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Dear Parents/Carers,

A message from the Headteacher

It was lovely to welcome all our new starters into school last week and we hope that they found the evening an informative one. Many thanks to all the staff who stayed and supported on the night and special thanks to our Year 6 representatives who were absolute superstars.

Year 1 had a fantastic visit to Whitepost Farm on Thursday. They had a great day meeting and feeding the animals and the weather was fabulous. The feedback I have received from pupils, teachers and parents has been so positive which is excellent to hear.

Year R was the place to be on Friday afternoon as Reception created and enjoyed their own 'Chocolate Factory' as a reward for winning Superclass last half term. It all looked and no doubt tasted magnificent.

Finally, we will be hosting our very own 'World Cup' week starting on the 18th June 2018. I will write out to you next week with further details.

House point winners

Congratulations to **Right Judgement** who are the winners for last week. Fabulous job team!

Best Work

Congratulations to **Jan, Sam, Megan, James, Daniella, Lian, Spencer and Milli-Mae** who are this week's 'Best Work' recipients. Magnificent!

Mission Accomplished

A **BIG** well done to the following students: **Jessica, Elizabeth, Charley, Ava, Nathan, Erin, Ciaran, Theresa, Nana G, Maria, Mafara, Nadine, Shay and Harry S** who have been recognised by their class teachers for being shining examples this week. I look forward to having lunch with them on Monday.

Year 3 Class Assembly

This Friday 15th June at 9:10am, Year 3 will be performing their class assembly all about 'Special Places' which I am sure will be fantastic! The children will be writing out with a personal invitation for their families.

Attendance Winners

Well done also to **Year 2** who are this week's attendance winners. Super work!

Staying Sun-Safe

Please ensure your children wear sunhats, put on sunscreen, and bring a bottle of plain water to drink throughout the day. Children may be asked to top up their sunscreen during the day so it is very important that if your child cannot for any reason, you make their class teacher aware. Thank you.

St Benedict's visit to school

On Thursday 14th June 2018 St Benedict's staff will be coming to meet with our Year 6 children and to then lead an assembly for Year 5 before meeting with the Yr 5 parents at 2.15pm. I know the staff from St Benedict's are keen to meet as many parents as possible, so you are very welcome to join us.

Non Uniform Days

Leading up to this year's summer fayre which is straight after school on **Friday 29th June 2018** we will be holding a series of partial and full non uniform days. Please see below for dates and options.

15.06.2018 - Full non uniform and bring in a bottle

22.06.2018 - Wear a football kit or sports clothing and bring in chocolate (to tie in with our World Cup week)

Holiday requests in term time

Please note that any requests to take children out of school during term time will not be authorised unless deemed to be an exceptional case or circumstance. School policy clearly states

Families electing to take their children without permission, maybe subject to a penalty fine from the Local Authority and we have noticed an increased number of requests over the past few weeks.

Please note also, that any holiday requests **must** be made in writing to the Headteacher prior to the potential date. Please make an appointment to meet with Mr Ackers or Mrs Wilcox if you require further clarification.

Lateness

We are noticing an increase in the number of children arriving late for school each day and we really need to have a big push on improving pupil lateness. Children need to be in school by 8.55am at the latest. We are committed to getting as much as possible out of each and every day and we need your support in ensuring that your child is in school at the correct time. Please come and speak to Mrs Wilcox or a member of the Leadership Team if we can be of any assistance to you.

A separate letter detailing the impact of persistent lateness will be emailed out to families early next week.

Changes to Data Protection Law

You may be aware that from 25th May, the rules around data protection are changing. The 'General Data Protection Regulation' (GDPR) will change how we can use your personal data and keep it safe and will also strengthen your rights over your own data.

The point of this is to make sure sensitive or private information about yourselves and your children stays safe. Whilst it is similar to the current Data Protection Act in many ways, there are a few differences, so we need to make a few changes at the school in order to ensure we remain compliant. As part of our work to comply with the GDPR, we are also re-seeking consent for using photographs or videos of your child on our website, in the media, on internal displays or within other school materials. An updated consent form will be sent out shortly and we would appreciate it if you filled this out and returned it to the school office as soon as possible.

If you have any questions about how the GDPR affects you, or how our school is preparing please ask a member of the leadership team.

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Extra Curricular Clubs w/b - 11.06.2018

Monday - Y5/Y6 Football, Premier Sports 'Multi Sports' after school club

Tuesday - Premier Sports KS1 Football after school club, KS1 Irish Dancing after school club, Chaplains (**lunch**)

Thursday - Premier Sports Cheerleading after school,

Friday - Y4-6 Rugby

Dates for your diary - up until July 2018

13th June - P.T.F.A. Meeting @ 6:15pm

29th June - St Peter & Paul Mass @ 9:30am Parents & Parishioners

29th June- P.T.F.A. - Summer Fayre @3:30pm

4th July- Parent Lunch YR @ 11:45am

5th July - Mission Day (Houses) Wear clothes suitable for art.

6th July - Mission Day (Houses) Wear clothes suitable for art.

9th July - Leavers Yr 6 Play @ 2:00pm & 6:00pm

11th July - 13th July -Yr 6 @ The Briars (2 nights)

13th July - End of year Reports to Parents

18th July - Leavers Mass for Yr6 and their families @ 6:00pm

19th July - PTFA Disco KS1 - 5:00pm - 6:00pm

KS2 - 6:15pm - 7:15 pm

23rd July - End of year Awards Assembly 9:15am

24th July - Sports Day morning @ 9:30 - approx. 11:30am

24th July - Final Liturgy of the Year @2:30pm

24th July - Pupils Break up for Summer

25th July - INSET DAY

A final thought

Back yourself to achieve great things. Be the difference for you and other people.

Hope you have had a lovely weekend,

Yours sincerely,

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