range of artefacts, as well as look at Ancient Codices and writing glyphs, and the Number System. We will be playing an Ancient Maya Board Game of Bul, and looking at the Gods and Temples. To finish we will play a ball game of Pok-a-Tok.

YEAR 5 PARENT SESSION


6 JUNE 2025

You will be invited to join us for a parent session. Details to follow.

YEARS 1—6 SPORTS DAY

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YEAR 6 NEWS

We have had a very busy Spring term learning lots of new things. Here are some of the things we have learned over the term. In Science, we have been studying Evolution and Inheritance. We have looked at how characteristics are passed on by parents to their offspring and how these vary – we don't all look the same. We identified how different animals and plants are adapted to suit their environment and that adaptation may lead to evolution. We have also learned about fossils, how these are formed and how these give us evidence of what lived on the earth millions of years ago.

In Geography we have been studying Climate Change and Sustainability. We looked at different vegetation belts, climate zones and biomes around the world and how they differ. We also identified the position of the Prime/Greenwich Meridian and the different time zones around the world. We then moved on to looking at climate change, it's causes and the impact it has on our world. We looked at ways we can live more sustainably and how we can support sustainability in the future.

In RE, we have continued to look at the Sikh faith. We identified the Sikh articles of faith known as the 5 K's and also the importance of the Langar (a community kitchen) in representing Sikh values. We were also visited by Mr Singh who taught us more about the Sikh religion.

In Computing we have been studying Big Data which includes learning about: barcodes, QR codes, how infrared is used to transmit data and how RFID is used and kept secure.

In PE we have taken part in Basketball and Handball units and in Spanish we have been learning the vocabulary for school subjects and say which subjects we like and dislike at school.

In art, we created our own mythological portraits inspired by the work of Victoria Topping.



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SUMMER TERM 1 & 2

YEAR 6

SATS WEEK

As you can appreciate this is a very important week for our Year 6 children, and we would ask that parents/carers ensure that their child/ren attend, and that family holidays are not taken during this week.

W/C 12 MAY 2025

During this week, Monday to Thursday, Year 6 will be able to come into school earlier than usual. The school will be open from 8.15am. We will be serving breakfast: toast, hot drinks and juices. Over the years, we have found that this breakfast session is a great way for the children to relax and unwind before the tests, as they have the opportunity to chat with their friends, laugh and prepare themselves for the tests. Children should enter school via the Reception gate and go to the Year 6 classroom as normal.

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DATE TBC

YEAR 6 ENTERPRISE


Year 6 enterprise will be running for one week– more details to follow.

YEAR 6 LEAVERS ASSEMBLY

Year 6 pupils will be inviting their parents/carers to join them for their last ever assembly as Heather Garth pupils in the school hall at 2.30pm. Refreshments will be available from 2.00 pm in the school hall. If you have any other children in school, please inform us, and they will be kept behind in class until the assembly has finished.

DATE TBC

Year 6 will have been working hard to make this a memorable assembly, therefore we would be grateful if you could organise child care for your pre-school children. However if this is unavoidable, we would appreciate you taking your children out of the performance if they become fractious, so that it doesn't spoil the performance for everyone.





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TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

PLEASE CONTACT SCHOOL FOR MORE INFORMATION

WE WOULD LOVE FOR YOU TO JOIN US

TO HELP ARRANGE AND RUN FUN EVENTS FOR OUR CHILDREN

AND TO RAISE FUNDS FOR THE SCHOOL

A big thank you to all parents and carers for the continued support with PTA events. This term we have had the sale of world book day costumes, which raised a total of £70.50 to add to the fund pot. We have also had our Mother's Day treat sale which was very well supported across school. Hopefully there will be plenty of happy mothers out there on Sunday as there were certainly some very excited children who wanted to treat their mums.

Coming up next half term, we will have a Father's Day treat sale and then the big event will be the summer fair. This is scheduled to be on the 8 July after school and any support for this would be greatly appreciated. Our next meeting is due to take place on 23 April at 9:00 am, so if you have any ideas for the summer fair, please do come along.

The PTA also plan to sell treats during the sports day picnic, so any help in selling these would be great and cross your fingers for some sunshine!



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