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# Educating For 'Life In All Its Fullness'

21<sup>st</sup> June 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

The Highlight of the week, this week has been the opening of our Art Exhibition **'Nature's Rainbow'** in our hall. This has been put together by all the classes and organised by Mrs Wright and the Eco-Committee. The theme of 'Nature's Rainbow' has inspired the classes to produce work based on the nature around us and using natural items to produce work. Each class also worked to a colour scheme to produce the rainbow of colours. If you have seen the work, I am sure you will have been impressed by the skill and diversity in the display.

If you have not had the chance to see the work this evening, the exhibition will be open again on Monday morning from 8.40am to 9.10am for you to come and have a look.

Each artwork will be available to families for purchase through cash donations. All proceeds will be used to improve the wellbeing of our children, funding essential activities and resources. Experience creativity while supporting a vital cause, ensuring a brighter future for our children.



## Parking in the Bus Stop

This morning the health and safety representative from the bus company who operate through Harewood spoke to me. He reports that there is regularly a problem with cars parked in the bus stop opposite school. In one instance last week, a wheelchair user could not get off the bus as the bus could not get to the raised curb to drop its ramp. This resulted in the passenger having to go to the next stop down by the bridge, cross Harrogate Road and wait for the next bus back to Harewood so they could use the stop on the school side of the road.

I know parking is often a challenge and people maybe only parking for a couple of minutes, but please be considerate of other users. Sorry.



## Sports Day

Next Tuesday, weather permitting, is our Sports Day if you would like to come and join us. We will open the gates just after 1pm for a 1.15pm start.

As in previous years, the children will be doing a range of sporting activities in mixed aged colour teams and then the more traditional races. For the first part, feel free to follow your child to each event and cheer them on. We will try to put out a few chairs for race spectating, but you may want to bring one of your own to sit on. We are aiming to be finished by the usual end of day time.

## Summer Concert

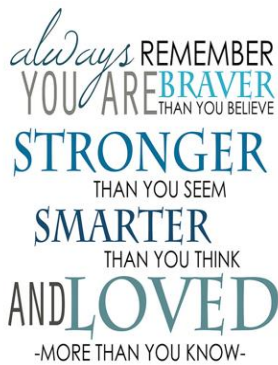
On Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July we will be holding our annual summer concert for families. As in previous years, this will be on our school field with all the classes performing songs and it is also a chance for all our musicians to show off their skills with individual performances. Exact timings are to be confirmed, but it is



likely to be a 1.30pm start. More details will follow in future letters but we wanted to give warning for families who need to make arrangements to be able to attend.

## PTA Updates

- Our PTA Summer Fair is on Friday the 5<sup>th</sup> of July from 3:15pm, please save the date!! Hopefully you will have seen copies of the information this week either as the paper copy sent home or the emailed copy. If not, it is also on the homepage of the school website. We would like to make our Summer Fair a fantastic event so if you can offer any help either before the day or on the day, please speak to one of the PTA. Thank you



## ***'Wellbeing Statement of the Month'***

June 2024

### **Collective Worship Music - Good and Faithful Shepherd**

This week's song is called 'Good and Faithful Shepherd'. It has been written as part of a collection of songs celebrating the parables.

The song 'Good and Faithful Shepherd' talks about Jesus as a caring shepherd who looks after all of us, just like a shepherd takes care of his sheep. This reminds us of the parable of the Lost Sheep in the Bible. In this story, Jesus tells about a shepherd who has 100 sheep, but when one goes missing, he leaves the 99 to find the lost one. The shepherd doesn't give up until he finds the lost sheep and brings it back home safely. This story shows how much Jesus loves and cares for each one of us, no matter what. Just like the shepherd in the song and the parable, Jesus will always look for us and take care of us, making sure we are safe and happy.

Here is the YouTube link for the song: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D6KYFuJwGO4>

### **Events and Upcoming Dates**

Date	Event
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Art Exhibition in the Hall
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day (PM)
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Class 3 Saxons Trip
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Sports Day backup date
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Class 3 Jorvik Trip
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	PTA Summer Fair
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Class 3 Italian Day
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Class 2 Trip – Skelton Grange
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Concert Afternoon
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Class swap morning and new Class 1 children



Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> and Tues 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Bikeability
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5 WVLP Sports Event at Boston Spa
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Leavers performance for Year 6 families (2pm)
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Final day for pupils

Have a good weekend.

Mr A. Ratcliffe

