



Summer 1 Newsletter

April 2017

Welcome to the first e-copy only Plover Primary School Newsletter. I hope you all had a good Easter break. I did detect some sunshine during the holiday but we have come back to a forecast of snow. Such is the British weather! As always, the Summer Term is going to be a busy one with lots of events happening.

Please remember to keep in contact via Our School App, my blog and the school website to ensure you are up to date with all the latest communications from school.

We are hoping to renovate some of the children's toilets as well as updating 4 more classrooms. In addition to this we are hoping to bring our IT suite up to date and give it a technological make-over.

We look forward to welcoming you into school to one of the many events happening over the next 3 months. I will also be updating my blog on a weekly basis. If you would like any further information, please get in touch. After all, we are your local community school.

<http://ploverheadteacher.wordpress.com>

S Bowler
Headteacher

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: The future of the world is the classroom today – Ivan Fitzwater

ATTENDANCE

Current attendance from September is remaining static at 95.6%. We are still hoping to reach our target of 96.5% by the end of the Summer Term. In addition we are working with the Attendance and Welfare Service to reduce the number of children arriving late. This does hinder pupil progress for late comers and disrupts the rest of the class. Congratulations to Class 4P who won this terms attendance award by just 0.1% from class 2O. I wonder what they will spend their £50 prize on?

Uniform & Earrings

School policy is that children must not wear any items of jewellery, for example earrings, finger rings or other personal decoration at school. There is a risk of valuable items being lost and we cannot give time to search for them. If you wish your child to have pierced ears please arrange for this to be done at the beginning of the Summer break to allow time for healing before school resumes in September. Full details on uniform expectations can be found on our website and school app.

Any parents/carers wishing to purchase uniform can do so at the school office where Plover Primary logo polo-shirts (£6.25), sweatshirts (£8.00) and cardigans (£9.00) are available for purchase. We will be using ParentPay to pay for school uniform purchases after the half term. Please ask at the office if you have any queries on your account or set up information as we move forward to put extra items such as trips and uniform to the system in the near future.

It is important that children have their clothing named in the label, especially in the summer months when children are taking off their coats, jumpers & cardigans in order for lost property to be returned to the correct child and avoid any upset.

PUNCTUALITY/LATENESS

Can we again remind parents that the school day starts at **8:50am**. There are some families routinely arriving at school after this time. School is required to monitor children's punctuality and attendance and high levels of poor punctuality and absences can result in a referral to the local authority Attendance Team. We understand that there may be rare occasions when you are unavoidably late due to unforeseen circumstances. On these occasions please make sure that

you contact the school office to inform us when your child will arrive.

Local Authority Attendance and Welfare Service regularly undertake "late gates" where they speak to parents who are bringing their children into school late and stress to them the importance of good punctuality.

KEY STAGE 1 and KEY STAGE 2

Doors are opened at 8:50am and are closed when the last child in the class line has been admitted and locked by 8:55am. If your child arrives after 8:50am they must sign in at the school office. School Staff will record the child's name, time of arrival and reason for lateness.

FOUNDATION STAGE

Parents can bring their children at 8:40am and take part in educational activities before school starts at 8:50am. The door will be locked when the last child in the class line has been admitted.

NURSERY SESSIONS

The morning nursery session starts promptly at 8:45am. The afternoon session starts promptly at 12:30pm Please ensure that your child arrives on time.

To comply with Safeguarding policies and procedures all perimeter gates are locked once the school day has started and will be unlocked at the end of the day to allow parents access to collect their children. During this time access to the school site is via the entrance on Coniston Road only.

Late pick up at the end of the school day

We expect every pupil to be picked up on time at the end of the school day. If you are going to be late collecting your child from school at **3:25pm** please contact the school office so we can ensure that your child remains safe. If your child is left uncollected, every effort will be made to contact you or other emergency contacts. If we are unable to contact anyone / or don't hear from you then your child will be placed with the After School staff and there will be a charge for the child care provided.

KEY STAGE SATS TESTS

KS2 SATs week for our Year 6 pupils will be Monday 8th May to Thursday 11th May 2017.

KS1 SATs for our Year 2 pupils will take place throughout the month of May.

Year 1 phonics screening will take place during week beginning 12th June 2017.

WATER BOTTLES

Can you please ensure that your child comes to school with their own water bottle, preferably one with a 'sports cap'. It is particularly important that children have access to drinking water as we approach the summer months and the weather gets warmer.

CLASS PHOTOGRAPHS

The school photographer will be in school on Friday 5th May to take class group photographs. There will not be an opportunity on this occasion for individual photographs to be taken.

