

*Lydgate Junior School*  
**NEWSLETTER**  
*May 2018*



Dear Parents / Carers,

**Diary Dates**

14 <sup>th</sup> – 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Y6 SATs week
17 <sup>th</sup> May, 7 p.m.	FOLA meeting (in school)
23 <sup>rd</sup> May, 7 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	Music Concert – St Mark’s Church, Broomhill
24 <sup>th</sup> May, 9:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Y3 music performance, all parents & carers welcome
25 <sup>th</sup> May, 3:15 p.m.	School closes for the half-term holiday
4 <sup>th</sup> June, 8:45 a.m.	School re-opens for the second half of the Summer term
19 <sup>th</sup> June, 6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.	Information evening for Y6 pupils going to King Edward VII school
20 <sup>th</sup> June, 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	MAST support & advice session, appointments available
29 <sup>th</sup> June, 9 a.m. – 10 a.m.	Y5 performance in the school hall, all parents & carers welcome
29 <sup>th</sup> June – 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Y6 residential trip to Edale
4 <sup>th</sup> July, 6:45 p.m.	FOLA ‘Crosspool Crawl’
5 <sup>th</sup> July	Induction day for Y6 pupils going to King Edward VII school
5 <sup>th</sup> July, 6 p.m. – 7 p.m.	Welcome evening for Y6 pupils going to Tapton school
5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Induction days for Y6 pupils going to Tapton school
11 <sup>th</sup> July (a.m.)	Sports day for pupils in Y3 & Y4
11 <sup>th</sup> July (p.m.)	Sports day for pupils in Y5 & Y6
12 <sup>th</sup> July, 5:30 p.m. – 7 p.m.	FOLA disco for pupils in Y3, 4 & 5
13 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5 river walk trip
18 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 leavers’ assembly, parents welcome
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 leavers’ Prom

**‘sQuid’ Online Payments**

We have been made aware that if a credit card is used to make payment, the bank issuing the card may levy charges for its use. sQuid have advised that they have no influence in determining whether a charge is levied by the bank and that they do not receive any share of the charges collected.

**School Meals Round Table**

Would you be interested in taking part in a discussion about school meal provision? We’d like to have a conversation with a group of (about twelve) parents. We will do it around lunchtime, with a school meal included, on the house. We are planning to do this on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June. Please let the school office know if you are interested in joining us.

**Music News**

♪ There will be a Lydgate Junior School Music “summer extravaganza” at St Mark’s Church, Broomhill on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May. This concert will feature Orchestra, Windband, Choir, Handbells and also some solo performances. It 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. A letter will be sent home during the next half term, with a view to starting in September (subject to availability).

**School Car Park**

Another reminder that parents/carers should not use the school car park before, during or after school.

### **Message from the School Governors**

The Governors would like to thank everyone who took part in their recent feedback initiative. All the responses have been shared with senior leaders and parents will be informed of any outcomes / actions as soon as possible.

### **Schools Swimming Gala**

Thank you to all pupils who took part in the swimming trials at King Edwards pool; several children have been selected to represent the school in the annual Swimming Gala on 24<sup>th</sup> May, at Ponds Forge. We are looking forward to an exciting evening for all involved.

### **Inhalers, EpiPens and Medication kept in School**

Does your child have an inhaler, EpiPen, or other medication in school? If so, please remember that it is the responsibility of parents / carers to ensure that the expiry date has not passed.

### **Class Photographs**

Order forms for class photographs have been sent home; please contact the office if you have not seen the proof. If you would like to order a copy, please note the deadline of 15<sup>th</sup> May. We do earn commission on any orders which are placed. This money is paid into the school's 'private fund' and is used to directly subsidise trips / activities, and buying equipment e.g. science week activities.

### **MAST Support and Advice Session**

The school-MAST link worker will be in school on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June, with appointments available from 12.30 p.m. She is able to discuss concerns such as emotional well-being, stress management, housing problems, family relationships, family breakdown, and school attendance. Please note that she is unable to offer advice on your child's learning and progress.

Please contact the school office if you would like to make an appointment.

### **Pizza Making**

Between now and the end of the Summer term, all pupils in Y3, 4 & 6 will be going to "Proove" in Broomhill to design and bake a pizza which they can then take home. We are very grateful to the staff there for inviting us and for offering this opportunity completely free of charge to the school and to parents.

### **End of the Day Routine**

Children go off in many directions after school, and we try to support a smooth but secure transition.

Children go to:

- After school clubs and activities on site
- Rascals and The Old School House Nursery
- Childminders
- Parents and Carers
- Some make their own way home

Parents are welcome on-site, if they wish, to collect children once the Manchester Road gate is open.

There are always teaching staff on duty outside after school, on the top playground, and at the gate. You might see four or more teachers there every day. Staff will stay there until all the children are collected or taken back to the office. We are also, of course, happy to talk to parents at this time.

### **Medical Appointments during the School Day**

Wherever possible, please try to make medical appointments for children outside the school day. We do realise it is not always possible to make appointments after school; if you have to take your child out of school during the day please send a note to the school office well in advance and allow time on the day for office staff to send for your child to come to the reception area. For safeguarding reasons we cannot allow parents / carers to take children directly from the classroom.

If the appointment is first thing in the morning, i.e. your child will be arriving at school afterwards, please also let us know if a school meal needs to be ordered. This is because the number of meals the kitchen cook each day is calculated on the number of pupils present at morning registration.

## FOLA News

- Crosspool Crawl: this is a 4.5 mile long race, and is open to anyone over the age of 14. The cost to enter is £10 (£5 for under 22s). More information and application forms available from the school office or via email [crosspoolcrawl@gmail.com](mailto:crosspoolcrawl@gmail.com)
- The FOLA summer disco for Y3, Y4 & Y5 pupils will be held in the school hall from 5:30 p.m. on 12<sup>th</sup> July. A letter will be sent home shortly.
- FOLA has a new logo! The winning design was created by Thomas Allen (Y4) who has been given a WHSmith voucher.



## Well Done to...

Grace Sachdeva (Y6), who played in the U13 National Championship at Birmingham and won the gold medal in the singles competition and the silver in doubles. Grace is technically one year too young for the U13 age bracket and this is a huge achievement for her. Congratulations Grace!

Max Shepherd and Marley Foster (Y3). Both boys play for Hallam Rangers Under 8 Football Club who were runners up in the Sheffield and District Junior Sunday League.

Jamie Swan (Y5), Beck Dempsey, Lloyd Curry, Sam Garner and Will Sharkey (Y6) who play for Sheffield Steelers U12 Lacrosse team. They played in the Plate Finals at the Flags Festival in Rochdale and won, with goals from Beck, Will and Jamie. This is a fantastic achievement for them and the team, and it is the result of many hours of training. Junior training for boys and girls (aged 10 - 16) is held at Tipton School, Astro Turf, Darwin Lane, on Fridays at 4 p.m. between September and April, during term time. Beginners are very welcome.

Rishi Pillai, William Goodwin, Robert Davison and George Atkinson (all in Y4) who held a bake sale at school, and raised £98.75. They donated the money to the Children's Hospital Charity.



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