



# The Thursday GREEN 'UN

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## The End of the Year!

Here we are at the end of another school year that has seen so many memories, lots of learning and endless fun and laughter. It has been a pleasure to share in your children's learning journey this year. There are always ups and downs but also some incredible moments along the way!

It is with a tear in our eyes that we say good-bye to our wonderful Year 6 children as they move on to comprehensive school in September. We wish them every success in the next part of their journey. We ask one thing of you Year 6 children...remember all we have ever said about Golden Rules and life skills and most of all remember the 'world is yours' and you can be who you want to be!

We would like to say an enormous well done to the cast and choir who joined together to make such a memorable performance of High School Musical. Under the skilful guidance of Miss Heap, the children performed their hearts out. It was a real team effort from the actors and the back stage team. Some of our children definitely need to make sure they join a drama group when they get to secondary school. It is so rewarding watching the children perform and we are all very proud of them. A big thank you to all the staff who played a part in making the performance possible, to Hillsborough College for hosting us and to all the families who came along to watch.

Goodbye, Hello and Congratulations!

We will be sad to be saying goodbye to **Hannah Mallinson, Callum Hiron** and **Natalia Hall** in July. Hannah and Callum are re-locating to their respective hometowns and Natalia is going to Newcastle to complete a PhD. We wish them all success and hope they will stay in touch with us!

**Martin Steele** is joining us as a teacher in Y4. Martin has worked at Watercliffe before as a teaching assistant and sports coach and left to become a teacher. After 3 years at another school, he is coming home to Watercliffe!

We have 2 weddings over the holidays. Jodie Moxam and Emily Fry are both tying the knot with their partners. We wish them both the best of luck and hope they enjoy their special day.

Jen O'Brien

It is with great sadness that we have received the news that Jen O'Brien passed away last Thursday. Jen worked at Busk Meadow as Deputy and then Head Teacher for many years. When we opened at WCM she helped us set up and supported staff, especially around reading. She was so committed to the families and children of Shirecliffe. She trained, shaped and supported many staff and her values and love still run through WCM today. Our thoughts are with her family. The funeral is on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> July, 10.15 at Hutcliffe Wood then after at the Robin Hood pub. Anyone is welcome to attend.

Theatre Visit

On Friday, some lucky Y4s visited Sheffield Theatres for the morning. We had a tour of their three theatre spaces - Crucible, Studio and Lyceum and went backstage. We learned about the different types of stages and how important the people who work backstage are! We were let loose in the costume department, where we tried on all sorts of costumes, from fur coats to army uniforms! We then did a workshop, where children chose from lighting, costume, acting, singing and dancing, ending with a performance. What a morning!

Silver Showroom

I know we say this every year but...the films we showed at the Showroom Cinema this week have been amazing. Watching the journey across school was great and shows just what amazing things happen at WCM. The looks of the children's faces, the happiness oozing out and the learning experiences is second to none! Thank you to our families who went along to support and share the experience.

## Y6 Maths & English Study Books

Now that the SATs are all over the Y6 team have asked if families can return the study books that were given out at the beginning of the year. These can then be redistributed in September to support the learning of the current Y5 children.

## Milk Orders

If your child wants to have milk in September, orders need to be in to Sue Bibby by **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> July**. The cost of milk for the term will be £13.32.

## Dinner Money

The cost of a school dinner will remain at £2.00 next year for all children from Y3-6. Children up to Y2 are entitled to a free dinner. If you think you may be able to apply for Free School Meals please call in and see us. This applies to families in Y2 and below as well as this will bring in additional funding to school.

## Breakfast Club

If your child is currently in Reception please can we remind you that once your child is in Y1 they are able to stay for breakfast without parental supervision on any day. Children in Reception from September need to sign up for Breakfast club with Jodie Moxam. If you have any queries regarding breakfast club please speak to the office team who are happy to help.

## Golden Time

Tomorrow is the last Golden Time of this academic year. Over the summer staff will be thinking about what Golden Time activity they would like to do in September and how to make the existing activities even shinier! Miss Oxley would like to run a 'Barbies and dolls' activity in September so if you have any unwanted Barbies, dolls or dolls houses at home then we would be very happy to have them in school. If your child has any ideas for new Golden Time activities then please let us know.

## Uniform

Don't forget to call into the office to order your uniform for September. Please remember that **all sweatshirts and cardigans MUST have the WCM logo** – the uniform at your school is compulsory! We do keep some in stock but it may be worth picking up an order form from the office just to check they have everything you need!

Indoor shoes must always be worn in school.

This is to try and keep our carpets clean and dry across the year. Children will be expected to change into their indoor shoes every morning.

PE kits also need to be in school for your child's PE sessions. Individual class PE days will be sent home again in September. For indoor PE children will work in bare feet and will need shorts and a white T-shirt. For outdoor PE children can wear shorts or a track suit and must have trainers to wear. Children will not be allowed to do PE in anything other than trainers. We will have spare kit in school and children will have to use the spare kit if they do not bring it from home. The office will be phoning home if PE kit is not in school and this will also be recorded in your child's readiness for learning record.

## Summer Carnival

We would like to say a big thank you to all the families who came along to our Summer Carnival on Monday. We had all the usual favourites and some new additions to the fun. As with most things we do it would not be possible without the support from staff, volunteers, donation from families and of course the organisation from Liz. Altogether we made an amazing profit of **£1471**. This will be put into school fund. Thank you for your support.

## School Fund

As you know we regularly have fundraising events in school (not all on such a big scale as the Carnival). Across the year we have used the money to subsidise visits and residentials as well as Playground refurbishments (grass etc), prizes for golden stamps/tickets, the fish tank outside Learning Mentors room and the Library refurbishment.

## Year 6 Prom

This special event is tonight at SWFC. We can't wait to see our lovely Year 6 children dressed up and looking amazing! Lots of staff and Governors will be going along to celebrate the evening with them. We are all so excited at the prospect of seeing our children look so fabulous - if a little sad at the prospect of moving on!

Leavers' Assembly is Tuesday at **9.15**. Y6 families are invited to stay and join in with the memories – bring some tissues!

## Summer Holidays

We break up for the Summer Holidays at the end of the day on **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July**. School reopens to children on **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September**.

