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# Educating For 'Life In All Its Fullness'

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Dear Families,

In our recent certificate assemblies, we said well done to the following children, for making the extra effort to impress with their work, or their behaviour and attitude. Well done to all of you.

<b><u>Class 1</u></b>
<b><u>Excellent Early Learners</u></b> Skye, Ernie, Lawrence and Charlie
<b><u>Class 2</u></b>
Wonderful Work: Gigi, Charlotte and Mohammed-Yahya Brilliant Behaviour: All Class 2 and Ben
<b><u>Class 3</u></b>
Wonderful Work: Jovan, Shaniya and Seren Brilliant Behaviour: Noori and Yahya
<b><u>Class 4</u></b>
Wonderful Work: Year 6, Aryana, Mila and Emily. Brilliant Behaviour: Year 6 and Thomas M

It has been a busy last couple of weeks in school to finish off this half term. Last week was Year 6 SATs week. The children were amazing. They were so positive and really up for showing what they could do. We are all very proud of them for this. We know they have done their best and now just have to wait for the results. Well done Year 6.

Last Friday the whole school got to see a fabulous production of 'The Wizard of Oz' by the M&M theatre company. They delighted us all with their performance. The singing, staging, quick costume changes were all fantastic. Following the performance, as a special treat, post SATs, our Year 5 and 6 children got to take part in a production workshop where they got to see behind the scenes and looked at how a production like this works. They had a go at changing scenery, the sound and lighting and directing the actors. They also got to ask questions and have a discussion around the life of a touring acting company.



If you would like to see photographs of the event I have posted some on the gallery page of the school website. [www.harewood.leeds.sch.uk/gallery](http://www.harewood.leeds.sch.uk/gallery)

Class 2 have been on a visit to Harewood House during the week to support their History topic. They had a great day looking at the history of the estate and having a go at being archaeologists. Class 2 families can see photographs on Tapestry if you would like a look at what they got up to.

Yesterday, Class 1 went on a Pirate Treasure Hunt to Harewood Castle. The children were very excited to tell me about it today and about the treasure they found after following a map and looking for clues. Again, photographs are on Tapestry for Class 1 parents.



## Spirit of Harewood Award

Every now and again we reward pupils in school who go above and beyond to help others or show their best selves. Today we awarded Otilie a 'Spirit of Harewood' award, for her work on promoting diversity. Last Wednesday was World Diversity Day and Otilie spent a long time preparing presentations and activities for each of the classes to raise awareness. Her enthusiasm, maturity and persistence were great to see and her efforts benefitted all those in school she worked with. Thank you Otilie on behalf of everyone in school.



## Maths Competition

Last Tuesday a group of Year 5 pupils went to the Grammar School for the morning to take part in a Maths Competition against other schools from Leeds and North Yorkshire. The children spent the morning solving problems, codes and doing quick fire calculations.



They worked brilliantly as a team and on individual tasks and by the end of the morning we were very pleased to find out that we were placed 5<sup>th</sup> out of 20 schools. This was an amazing result for the children as well as them having an enjoyable morning of maths.

## SEND Parent Pop In - Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June 1:30pm-3pm

Mrs Dodd will be available to meet and chat with parents regarding any concerns that you may have about your child. This can be a catch-up for children with identified additional needs or an opportunity for you to discuss concerns that you might have.

Please email Mrs Dodd: [g.dodd@harewood.leeds.sch.uk](mailto:g.dodd@harewood.leeds.sch.uk) to either book a face-to-face meeting or a phone call appointment.

## Sports Day

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June, 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.



## Allergies

Several of our children in school are affected by allergies. These range from things like hay fever to severe food allergies. Monti, in our kitchen, is great at making sure the pupil's individual needs are catered for and the staff are aware of signs and symptoms to look out for to try to both avoid and if needed, deal with allergic reactions.

Please can we ask that if you are sending food into school (this could be packed lunches or things like birthday treats) you make sure that everything is nut free and to be aware that some children may not be able to have certain items.

This whole area of keeping each other safe is a difficult one, but there is help and guidance available. The link below takes you to the Natasha Allergy Research Foundation website where information can be found and if you register you can access a short animation about how slight changes, and being aware, can make a difference for those affected by allergies.

<https://www.allergyschool.org.uk/resource/arlo-the-armadillo-invited-to-a-party-film/>





### Wellbeing Quote for the Month

This half term Our Collective Worship theme is Friendship. Our quote this month helps us think about working together, so we can all be the best we can.

### Collective Worship Music for the week - The Heart of Worship – Matt Redman

This week’s song is called ‘The Heart of Worship’ by Matt Redman, an English Christian worship leader and singer-songwriter.

Sometimes we get so busy with school, activities, and screens that we forget how important it is to stop and really spend time with the people around us. Making time for each other means listening, being kind, helping out, and showing love — just like Jesus taught us. When we take time to play with a friend who feels lonely, help our family at home, or talk to someone who needs cheering up, we’re putting others first — and that’s exactly what God wants us to do.

Here is the YouTube link for the song: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=miQ1ht0RMm8>

### Dates for the Spring Term

Date	Event
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Final day of school for the half term.
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Training Day
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	School Opens
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Class 4 Fire Safety Talk
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day 1.15pm start
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Reserve Sports Day
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	PTA Father’s Day Event
16 <sup>th</sup> and 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Bikeability Training
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Class Photos
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Class 2 Trip – Tropical World
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	PTA Summer Fair
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Class 1 Harewood Trip
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Class 4 Harewood Trip
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Class 2 Harewood Trip
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Class 4 Italian Day Productions (2pm and 6pm) <i>Please note the change of date</i>
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Concert 1.20pm start
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Class 3 Harewood Trip
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	School Council After School Event



Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly (Time TBC)
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Final day of the Summer Term
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	Children return for the Autumn Term

*Additional dates will be added once confirmed*

Have a good half term. Please remember that we return to school on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June.

Mr Ratcliffe

