

Lydgate Junior School
NEWSLETTER
June 2016



Dear Parents / Carers,

Diary Dates

Wednesday 8 th – Sunday 19 th June	Broomhill Festival – more information at https://broomhillfestival.org.uk/
Monday 13 th June, 2.30 p.m.	Y5AP Class Assembly – parents welcome
Tuesday 14 th June, 6.30 p.m.	Information Evening for Y6 families going to King Edward VII School in September (at KES Lower School)
Wednesday 15 th June, 2.30 p.m.	Y5R/J Class Assembly – parents welcome
Thursday 16 th June, 7 p.m.	Music Concert, St John's Church Ranmoor
Wednesday 22 nd June, 2.10 p.m.	Y4H/S Class Assembly – parents welcome
Friday 24 th June – Sunday 3 rd July	Crosspool Festival - more information at https://crosspool.info/events/crosspool-festival-2016
Friday 24 th June, all day	Year 5 to visit King Edward VII Upper School for Science and Spanish Workshops
Saturday 25 th June	Summer Barbecue at Lydgate Infant School
Monday 27 th June	Induction Day for Y6 pupils going to Tapton School in September
Tuesday 28 th June, 6 p.m.	Information Evening for Y6 families going to Tapton School in September (at Tapton School)
Wednesday 29 th June, 2.10 p.m.	Y4VS Class Assembly – parents welcome
Wednesday 29 th June, from 3.45 p.m.	Fun Run – Tapton Field
Thursday 30 th June, 2.10 p.m.	Y4F/R Class Assembly, parents welcome
Thursday 30 th June, 6.15 p.m.	FOLA 'Crosspool Crawl', details below
Friday 1 st July, 9.15 a.m.	Y4CP Class Assembly – parents welcome
Tuesday 5 th July	Induction Day for Y6 pupils going to King Edward VII School in September
Wednesday 6 th July	Sports Day – details to follow
Wednesday 13 th July, 9.15 a.m.	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly – parents welcome
Tuesday 19 th July	Last day of Summer Term. School closes at 3.15 p.m.
Monday 5 th September	School re-opens - Autumn Term

Transition arrangements

We have already started the process of planning and discussion to ensure as smooth a transition as possible for pupils when they move to their next year group in September.

Year 2 pupils will visit several times between now and the end of the Summer Term, and the Year 3 teachers will visit Lydgate Infant School.

Year 6 pupils will be spending a transition day at their various Secondary Schools, as well as attending welcome evenings. The Year 6 team will also be liaising with their Year 7 colleagues. Our pupils currently in Years 3, 4 and 5 will find out shortly which classes they will be in next year; their current and future teacher(s) will have detailed conversations, and the children will visit their new classrooms on 27th June.

Year 6 News

Our Year 6 children showed remarkable resilience and stamina throughout their SATs week in May. Monday started with a particularly tricky reading paper but they showed self-belief, tried their best and held their heads high. They displayed the same determination for the maths and Spag tests which followed. Well done to each and every one of them - we couldn't be more proud.

Maybe it was the thought of our Edale residential at the end of the week which kept them going!! A fabulous time was had by children and adults alike....

“Edale is one of the best experiences I've ever had! The rooms are lovely, the instructors are very nice and the Youth Hostel itself is fantastic! All of the activities are great fun and you'll learn so many new and interesting things. It makes you more independent and the residential is the best in the world!!! You'll have lots and lots of fun!” Eve, Y6NL

“I loved going to Edale; it was so much fun! The whole experience was amazing. We got to do lots of fun activities. I chose to do raft building, abseiling and orienteering. I would recommend abseiling because it helped me overcome my fear of it. Don't worry, you won't fall because the rope can hold a mini-bus! I hope you enjoy Edale as much as I did” Elise, Y6AD

Thank you to all the members of staff who gave up their weekend to go on the trip and who went out of their way to ensure the children were well looked after. To date, around six hundred Year 6 children have enjoyed this taste of the “great outdoors”; letters for next year's trip have just been sent to pupils in Year 5. If you would like your child to attend we will require an initial, non-refundable deposit of £30 (via parentpay) no later than Friday 17th June.

Staff News...

Governors have made four teacher appointments recently, to fill vacancies created by colleagues who will be leaving at the end of term. We are putting the finishing touches to the teacher placement plan and you and your child will hear soon who their teacher(s) will be in September. We also warmly welcome Lucie Clack, who has joined us as an administration apprentice working in the school office.

Music News

♪ There will be a Lydgate Junior School Music “extravaganza” at Ranmoor Church on Thursday June 16th. This concert will feature Orchestra, Windband, Choir, Boys' Choir and Y3 Singers from Mrs Tierney's and Mrs Wymer's classes. The concert will start at 7 p.m. and will finish at approximately 8.30 p.m.

♪ Would your child like to learn a musical instrument at school? We have a long tradition of music making, which has enabled children to participate in Orchestra and Windband, and to be involved in concerts and events such as the one described above. We offer tuition from peripatetic music teachers in the violin, cello, flute, clarinet, oboe, tenor horn, cornet and euphonium. More information is available from the school office – please note that the deadline for applications is Friday 17th June.

FOLA News

Lydgate Infant and Junior Schools' Fun Run

The annual running event for pupils (and parents!) is taking place on Wednesday, 29th June, at 3.45 p.m. on the Tapton School Field. Come along and join in, either for fun or to win! Only £1.00 to enter and certificates for all children who take part.

Crosspool Crawl

Whether you are an experienced runner or first time racer, come along and have a go! The race (4.5 miles long, over a mix of trail and road) will start and finish at the Sportsman Pub, on Redmires Road, Lodge Moor (S10 4LJ) on the evening of 30th June. Entry is open to anyone over 14 years old. The cost is £10 and all proceeds go to FOLA. Application forms are available at the school office or via our website www.lydgatejunior.co.uk; race packs will be given out before the event.

Well done to....

Our very talented Lydgate Junior School Swimming Squad. Having been promoted from Division B last year, the team have now won the silver medal in Division A. They were also judged as being the most improved school in the competition overall. What an amazing effort. Well done to Olivia M, Anjali B, Ben and James McC (from Y3); Max R, Kristian B, Emily L and Ruby T (from Y4); Erik M, Ingrid L and Lauren W (from Y5); and Jai B, Lewis B, Hamza B, Eve R and Sarah L (from Y6).

Crosspool Festival Photography Competition

Take a photograph that shows ACTION and email (as a jpg) it to crosspoolfestivalphotos@gmail.com stating your name, age category, contact email and phone number and a caption for your picture. The closing date is 19th June. The photo doesn't need to capture movement, it can just be something that suggests some action is about to happen. The competition is for anyone living/working/studying in the area; the categories are: primary (5 – 11yrs), secondary (12 – 18yrs), adult (19yrs and over). Winners will be announced at St Columba's Church on 29th June.

Lost Property

Once again, we find ourselves inundated with items of lost property. Parents and carers (and pupils!) are welcome to have a look through the baskets at any time. Please mark items with your child's name and class, as this will assist us in returning them to their rightful owners. Thank you.

Sainsbury's Vouchers

Thank you to everyone who has donated Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers; if you have any left at home could we ask that these be brought in to school as soon as possible.

Girls Football

Nethergreen Girls Under 12 Football Team are looking for players to join next season; this would be pupils currently in Year 6. They play in the Sheffield and Hallamshire Girls County League. Contact Sumaiya on 07975767351 for more information.

Regards



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