



# The Thursday Green 'un

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## Parents Evening & WCM University Files

Thank you to all the families that came along to parents' evening yesterday, it was lovely seeing you sharing the learning your child has completed over the last year. This is the second year of our **WCM University Folders**. Most of you will have seen them in development at previous parents' evenings. We are already thinking of how we can make the WCM University Folders even better for next year but we would value your feedback and thoughts on what you like about them and any suggestions for improvements next year. The feedback slip went out with the reports yesterday. We hope that the folder is something that you will want to keep and look back on in future years and we look forward to receiving your feedback.

## Aladdin

The finishing touches are being put to the Y6 play, Aladdin.

We are very lucky to be able to use the theatre space at Hillsborough College on Livesey Street again this year for our production. We will be having two performances at the college – these will be on **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July at 1pm (doors open 12:45pm)** and **at 7pm (doors open 6:30pm)**. The production is in two Acts, and there will be a short interval between them. Refreshments are available at the theatre. Tickets are now on general sale in the office and are priced at £3 each. We thank you for your support in advance, and very much look forward to this event.

## Y3 Camping Adventure

The Y3s set off on their camping adventure today. The day was spent in Chatsworth Gardens having fun in the sun before a long walk to Bakewell. We will give a full report in next weeks Green 'Un.

## Learning Across School

Our role play area in **Nursery** for the last 2 weeks has had a camping/ holiday theme.

The children have really enjoyed cooking on the bbq and pretending to sleep in the tent. We are practicing for when we get to Y3 and go camping to Bakewell!

In **F2** we have sent home a 10 minute shake up poster. The children have been in the hall and have practiced doing the exercises and are now experts. Please send us your shake up selfies and we will blog you. Tell us which ones you have done.

In **Y1** we have been investigating some poo that Mrs Morton found in her garden (obviously not real poo!) We wanted to find out what kind of animal it was from. We found bones, skin and lots of seeds. It was very interesting!

In **Y3** we have been looking at the properties of 3D shapes and then using this information to make 3D shapes with modelling clay and straws. Some of us found it harder than others!

**Y4** had a fantastic time at the Yorkshire Wildlife Park on Friday! We spent the morning looking at all of the animals, learning more about their habitats and behaviour. The baboons in particular were such fun to watch as they stole food from each other and jumped around. After lunch, we had a workshop about endangered species and how to conserve them. It was really interesting to discover why so many animals are becoming extinct and we are all more aware now of how to look after them.

In between all the excitement around the play, the **Y6** children have also been busy preparing for secondary school. They are off spending time in a number of different Secondary Schools across Sheffield becoming familiar with their new surroundings. We hope they have a great time and spread the WCM specialness!

## Fairshare

As some of you may know we have a delivery from Fairshare every Wednesday afternoon in school. From this delivery we take things out that can be

used for the children in school or on residentials and the rest we make available for a small donation.

We are going to create a small number of food parcels each week for families who need them. If you would benefit from a parcel please call in and ask to speak to Claire Bradley or Jayne Senior and they will be allocated on a similar basis to how the food bank works. Any remaining food will still be in reception at the end of the day.

### **After School Activities**

We are just in the process of compiling the list of After School Activities for September. We will be offering the usual options of Computers, Cross Country, Little Cooks and SWFC but would like to add more variety to the list. Have you got any ideas of what we could do? Do you know anyone who could deliver different activities to the children? If you do please call in and let us know.

### **Summer Carnival**

Our Summer Carnival this year will be on **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2.00pm – 4.00pm**. We have been blessed with lovely weather in the past and we have our fingers crossed again for this year. As with most things we do, this event will only be successful with the help and support of our community.

#### **How You Can Help:**

- If you are having a clear out, please donate any toys, games or books for us to sell on our Nearly New Toy Stall. These must be in excellent condition – no jumble please! Bring to school from **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July**.
- Cakes and buns – please do some baking for us to sell on our Cake Stall. Bring to school on the morning of the Carnival.
- We also need prizes for our raffle and tombola stall. If you have any unwanted gifts, or non-perishable food items, tins etc. bring these to school from **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July**.
- We do need helpers on the day from 12 noon to prepare and set up, and to help with stalls. If you can spare some time to help us on the day, please see Liz Graham in the School Office.

### **Holidays**

As you will probably know school is not allowed to authorise any holidays during term time for anyone. This advice is given by the local authority and it is the local authority who decide if fines are issued. We do recognise that for families this is difficult. If you are thinking of booking a holiday for

next year the best time to take children out of school is in the last half term as this will have the least impact on learning. If you would like to discuss this please call in to school to see Mrs Bradley.

### **False / Acrylic Nails**

There have been a number a cases in school of children wearing false or acrylic nails. Can we please remind you that this is not part of our uniform policy and they are not allowed to be worn by children. We will be resending the Dress Code Policy home in the new academic year. If you have any questions please call in and see us.

### **Overdue Books**

We have almost 500 books listed as overdue from our school library. Some of these may be in school but many will be in homes around Shirecliffe. Can you please have a look at home for any books with the Watercliffe Meadow stamp inside and return them to school so that other children can read them too please? Thank you.

### **Parkwood Uniform**

There is an alternative date for the 'uniform try on' date for Parkwood students as the original clashes with the Year 6 show at Hillsborough College and will affect some of our students. An additional date has been set to coincide with our Carnival. Uniform try on will now also be at Watercliffe between 3pm and 5pm on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July, the date of our Summer Carnival.

### **After School Activities**

There will be no after school activities on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July, as all staff will be busy at the Summer Carnival.

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.

### **Things Coming Up...**

**4<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> July** - Y3 Camping Residential

**5<sup>th</sup> July** - Reports to families

**11<sup>th</sup> July** - Y6 Performance

**17<sup>th</sup> July** – WCM Summer Carnival

**16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> July** – Silver Showroom

**18<sup>th</sup> July** – Y6 Prom

**22<sup>nd</sup> July** – Y6 Always Children Visit

**23<sup>rd</sup> July** – Y6 Leaver's Assembly

We break up for the Summer Holidays at the end of the day on **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July**.