

Half Acres Primary Academy

Newsletter May 2018

Can you believe we are already half way through this half term? It is a very busy but exciting time in school with Year 6 taking their SATS this week and Year 2 taking theirs before the end of May. Year 1 take their Phonics Screening test immediately after the half term holiday. All of these results will be reported to parents along with your child's annual report in July.

This is the term when we start to prepare children for their new classes in September. As part of the process the children will visit their new class or school. We also have annual events such as Sports Day and the Summer Spectacular concerts to look forward to.

UPCOMING SCHOOL VISITS

20th June - Year 6 residential to London
4th July - Reception classes to visit The Deep in Hull
(payment to be received in full before 22nd June)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

14th May	Year 6 SATS week
23rd May	9.10am Year 5 Class assembly
25th May	School closes for Spring Bank
11th June	School reopens Year 1 Phonics Screening week
20th June	9.10am Mrs Moore Class assembly
22nd June	Sports Day 1.30pm
27th June	9.10am Mrs Foster Class assembly
4th July	9.10am Year 2 Class assembly
24th July	Summer Spectacular concerts
26th July	(EY2) Reception graduation ceremony
27th July	9am Year 6 leaver's assembly School closes at 1.30pm

SUMMER FAIR

Our School Council are currently organising a summer fair on the 2nd July from 2.30pm.
Further details will follow in due course.



HALF ACRES BABY NEWS



Congratulations to Miss Gill, who is expecting her second baby and Mrs Drinkall who is expecting her first baby around September time.
Mrs Benn is still awaiting her new arrival! He is expected to make an appearance SATS week!

DINNER MONEY

As a gentle reminder there are a number of parents forgetting to pay their child's dinner money, this **MUST** be paid in advance for the week ahead. The cost is £11.50 per week.

ATTENDANCE UPDATE

This year the whole school attendance target is **97%**. Please support us by ensuring children arrive on time and stay in school all day.

Please be advised that we do not authorise term time holidays except in exceptional extenuating circumstances. Holidays taken in term time may incur penalties for families. These are £60 per parent, per child. The fine rises to £120 per parent, per child if it is not paid within 28 days.

Class attendance since September 2017 - 95.0%			
Nursery AM & PM	92.6%	2OD	94.3%
EY2F	94.4%	3S	96.0%
EY2W	95.6%	4MO	94.8%
1GR	95.6%	5B	95.8%
1N	95.3%	6B	94.1%

TWITTER

Our children continue to take part in lots of exciting events and activities. Staff try to share these with you on Twitter and we encourage you to follow us.

Please search for us @half_acres

If you do not have a twitter account, you can easily create one at www.twitter.com

The pictures of the recent Year 4 visit to York are amazing.

PUNCTUALITY

There has recently been a significant rise in the number of pupils arriving late into school. It is important pupils arrive on time in order that they do not miss learning and that they learn good habits for life. This is causing considerable disruption in the office on a morning.

Doors open in Nursery at 8.40am and across the rest of school at 8.50am, remaining open for ten minutes. Those pupils arriving after this are marked as late within the next ten minutes. If your child has ten lates they will be referred to the EWO and fines may be incurred.