



The Thursday Green 'Un

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Welcome Back

We hope you all had a lovely holiday with your families, it is a shame the sun didn't shine a bit more! Well here we are again in the last half term of the year! We can't believe that we are nearly at the end of our tenth year at WCM. Time passes so quickly! As usual, we have plenty happening over the next 7 weeks, which we will keep you informed of in our weekly edition of the Green 'Un. You will receive a letter before the holidays about class organisation for next year. We have deliberately let you know earlier this year to enable your children to get to know their new teacher before they move in September. Please take time to say hello to your child's new teacher. If you have any questions about next year, please call and see us.

Sports Days

It's that time of the year again...WCM Sports Days! This week we have hosted Nursery to Year 2 over 2 days. They were very successful, the children were amazing. Thank you to all the families who came along to support.

Next Tuesday is Sports Day for the older children.

Y3 & Y4 – **Tuesday 12th June am**

Y5 & Y6 - **Tuesday 12th June pm**

You may wish to bring a blanket or deck chair so you're comfortable. We will need families to stay in the viewing area and support the children as they take part in the events. Please note that we will be using the entrance on Shirecliffe Road (directly onto the field) as the entrance and exit point for parents.

Crucible Summer School

Does your child show a particular flair for acting? If they are aged between 9 and 12

they can come along to the Crucible Theatre and learn new theatre skills, gain confidence and make new friends, whilst discovering more about theatre. Children will get a chance to have a go at a range of exciting skills including movement singing and clowning. You need to commit to the whole week and it will be free if you are in receipt of benefits or DLA. If you want more information call in to school and see Gillie Lane.

Active Travel Challenge

Exciting News!!!! Get your walking shoes ready because 'The 10 Day Active Travel Challenge' for the summer term begins on 11th June and runs until 22nd. We would like you to think of ways to travel to school in an active way...can you travel a different way each day? Why not walk, jog, cycle, scoot, and skip? Children will then put a sticker on their class chart each day and when they have collected 10 stickers they will win a prize. If you travel by car, you could park further away and if you come on the bus get off a stop earlier! That way your child can still collect their sticker! Let's get active for the summer!!

WCM does High School Musical!

So, we kicked off auditions with a bang before the holidays with over 40 Y6 actors and actresses auditioning to play roles in our end of year production, High School Musical.

We are so excited to embark on this new journey into the world of singing and dancing, this year is going to be the best performance we have ever done! Stay posted, as tickets will soon be on sale!

Camping Residential

A big thank you to all the families that came along to the meeting on Tuesday about the Y3 overnight camping residential. This is happening on **Thursday 28th – Friday 29th June**. We will leave school, spend the day in Chatsworth Gardens and then walk to Bakewell to our campsite. The deadline for paying and booking a place is **Friday 15th June**. This is to allow us time to make final arrangements for food orders and bookings. If you could not attend the meeting then call in to the office for more information and if you are worried about any aspect of the visit please come and talk to someone in school.

Uniform Orders

If you require new school uniform for your child in September your order needs to be into the office by next Monday 25th June to guarantee delivery for September. Order forms are in the office, please call into get one or ask any questions you may have.

Nursery Places

If you think you are entitled to the 30 hours FEL in Nursery in September please follow the link below to check. It is a complicated process, so if you need any support to work out what you need to do ask the Nursery team or Liz Graham in the office.

<https://childcare-support.tax.service.gov.uk>

Busy busy!

As usual this last half term will be very busy. We have the last residential of the year coming up for the Year 3 children as well as many visits across year groups. Please check your child's bags for letters that may be hidden away. If you think you have missed anything call in to the office to check or see your child's class teacher.

Book Amnesty

Although we have bought in over 1000 new books recently, we currently have 429 books that are overdue on loan. We cannot afford to keep replacing missing books so could you please have a look at home and see if you have any books with the Watercliffe Meadow stamp inside. These books belong to school so please return any that you find to allow other children to borrow them.

Teachers have been given lists of the books, and the children who have them, so please have a look in book bags to see if you can help us find any of the missing books. You can put them in the returned books box in your child's classroom, or on the table in the library.

Tips to Minimise Danger of Social Media

- Work through safety and privacy features on the apps that your child is using, or might use. Make sure they understand the point of these and how to use them. Don't be put off by believing your child knows more than you: the tools are actually quite easy to manage.
- Ask them to show you which social media apps they use and what they like about them. Talk about how they use them and what makes them so engaging.
- Explain how you can use privacy settings to make sure only approved friends can see posts & images.
- Check if any of their apps have 'geo-location' enabled, sharing their location unintentionally.
- Show them how to report offensive comments or block people who upset them.
- Check 'tagging' settings so that when others are posting or sharing photos online, your child's identity is not revealed. Also, get people's consent before sharing photos.
- Encourage your child to come and talk to you if they see anything that upsets them.

Things Coming Up...

12th June - Y3 & Y4 Sports Day AM

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28th – 29th June – Year 3 Camping Residential

29th June – Reports to families

12th July - Y6 Performance

16th July – WCM Summer Carnival

17th & 18th July – Silver Showroom

23rd July – Y6 Always Children Visit

19th July – Y6 Prom

24th July – Y6 Leaver's Assembly

We break up for the Summer Holidays at the end of the day on **Tuesday 24th July**.