



Watercliffe Meadow

# The Thursday Green 'Un

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## Community Week

Next week is our annual community week, this year we are focussing on our Golden Model and re-launching our circle times. Circle time is central to our Golden Model and part of every child's weekly timetable at Watercliffe Meadow, it is a time for the class to come together as a community and help each other solve any problems. During the week each class will be enjoying circle times discussions, games and practising the circle time skills. In keeping with Watercliffe Meadow tradition there will be voting for May Queen and Jack in the Green in each class, these will be celebrated during the Friday assembly. It is going to be a fantastic week, if you have any questions please see your child's class teacher.

## ASD & ADHD 2<sup>nd</sup> Workshop

Has your child had a diagnosis? Or maybe you have some concerns, but haven't had a diagnosis? Come and join us on 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2018, 9-10am. This is our second workshop. If you came to the first workshop this is a chance to meet us all again and discuss other topics. If you did not attend the previous workshop you are welcome to come along and find out more. We will share information from the first workshop.

You will meet Katie Stewart, Clinical Psychologist from CAMHS and Sarah Flanagan, Family Intervention Worker from MAST, to share your story and see what support is out there for you to access.

## Parent Governor

We have 2 parent Governor positions that have come to the end of their terms. They are currently being filled very well, by Damien D'Arcy and Kerry Wiggington. Both

Kerry and Damien are willing to stand again to continue the good work they have been doing but if anyone else is interested in taking up the position please come to the office to express your interest. Anyone who is interested needs to see Liz Graham or Claire Bradley by Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April. If we have more than 2 people interested there will be an election opened up to everyone to vote.

## Learning Across School

The week in F1 we have been playing in our hospital role-play area. Children were wrapping bandages around each other and pretending to give medicine and injections. If you feel ill then come along and let our children look after you!

In F2 we are very excited because the caterpillars have arrived. We are going to watch them grow and change. We have been learning all about their life cycles and how they change into butterflies. We will keep you updated on their progress.

We are really excited about our topic this half term in Y1. This week we are writing information about mammals. Did you know that all mammals give birth to live babies? When we find out more information we will let you know.

Last Wednesday, Y4 went into town to explore what the city centre has to offer. The weather was gorgeous and we enjoyed discovering new things in familiar surroundings, such as the gargoyles on the cathedral and the gold statue at the top of the Town Hall.

We spotted the Women of Steel statue outside the City Hall and looked at art, old and new, in the Millennium Gallery and Graves Gallery. After lunch in the Peace

Gardens, we conducted surveys to find out what people think of Sheffield. The children were wonderfully polite when they approached members of the public and many people commented how well behaved they were. It was really interesting to see all of the amazing attractions Sheffield has to offer.

### **Easter Reads**

We have already had over 50 Easter Read sheets returned, well done! Reading at home is essential to language development and supports children to write and grow their imagination. The deadline for this challenge is tomorrow, Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April.



### **Castleton Residential**

The dates of the Y6 residential are Monday 21<sup>st</sup> – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May and the cost is £110. Deposit of £10 needs to be paid by tomorrow, Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April to secure a place and full payment made by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May.

### **Fire Fighter Collection**

The Fire Fighter Charity will be collecting clothes on **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May**. If you have any spare clothes please bring them into school. The money raised goes into school funds.

### **Change of Contact Details?**

Have you recently changed your address or phone number? If so can you please let school know so we can update our records. There have been a couple of times recently where we have tried to contact parents and have not been able to. If you have applied for a Nursery place and have changed address we also need to know as letters are sent out to the address you put on the Nursery application form.

### **Books!**

If you have got any reading books at home from the Easter Read that belong to school and you are no longer reading them could you please return them. The books we have in school are falling in numbers at the moment...which is great because it means more children are reading, but we do need them back when you have finished! If you think we are short of any particular types of

books please let Kerry Heap know, she loves shopping, especially for books!

### **Royal Wedding**

To celebrate the upcoming Royal Wedding in F2 we are holding our own Royal Wedding but we need your help! We need donations of pretty dresses, shoes and wedding related stuff (head dresses, handbags etc) please. We can return if you need them back.

### **Friends of Watercliffe**

Would you like to take more of an active role in helping us to raise funds for school and having a say on what we spend it on? Come along to our Friends of Watercliffe Meadow meeting on **Thursday 3rd May at 9am in the Cafe**, everyone welcome. Refreshments will be available.

### **Nursery Places**

Our Nursery team will soon be sorting out places for children who are 3 years old and ready to start in September. If you have already filled in an application form then you will be contacted soon with a time and date for a home visit. If you have not registered your child for Nursery or know any of your friends or family that have 3 year olds not attending Nursery, call in to the office for an application form. Children are admitted in date of birth order and we currently have spaces for September in all 4 of our sessions. We will also be offering the 30 hour free early learning places.

### **Golden Time**

There are some great activities available for Golden Time this term. Golden Time is available for all children who follow the Golden Rules in school all week. Children sign up to Golden Time on a Monday morning and can choose from over 20 different activities ranging from football, dodge ball, baking and even specialised activities such as cycle speedway and 'Pringle ping-pong'. Why not ask your child what they are doing this week? Some children will be on track at the end of the summer term to get their Gold Badge for losing no Golden Time all year! What a great achievement!

