



The Thursday Greenation

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Beacons Lantern Procession



Thank you to all the families who came to the Lantern Parade at Parkwood Springs on Saturday evening. We had such a fantastic turn out

and it was so lovely to see so many members of Watercliffe Meadow at a community event. The parade through the woods was great and then to see the multi-coloured spider at the very end of the event was amazing! Thank you all!!

F1s Visit to Sundown Adventure

What a fantastic time we had at Sundown Adventure Land on Wednesday with the F1s. We went on lots of rides and enjoyed looking at all the little fairy tale houses linked to the stories we have been reading in nursery. We shouted, "Who's been eating my porridge?" in the Three Bears' house and "I'll huff and I'll puff and I'll blow your house down!" outside the House of Bricks. We were so well behaved, all our teachers were very proud of us! We are little superstars!

Y6 Basketball Team



We would like to say an enormous well done to the team of six Y6 children who took part in a game of Basketball at the half time interval of the Sheffield

Sharks game at Ponds Forge on Friday evening. They played amazingly well as a team and got stronger as the game went on. Unfortunately, they lost 1 basket to 0 but it was such a special experience. Miss Heap

and Mrs Bradley (Team Coaches ha ha!) were very proud of them.

Christmas Cards

Remember to return your Christmas card decoration and orders by next Friday, 25th October in order to have them produced. Any queries please contact Liz Graham.

Family Photos

The photographers are coming in to school on **Monday 28th October**, the first Monday of the holidays, to take family group photographs. We have organised this again to give you the opportunity to bring older siblings and extended family members in to school. We have requested 2 photographers to make the waiting time shorter. Please return your slip to book a place.

Ready for Whirlow

The Y2 children are getting excited about their residential next week to Whirlow Hall Farm. On Monday Miss Wayper's class will set off on their first WCM overnight stay with Miss Gibson's class going Wednesday. Remember we will be outside whatever the weather so warm clothes and wellies are essential. We will be writing a report for the Green 'Un next week and also making a film. You can follow our adventure on Facebook.

Hillsborough Park All Wheeled Bike Park

Sheffield City Council is working in partnership with Access Sport and Sheffield Hallam University to propose a new open access, off-road, community all wheeled bike park based in Hillsborough Park.

We're currently seeking feedback on the proposal from the local community and users of the Park. Your views and opinions are important to us and we would appreciate you taking 5

minutes to complete the survey via the link below.

<http://bit.ly/hillsboroughbikepark>

For more information contact the Parks & Countryside Service on 0114 2500500 or email parksandcountryside@sheffield.gov.uk

Self Harm Workshop

Parkwood Academy are hosting a wellbeing workshop/information evening for parents, carers and other significant adults who support young people who self-harm. This is taking place on Wednesday 23rd October, call 2310221 or visit www.eventbrite.co.uk

Children In Need

We will be selling Children In Need merchandise in the office after the holidays. The actual fundraising day is **Friday 15th November**, we will let you know nearer the time what we plan to do in school.



10 Day Active Travel Challenge

We hope you are enjoying thinking of different ways to be active on your way to school and that you are remembering to stick the foot stickers on your classroom chart. For the last week of the challenge (14th-18th October) we are sending home a Walk to School I Spy sheet for you to complete. How many boxes can you fill in? Remember you can walk, jog, skip, scoot or bike to school and if you come in the car, you can still get a sticker if you park at least a 5 minute walk away!

Maths Games Week

Week Beginning Monday 21st October

On the last week of this half term, classes in school (with the exception of Y2 due to Whirlow) will be running maths games in their classrooms every morning until 9.15am. All parents are invited to join their child and watch them play or join in the games. This will allow parents to learn some games that can be used at home to develop times tables knowledge and number bond knowledge. The classes will be open every day to allow parents to drop in with children in different year groups. Y1 maths games will run Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

We hope as many of you will join us in playing the games.

Supervision Outside

Just a reminder that we supervise children in Breakfast Club from 8.00am and out on the yard from 8.40am. Please make sure you have a conversation with your child about being in the right place to ensure they stay safe. We have

had children unsupervised on the yards quite early before school over the last week and we wanted to take this opportunity to remind you of safe places for your child to be. We will also remind children in assembly.

Applying for a Secondary School Place

If you have not already done so, then this half term is the time to apply for a place for your child at secondary school for September 2020. You can do this online at www.sheffield.gov.uk/pupiladmissions or by filling in a paper form (you can request one of these by phoning Secondary Admissions on **0114 2735790**). Applications close at the end of October.

Applying for a Reception School Place

Applications for a place in Reception September 2020 are now being accepted. If you do not complete a form or apply online you will not be offered a place at a Sheffield school. Places are not "reserved" at your catchment area school. Forms need to be completed by 15th January 2019.

Remember if your child is on our Nursery it does not guarantee you a place in school so please make sure you apply on time.

Nursery Places

If you have a child at home who is not yet three years old please make sure you register them for Nursery. Once you have filled in the form just drop it back to school and the Nursery staff will contact you to arrange a home visit, usually within the term of their 3rd birthday.

We now offer 30 hours for families that are eligible, please ask in the office for more information.

Halloween at WCM

This year we will be having a 'Halloween' themed day at WCM on **Friday 25th October**, just before we break up for half term! Children (and adults) can come dressed 'spookily' and there will be 'cosy reads' and themed activities for all children during the day! Further details will follow in the Green 'Un!

Half Term

We finish for the October Half Term break on **Friday 25th October** and return to school on **Monday 4th November**.

INSET Day: Wednesday 27th November