Summer 2 Newsletter – 4th May 2018

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Many thanks to Mr Wilce for organising our World Cup Hot Shot Challenge today. The football related challenges have been great fun for all the children, and it has been lovely to see how well they have responded. Now comes the important part! We hope that all of our pupils have managed to gain sponsors for their participation, and will now be rell-earned donations. If the sponsor forms are not

collecting their well-earned donations. If the sponsor forms are not yet filled (or if they have gone missing!) it's not too late to gain a few sponsors or to download a new form from the newsletters section of our website. All who bring in sponsorship money will receive a prize, and there will be a special prize for the class which raises the most. All funds raised will go towards our aim of converting the former caretaker's bungalow into an additional learning space which can also provide a base for the Early Birds and 456 Clubs. Please help your child to collect sponsorship money, and return forms and money in a named envelope to school. All forms and envelopes for PTA attention should now be placed in the new grey post box at the side of the office desk. Thank you for your help.

Otley Carnival, Saturday 16th June The PTA is once again organising a school float to take part in the Otley Carnival parade. The theme for our float this year is 'Fly Me To The Moon', a space theme which we hope will appeal to all ages. We are very grateful to

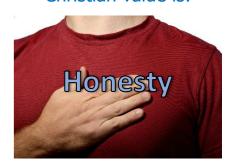


Beccy Shuttleworth, who has agreed to organise this for us this year. Thank you to her, and to all who were able to help create the props and decorations at last night's working party. A letter went out last week inviting children to sign up for a place on the float, and can now be found in the newsletters section of our website. There are limited places available, so please let us know if you would like to be included.

PTA Scarecrow Festival, 26th May – 10th June Entries are about to close for the Scarecrow Festival; this year the theme is 'Film and TV characters'. Closing date for entries is 5th May and the festival commences on 26th May and closes on 10th June. Entries outside of the agreed zone can be hosted on school site or nearby gardens. Entry forms available from the school office.



This half term our core Christian value is:



Diary Dates

Monday 7th May – School closed for Bank Holiday

Friday 11th May – Year 4 Viking Day **Monday 14th May** – SATs week for Year 6 pupils

Thursday 17th May – Year 4 Gymnastics Festival

Friday 18th May – PTA Firefighters Clothes Collection

Monday 21st May – Year 6 Bikeability week

Tuesday 22nd May – Class

Photographs

Year 6 group attending Leeds Book Awards

Thursday 24th May – Roman Soldier visiting Year 3

Break up for half term

Friday 25th May – Training Day

Saturday 26th May – Start of PTA Scarecrow Festival

Monday 4th June – School opens

after half term

Wednesday 6th June – School Nu

Wednesday 6th June – School Nurse visiting Y5 and Y6

Thursday 7th June – School Nurse visiting Year 5















50:50 Club The April draw was made this week, and the winners were Katie Nicholson (£100.00) and Hannah Place (£25.00). If you would like to be included in the draw, which raises money for PTA as well as offering the opportunity for a monthly prize, please fill in a form at the school office.

Forest Schools We are very grateful to the PTA, who have arranged to offer the whole school a Forest School Experience on the Chevin later this term. This will be a wonderful opportunity for our children to experience the glories of nature that are right on our doorsteps, and is indicative of the commitment of the PTA to provide great opportunities for the pupils who are at our school now, as well as planning to improve the facilities that will be able to our children in the future. We are very grateful to Simon Toyne, and the other active and supportive members of the PTA who work so hard to provide these opportunities.





Health and Wellbeing Week, 25th—**29**th **June** The Chevin Partnership of schools is planning a number of activities for the summer term which will promote greater awareness of the importance of exercise and healthy eating. Among these will be a special Play Day event, held at Prince Henry's, where the Bradford Community Play and Development Service will be providing a range of special play activities, including Bungee Trampolines, Spider Mountain, Hovercrafts, Body Zorbs and Ultimate Wipeout (full range of likely activities can be seen at

www.bradford.gov.uk/media/3967/play-resource-catalogue.pdf). For nursery pupils there will be special inflatable activity centre at our own school site. We are grateful to Otley Town Council for grant assistance in support of the week. We will be requesting a donation of £2.50 per pupil towards the cost of our play day, but we feel sure that it will be a memorable day for all children. There will also be the opportunity for families to come along one evening to experience the activities. More details will be provided nearer to the event.



Peace Garden Work has now started on creating our Peace Garden under the oak trees at the front of school. The designs, created with the help of pupils, are very exciting, and we are looking forward to enjoying the newly created space, and to planting plants and flowers which will develop over the years to come. Many thanks to Mr Robertson, and to the parents who have supported and helped with the work.

Chippendale 300 Thomas Chippendale, Britain's greatest furniture maker, was born in Otley on 2nd June 1718, and the town is hosting a number of special events and activities to mark his tercentenary. Town poet Matthew Hedley Stoppard (one of our parents) has produced a special poem, 'Thomas Carved our Town', and there is a competition for Year 5 and 6 pupils to design an object associated with Thomas Chippendale (details at www.chippendaleactivities.org/fun_stuff.php. On Tuesday 5th



June at 7.30pm a concert, 'Musick for a Summer Evening', will be held at All Saints Church, marking his christening day with a varied programme of 17th and 18th Century music performed by local artistes (including me!). For more details please go to www.visitotley.co.uk/history-heritage/chippendale-300/.

Amazing staff! Congratulations to two of our teachers who completed impressive fund raising challenges recently. Mrs Binks ran in the London marathon on behalf of VICTA, a charity which supports blind and partially sighted children and their families, completing the course in an amazing time of 4 hours and 28 minutes. Last weekend Mrs Anderson took part in the Swimathon 2018 to raise money for Cancer Research UK, Marie Curie and the Swimathon Foundation. We are very proud of our colleagues, and of their achievements.