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*Following the example of Jesus, together we learn, love and respect one another
to be the best we can be.*

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Dear Parents/Carers

Well done to our amazing Year 6 children who have worked incredibly hard both in their preparations and during each of the tests this week. Each and every one of the children demonstrated highly commendable attitudes during all tests and gave their very best. Well done, we are very proud of you all for your efforts not just this week, but throughout all of your learning.

The children thoroughly enjoyed the breakfasts and we would like to thank Miss Fielding for helping with this and for allowing us to 'take over' her kitchen! Thank you also to Mrs Layzell for helping out every day.

Thank you to our families for your encouragement, support and prayers and the staff who have supported and encouraged them. We now look forward to enjoying the remainder of the summer term, supporting the transition to high school and with many exciting activities planned creating many more lasting, happy memories of primary school.

Today, to celebrate our Year 6 went for lunch at The Villa. Many thanks to Mr & Mrs Cafasso for their hospitality.

This week children have also made some lovely flowers for the statue of Our Lady in the reception area.

PTA Chocolate Bingo - thank you so much to everyone who came to support this on Friday after School last week. We raised an amazing £190 which will go straight back to school. You all looked as though you were having a great time...and all but demolished the mountain of chocolate!! In case you were worried about the fate of any that was leftover, it will be used at the Spring Happening this Sunday 20th May which sounds great and it would be wonderful if you were able to support it - see poster on the main door for details. Please also remember to bring in weekly items for the summer fair as per the newsletter dated 3rd May...thank you'.

14th May - Bottle of any drink



21st May - Sweets

4th June - Sporty items - tennis ball/football

11th June - General tombola prizes

Welcome to our "new" Reception children & families

Last night we held our Intake Evening to welcome our existing and new families who have children starting with us in September. It was lovely to meet and welcome them all and a chance for our new families to meet our teaching staff.

Thank you to all the school staff involved in the preparations for the evening and for their attendance on the night. We also thank Miss Fielding for the presentation of meals, Mr Evans for representing the Governors and Mrs Carr for representing the Friends of SSMJ.

We look forward to welcoming our new children to their initial visits to school after half term.

Year 2 Special Booklets

Well done to our year 2 children who this week have completed some of their special booklets. They will be doing the rest next week. They have worked so hard and we are very proud of every single one of them



Animal Olympics

Well done to some of our Year 1 & 2 children who went at Oakhill on Monday to compete in the Animal Olympics. They took part in running, jumping and throwing and came home very triumphant with silver medals!!!! Fantastic. Thank you to Mrs Thornton who gave her time on her day off and to Mrs Layzell for taking them.

Royal Wedding Themed Lunch

On Thursday the children had a wonderful lunch to celebrate the upcoming Royal Wedding. Thank you to Miss Fielding and her team for their hard work with this. (pictures are on facebook)

Absence

As per the school policy, please can you ensure that you ring before 9.30am if your child is off sick. You must ring every day that they are off. For safeguarding purposes we need to ensure that the correct marks are given for attendance. We are also need to know that the children are safe if they have not arrived at school.

Health & well being week 21st May

This is a link to a FREE guide about 'Screen Addiction' - an issue which is affecting young people across the globe.

The guide created by the National Online Safety Team informs parents about the issues associated with smartphone and screen addiction amongst children and how they can help to control the associated risks and stop their children becoming 'Screen Zombies'.

<https://twitter.com/natonlinesafety/status/996772687132446721>

Please see the attachment regarding computer games.

Afterschool clubs.

Please ensure you sign up for coding and judo if you wish to take part after half term. Again, if coding does not have enough applicants, it will NOT go head. Please do not send in money unless the club goes ahead.

School trips and dinner Money

Please ensure you keep in credit with dinner money. If you receive a text to say that they are outstanding please pay this. School cannot cover the cost of unpaid dinners. Dinners may have to be stopped if payment is not made.

School trip consent letters must also be sent back to enable your child to go on the trip. This is a health and safety requirement and without these forms we cannot take the child. Mrs Wilkinson is spending quite a lot of time chasing up payments and/ or consent. Please ensure you check your child's bag for letters and any texts reminders that are sent out.

Sports Day

Thursday 24th May- Juniors (years 3,4,5 and 6) will start at 9.45am- Juniors can wear trainers
Infants (Reception, Y1 and Y2) will begin at 1.45pm- infants to wear their pe pumps.

Reception and Key Stage 1 sports day Thursday 24th May pm

The children will be doing a carousel of activities. They will be staying as a full class and moving around the stations as a full class, so that parents can follow their children.

The children will be wearing their PE t shirts linked to their coloured house teams. They will only be competing against each other on the running races, where they will get a sticker for coming 1st 2nd or 3rd, the other events won't be point scoring activities as we are emphasising the attitude of 'Have a go and have fun'.

Timetable on the day:

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2
1st activity	Track	Throwing and Egg & Spoon	Hurdles and jumping
2nd activity	Hurdles and jumping	Track	Throwing and Egg & Spoon
3rd activity	Throwing and Egg & Spoon	Hurdles and jumping	Track

Key Stage 2 Sports Day

KS2 will be working in classes in their house teams rotating round the 4 races.

They will then have competitive races (sprint for boys and girls, lower and upper juniors and a longer distance for boys and girls, lower and upper juniors).

Please can we ask that parents watch from the designated areas so that we can ensure we keep all of our children safe.



Diary Dates

Week beginning 21st May - Health and well-being week.

Monday 21st May - Netball Oakhill

Tuesday 22nd May - EYFS Coffee Morning

Tuesday 22nd May - Tag Rugby event

Wednesday 23rd May - EYFS Bikes & scooters

Thursday 24th May - Sports Day

Girls Football at Clitheroe Grammar - 4.00- 6.00pm

(Afterschool clubs are still on)

School Closes at 3.30pm

Friday 25th - INSET DAY

School Re opens- Monday 4th June for a 7 week half term

Mrs Z Mabbott

Headteacher

Celebration Assemblies

Friday 8th June - no class

Friday 15th June- Year 5

Friday 22nd June - Year 3

Friday 29th June- Celebration Assembly - no class

Friday 6th July- Year 2

Thursday 12th July - Y6 with Y5 Leaver's Play 6pm.

Friday 20th Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9.15am