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# Educating For 'Life In All Its Fullness'

5<sup>th</sup> July 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has seen trips out for Class 1 to Harewood Castle and Class 3 to Jorvik, both of which were great fun and enhanced the learning of the topics being covered in class. Next week will see Class 2 going to Skelton Grange and Class 3 doing their Italian Day production for their families. This year it is a version of Matilda with an Italian twist.

On Friday next week we will be welcoming our new Reception Class into school and having our new class swap morning, with the children meeting their new teachers and classmates in preparation for September. With this in mind I have outlined later in the letter a number of changes for the coming year.

## Summer Fair

A massive thank you to everyone in the PTA and others who are currently helping or helped to setup and sort the Summer Fair today. This event takes many months of planning and setting up to make it work. The team have been fantastic.

Also a big thank you in advance to everyone who is joining us this afternoon. Events like this really help build a sense of community in our school, bring us together as a chance to socialise and have fun. It also raises a huge amount of money, which is very much appreciated, helping school to fund exciting events and activities for the children, subsidising trips and buying additional equipment which we would not be able to buy without this support.

## Staffing News and Classes for 2024-25

There are going to be a few changes of staff in school from September. Firstly, it is with regret that I need to tell you that Mrs Burnley will be leaving Harewood at the end of term after being with us since 2008. Mrs Burnley has had a lot of input into school over this time. Her work with the all the many children over the years and developing Special Needs has been very much appreciated and really progressed provision in our school. We want to wish her all the best for the future.

There are also a few other changes to teaching days. Mrs Dodd and Mrs Wright are both going to be with us full time rather than 4 days and Mr Sturgess is reducing his days in school to 3 days per week. We are currently going through a recruitment process to appoint a new member of staff who will be job sharing with him from September.

Next Friday, we will be having our Class Swap where the children move to their new classes for part of the morning, meet their new teachers and start thinking about next year. Below are the details of classes and teachers for you.

<u>Class / Year Groups</u>	<u>Teacher</u>
Class 1 – Reception	Mrs Watts
Class 2 – Years 1 and 2	Mrs Dodd
Class 3 – Years 3 and 4	Mr Sturgess and our new teacher
Class 4 – Years 5 and 6	Mrs Wright



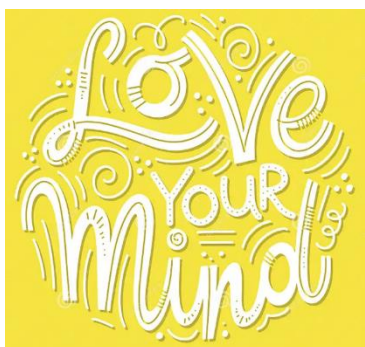
## School Council News

Our school council have put together their own newsletter and competition leaflet. This will be for sale to children and families next week after events like the Italian Day performances and the Summer Concert. Mrs Dodd and the School Council are keen that they promote the work of the Council and are able to do more things to enhance what we offer in school. Please support our School Council with this enterprise as any proceeds will go towards the things they would like to do as we start the new school year.

## Summer Concert

Next Thursday is our Summer Concert (weather permitting). 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. We will be aiming to **start at 1.15pm** and be finished around the usual home time.

Please bring a chair or picnic blanket to sit on and hope for good weather. If the weather is wet, or it looks like we will get wet, we will postpone but we hope to avoid this. Unfortunately our school hall is too small to fit all the school, all the parents who wish to join us and also leave a performance space so the event is very much weather dependent. As in previous years, it will be great to see as many families joining us as possible for the afternoon.



## 'Wellbeing Statement of the Month' July 2024

## Collective Worship Music - Jesus Calms the Storm – Keith and Kristyn Getty

This week's song is called 'Jesus Calms the Storm'. The song 'Jesus Calms the Storm' tells the story of how Jesus helped his friends during a scary storm. In the Bible, there's a parable where Jesus and his disciples are on a boat when a big storm comes. The disciples are very afraid, but Jesus is calm. He stands up and tells the wind and waves to stop, and everything becomes peaceful. This song reminds us that even when we feel scared or worried, Jesus is always there to help us and bring peace. Just like in the story, we can trust Jesus to take care of us in any situation.

Here is the YouTube link for the song: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8A5GwBcgG6o>

## Events and Upcoming Dates

Date	Event
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 1.15pm start
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
<b>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Final Family Celebration Assembly (2.40pm)</b>



Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Leavers performance for Year 6 families (2pm)
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Final day for pupils
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>No After School Club</b>

Have a good weekend.

Mr A. Ratcliffe

