



PEAR TREE SCHOOL

NEWTLETTER



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Year 6

Year 6 must be congratulated on their amazing focus and determination with the recent SAT tests. They are a huge challenge for the children but they have managed really well and their attitude has been first class. Thanks to all the staff involved – it is a huge team effort that ensures every child gets the support they need.

Mr Mottram from Year 7 at Brine Leas has been to visit Y6 this week as we start the transition to high school process so the change has already begun!

They will visit Brine Leas week commencing 24th June.

Residentials

Year 6 are heading off to York after the half term break – we wish them the most brilliant three days of sightseeing and developing their historical understanding with trips to Eden camp and the Jorvik centre on the itinerary. Have a super time Year 6 – school will be quiet without you!

SENCO

I am delighted to announce that we have appointed a SENCO; Mrs Natalie Zatrakova. She will start in September and will be working two days a week as SENCO at Pear Tree.

New Starters

We are almost full in September and I can't believe quite how fast the past year has gone as we prepare to start the transition of the new starters into school. Today we had our new starter coffee morning and after half term we welcome you back into school for your first taster sessions. Monday 10th June or Wednesday 12th June 3.30-4.30pm, Tuesday 25th June or Wednesday 26th June and Thursday 27th June 9.30-11.30am.

Booknic

Unfortunately, we've had to postpone the Booknic. The field is too soggy after yesterday's rain but we will reschedule it for after half term.

Non School Uniform Day

Friday 24th May is the last day before we break up for half term and what better way to celebrate than with a non-school uniform day. We are raising money for St Luke's Hospice in Winsford so please send your child in with a donation in return for wearing their own clothes.

Sun cream

The sun is starting to make an appearance so please remember to apply sun cream before your child comes to school. Do not send any into school and also ensure they have a named hat, if required, to help protect them

from the sun. Staff don't apply sun cream usually but if it is vital then please see your child's class teacher for a chat over it. Many sun creams now offer adequate protection to 'last' all day'.

Insects

Just a reminder that when the weather gets drier it increases the number of biting critters that seem to live in the forest area. A number of our children appear to be tasty treats for these insects so if your child has Forest School this term please send them in long sleeve tops and long trousers. Last year, I bought some citronella infused bracelets which helped but you may also want to invest in some insect repellent for your child too. Unfortunately, the insects seem to live under the bark in the forest area and become prolific during dry spells and then once it rains the larvae and insects are then dispersed and it becomes less of a problem. We did try and minimize the time spent in the forest area during Forest School sessions last year but if we plan in advance hopefully we can minimize the impact and the discomfort the insects cause.

Head lice

Some classes have had some outbreaks of head lice recently. Dealing with head lice can be challenging, but with the right approach, it's manageable. If your child comes home with lice, start treatment promptly. Over-the-counter treatments are effective and safe when used as directed. In addition to treating the hair, wash bedding, hats, and clothing in hot water to kill any lice or eggs. For items that can't be washed, seal them in plastic bags for two weeks. Combing wet hair with a fine-toothed nit comb can help remove lice and nits. It's also important to check and treat other family members if necessary. Remind children not to share personal items like hats, combs, or headphones to prevent the spread of lice.

Rotary Art and Handwriting Competition winners

Well done to our Rotary Art and Handwriting Competition winners. It was lovely to be with them last Saturday as they received their prizes.

Congratulations to:

Henry T and Ivy H– Year 2

Nina D and Georgie M – Year 6

There is a display of their work and others from Pear Tree and other Nantwich schools in Nantwich Museum until the start of June.

Important notice about holidays

Another reminder that we finish for the summer break on **Thursday 18th July**, this is because we will have worked 191 rather than 190 days.

Food Bank Vouchers

If you find your family has a short term and/or emergency need for food and toiletries, then please contact school as we can make referrals to the Nantwich Food Bank to offer emergency support.

Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Greasby

Mr and Mrs Greasby welcomed their baby girl, Tabitha Lily into the world recently. Mr Greasby has been taking some paternity leave as the family adjust to their new arrival. All the family are doing well 😊

Polite reminder

The office gets really busy, especially at the end of the day. Please help Mrs Nixon and Mrs Sheppard out by giving them at least 24 hour's notice for changes to pick up arrangements. They are only human and if a call comes in late in the afternoon they could be dealing with an urgent matter elsewhere in the school and

messages don't always get to the class teacher in time. We know and understand that emergencies happen but if you know in advance then help us to help you ☺

Hello from the PTA!

We hope you have been enjoying the sunny weather as much as we have. The PTA is currently busy working behind the scenes to organise this year's Summer Fair! Pencil Friday 14th June in your diaries and look out for a letter containing lots more information coming home soon.

If you have any free time to support with running the Summer Fair (either before or on the day itself), please get in touch with a member of the PTA or email pta@peartreeprimary.co.uk

What else is coming up?

Rags2Riches – 8th July – after the success of our previous two collections we are running a final one for this academic year on Monday 8th July. Donations can be brought in from Friday 5th July – see attached flyer.

End of term disco – 12th July – what better way to finish the year than by partying with your friends! Look out for a letter coming home after the half term break.

Diary Dates

Fri 24th May – Break for half term, return Mon 3rd June

Mon 3rd-5th June – Violet (Y6) class residential to York

Thurs 6th June –9.30-11am Red class parents – 'Stay & Play'

Fri 7th June – Orange class swimming for 4 weeks

Fri 7th June – Non-uniform PTA fill white bag

Thurs 13th & 14th June – Violet class Bikeability

Fri 14th June 4.30-6.30pm – PTA Summer Fair

Thurs 27th June – Move Up Day

Weds 3rd July – Blue class Bikeability

Fri 5th July – Sports Day KS1 am and KS2 pm

Tues 9th July – Summer Show Case. Letter to follow

Fri 12th July 6-8pm – PTA Disco

Thurs 18th July 9.15am – Leavers assembly (new date)

Thursday 18th July – Break for summer