CONTACT DETAILS

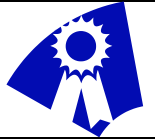
Please ensure that you keep your contact details up to date, especially your emergency contacts. If there have been any changes to your telephone numbers, address or contacts, please call into school and complete a new contact form.

It is essential that in cases of emergency we can contact someone who will be able to come into school if necessary.

We still have a number of pink data collection sheets not returned to school so please ensure these are handed in immediately.



AWARDS



The following children were awarded the Pride of Plover Award during the last half term.

Adam H	Corey E	Kenzie B	Olivia G
Alesha M	Craig-Junior	Kia-Leigh	Owen W
Alfie M	Darcy R	Kye B	Phoebe A
Alise M	Demi-Lea M	Kyle B	Pratik R
Alisha H	Diya Y	Kyren M	Remi
Amelia C	Dylan P	Lacie B	Rhys C
Amelie D	Eleanor D	Lea	Riley S
Amy C	Elizabeth R	Lenia	Riley T
Anastasija	Elliann T	Liam W	Romiohang
Anez A	Emily H	Lilly C	Rosie C
Arwa S	Esther	Lola-Rose B	Russell N
Austin D	Freya C	Lucas B	Sahib S
Bethany B	Freya W	Lucas E	Savannah R
Bradley E	Grace W	Lucas-John	Scarlett E
Braxton	Gracie W	Luke W	Shang B
Brett	Harvey B	Lyncon W	Shena N
Bri-Leigh	Jack D	Madison R	Sienna S
Brody F	Jack H	Madison W	Sophie W
Brogan	Jai B	Maisie-Ella R	Susie C
Brooke	James S	Maison J	Syithan
Cailey	Jasmine H	Maisy W	Taylor Y
Cayden	Jaspinder S	Mathew P	Teegan B
Cejay	Jayden P	Melek A	Tilly L
Charlie L	Jayden W	Millie W	Tyler M
Charlie-May	JosephR	Mohamad J	William D
Chloe A	Joshua F	Nate N	William R
Chloe J	Joshua S	Nicole Z	Yousaf S
Coby L	Julia U	Numa L	Zara K
Colbie B	Junior C	Oliver H	
	Katie H		

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

MAY	
Monday 1 st May	Bank Holiday - School closed to pupils
Thursday 4 th May	Local Elections in small hall - School OPEN to pupils
Friday 5 th May	Class group photographs
Monday 8 th May to Thursday 11 th May	SATs - Year 6 pupils
Tuesday 9 th May	FS2 Meet a creature day in school
Wednesday 10 th May	Y4 Trip to Moorland Discovery Centre
Thursday 11 th May	Bags2School collection
Thursday 18 th May	Y1 Trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park
Friday 19 th May	Danum Performing Arts - Y5 & 6
Wednesday 24 th May	Merit Assembly A (am) - Invited Parents
Thursday 25 th May	Merit Assembly B (am) - Invited Parents
Friday 26 th May	SCHOOL INSET DAY - School closed to pupils
Friday 26 th May to Friday 2 nd June	MAY HALF TERM - School closed to pupils
JUNE	
Monday 5 th June	School reopens to pupils - 8:50am
Tuesday 6 th June	Road safety in school
Thursday 8 th June	General Election
Monday 12 th June to Friday 16 th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening week
Monday 12 th June	KS2 dress rehearsal for Panto
Tuesday 13 th June	F2 Cannon Hall Farm visit
Wednesday 14 th June	School panto Production 6:30pm
Thursday 15 th June	School panto Production 6:30pm Phonics for parents 5pm
Wednesday 21 st June	Theatre group in school
Thursday 22 nd June to Monday 26 th June	Y5 & 6 Residential trip to Northumberland
Wednesday 28 th June	Opera North concert at the Dome
JULY	
Monday 3 rd July	Y6 Transition week 1
Tuesday 4 th July	Bike It - Bike it Day
Monday 10 th July	Y6 Transition week 2 - Activity week Tailgate theatre group in school
Tuesday 11 th July	KS1 Celebration Assembly 2:30pm Y6 Performance
Wednesday 12 th July	KS2 Celebration Assembly 2:15pm
Friday 14 th July	Report Cards out
Monday 17 th July	Attendance Trip - Further details to follow
Tuesday 18 th July	FS Sports Day AM
	KS2 Sports Day PM
	Y6 Leavers Party 5:30pm
Wednesday 19 th July	KS1 Sports Day AM Foundation Stage Teddy Bears Picnic
Friday 21 st July	Y6 Leavers Assembly 10am Break up for Summer Holidays

Some of these dates and times may be subject to change. Other activities may be added at a later date. Any changes will be notified to you in due course. Please download the Plover Primary App to make sure you are kept up-to-date with any changes and additions.