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

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 Miss Smith & Mrs Venguedasalon, Mrs Sumner, Mrs Pennock, Mrs Webb & Mr Moon 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 Emporium. Thank you to the PTA for funding this lunch and to Imogen's Mum for making a celebration cake, it was enjoyed by all!



St Joseph's Penny

Thank you for all the donations. You have raised £98.00 Please do not send any more in as the money has now been banked.



Bags to school-

Every child has been given a bag. If they do not come home with them, please ask your child to check where it is. The collection date is 3rd June 8.30am.

Please do not send any bags in after this date as they cannot be taken.

Spare bags are in the main entrance



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.

Holiday requests

We have had a rise in holiday requests. Please be mindful that we will not authorise holidays or time off school unless it is in exceptional circumstances. Whilst we do not prevent you from going on holiday, your child will be marked down as unauthorised absence. As a school we encourage full attendance when possible to ensure the children receive a full education. Any leave must be applied for via a form from the office.

Health and wellbeing week

Next week is health & wellbeing week. Every morning Mrs Pennock will lead wake and shake on the school year from 8.45am. We now have some outside speakers which enable us to play music outside so the children can enjoy music whilst they play.

On Monday, Alfie's dad from reception will be giving an assembly about the charity he works for called Streethope and on Thursday Isla and Carys' Mum will be giving an assembly about 'plastic mission' We look forward to hearing about these causes.

Sports day will be held on Friday with the juniors in the morning at 9.45am and infants starting on the field at 1.45pm. The gates will be opened at 1.30pm to gain access.



Patrol

On Tuesday afternoon there will be no patrol crossing on Lowergate. Please ensure your children cross safely.

PTA Plea

A group of 4 of us (Caroline (Rosie & Heidi's Mum), Vic (Isabella & Felix's Mum), Mary (Genevieve & Benjamin's Mum) and Vina (Isabelle's Mum)) are walking the 'Three Peaks of Yorkshire' this September (in the words of our Whatsapp Group title...oh man what are we doing?!), and by doing so

we'd like to raise money for the PTA. If you can help by sponsoring us we'd be ever so grateful - please see the following link to justgiving - and thank you very much in anticipation.'
<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/cazvicmaryvina>

Parental feedback

Please see the attached feedback from our parents' evening questionnaire.

Next week

W/C 20 th May	Health and Well-being Week
Wednesday 22 nd May	Year 2 assembly 3.00pm
Thursday 23 rd May	EYFS coffee morning
Thursday 23 rd May	PM - Sponsored Sport event at school
Friday 24 th May	Sports Day- Juniors start 9.45am Infants start 1.45pm SCHOOL CLOSES FOR HALF TERM 3.30pm