

# Harewood C of E Primary School

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## “Educating for Life In All Its Fullness”

2<sup>nd</sup> July 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Very well done to the following children for really making the extra effort this week to impress.

<b><u>Class 1</u></b>
Ida C Jonathan S Both for being Excellent Early Learners
<b><u>Class 2</u></b>
Brilliant Behaviour: Jaya J Wonderful Work: Thomas M
<b><u>Class 3</u></b>
Brilliant Behaviour: Henry V Wonderful Work: Eve M
<b><u>Class 4</u></b>
Brilliant Behaviour: Sofia D Wonderful Work: Heidi B

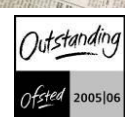
### COVID Cases

COVID cases are continuing to rise in the area surrounding Harewood and in Leeds generally. The threat of having to close class bubbles is very real at the moment, possibly more so now than at any time during the year. You will have heard in the media this week about how the education of the nation’s children is still being disrupted by COVID and several of our local schools have had to close bubbles in the last week. Some schools, not far from here, have more children out of school than in at present, and the local COVID case rate has doubled in the last week. Whatever we can do to reduce this risk to our community, we should be doing. Please think very carefully about the contacts the children have during these last few weeks to reduce risk for everyone.

Thankfully, as of today, all our staff are back and our Before and After School Club should be up and running fully again next week, so sessions can be booked online once more. Thank you to families who have found other provision for the last 2 weeks.

### Chicks in Class 1

We have had some new arrivals in Class 1 this week. The children were greeted on Wednesday morning with 2 chicks in their incubator and by the end of the day, 5 had hatched. It was all very exciting and the chicks are now being expertly looked after by Class 1 before going back to the farm in a couple of weeks time.





## Bag 2 School Collection

The next Bag 2 School collection for the PTA will be 9<sup>th</sup> July. Collection bags are not being sent out this time but you can use any bags you have. The van collecting contributions will arrive any time from 9am on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July. You can bring your bags into school either Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> or on the morning of the 9<sup>th</sup>.

## Sports Day

We are planning to hold a Sports Day for the children on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July. Unfortunately, due to current restrictions and risk assessments we will not be able to invite parents this year. This has been a very difficult decision to make, as I know how much families value the opportunity to see their children compete and enjoy themselves at such events. We really want to make the most of the day for the children, to give them a day to remember and something that will help end the year on a high for them. They deserve it.

We looked at a range of possible ways of holding the event with parents present, but all of these would place restrictions and compromises on what was possible for the children. I am sure you would agree that we need to enable the children to have the best day they can, whilst staying safe and trying to get us all to the end of term. We will take lots of photos during the day and try to post as many of these as possible onto Tapestry so hopefully you will get a flavour of what has been happening. Sorry.

## Class Photos

A quick reminder - Orders for the class and group photos need to be made by 7<sup>th</sup> July if you are to benefit from the free home delivery offer. If you need help please contact the school office.

## Music In Worship - Oh Wow, Awesome God – Cheeky Pandas – by Pete James

This week has been 'Clean Beaches and Plastic Free week'. As we think about respecting our planet, in particular the beaches, this song reminds us that God created our whole world and everything in it. 'Oh Wow, Awesome God' celebrates what an amazing place our world is from the stars, to the sun, to the animals, to all the different languages we speak.



The YouTube Link is:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8gLTOvrda4k>

## Dates and Events

Class 4 Residential	5 <sup>th</sup> , 6 <sup>th</sup> , 6 <sup>th</sup> July
Class 2 – Zoo Lab	12 <sup>th</sup> July
Sports Day	13 <sup>th</sup> July
Transition Morning (Moving up morning)	14 <sup>th</sup> July
Class 3 – Egyptian Day	19 <sup>th</sup> July
Last Day of Term	23 <sup>rd</sup> July

Have a good weekend.

Mr Ratcliffe

