

Federation of Penny Acres and Wigley Primary Schools Newsletter

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Welcome

Despite being a very short term, we have, as always, been exceptionally busy. Our Y6 children did themselves proud, tackling their SATs in their usual conscientious, determined manner and our Y2 children are equally as busy tackling theirs. Both schools are getting a lot of interest from families wanting to join, a sign that our school communities are moving from strength to strength. As always, this wouldn't be possible without your support. My open door policy continues and I look forward to sharing a 'cuppa' with you.

Dave Ratcliffe – Executive Headteacher

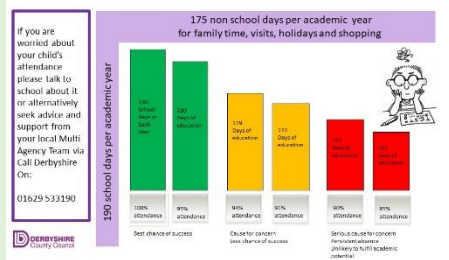
Key dates for diaries

Wed 22nd May – Drum Workshops for all children (free of charge).
Fri 24th May – INSET day (School closed to pupils).
Fri 24th May – School closes for half term.
Mon 3rd June- School reopens.
Mon 3rd June – Wed 5th June – Whitehall residential visit for Y5 and Y6.
Tues 11th June – Y1 and Y2 football festival at Derby County.
Wed 12th June – KS2 Anti-smoking talk (Healthy Schools)
Tues 18th June – Sports day (1:15pm – 3:15pm).
Thurs 20th June - Meeting for parents of new starters 5:30pm.
Thurs 27th June – Whole school trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park.
Wed 3rd July - Y5 and Y6 Rounders competition (AM).
Thurs 4th July – KS2 visit to Longshaw Estate.
Thurs 4th July - New Starter settling in afternoon (including lunch).
Sun 7th July – Summer Fair (times to be confirmed by PTFA).
Tues 9th July – Bag2School collection.
Wed 10th July – End of year performance and leaver's assembly – 5:30pm – venue to be confirmed.
Thurs 11th July – Y6 trip as a way of thanking them for their hard work (details to follow).
Fri 12th July – Annual reports to parents distributed.
Tues 16th July – End of year prom (PTFA event at the Fox and Goose).
Fri 19th July – Break up for Summer holiday.
Tues 3rd September – INSET day
Wed 4th September – Pupils return to school.



Good Attendance Means

being in school at least 95% of the time (between 180 & 190 days)



Attendance

Attendance is monitored each day and we set ourselves the target of 96% or above.
Below are both classes' attendance for the year so far.

Wigley REC/KS1 – 95.64%

Wigley KS2 – 97.27%

Wigley boys: 95.89%

Wigley girls: 97.49%

Summer fair support

Our PTFA is very busy finalising details for this year's Summer Fair, scheduled for Sunday 7th July. The more volunteers we get to help run the event, the easier and more enjoyable the day will be. Please speak to Emily McKinnon (chair of the PTFA) if you are able to offer your support.

WIGLEY NEWS

KS1 had a go at interpreting Van Gogh's "Starry Night."



Woofs and Wellies

My thanks to Darci Littlewood for organising a way of raising money for Ashgate Hospice at the recent 'Woofs and Wellies' event. My thanks also to her band of volunteers who helped on the day. You all did a great job!



As part of Year 6 Enterprise, there will be stalls after school 3.15pm-3.30pm, week commencing 10th June.

Parents and children will be able to buy a range of items made by the Y6 children and there will be some games stalls where the rest of the children will be invited to participate.



Our KS1 children enjoyed a very sunny trip to Conisbrough Castle as part of their topic on 'Fantastic Fairytales'.

A wonderful day was had by all.





KS2 Science experiment looking at how best to keep teeth clean.

Beautiful pink smiles boys!



Eggcellent eggs designed by the children who entered into our eggciting PTFA Egg Rolling competition.



Well done Henry for receiving the first full Wigley Pen licence of the year. His consistent effort with the Pupil Presentation Promise hasn't gone unnoticed.



School welcomed two visitors from Australia who spoke to the children about life down under. Fortunately, they managed to cope with the Wigley weather.....just!



It was great to see Wigley family members of the future enjoying the Easter festivities.

Watch out Juniors, there were some mean looking throws on display!



Our Y1 and Y2 children thoroughly enjoyed a trip to the gymnastics centre at Graves Leisure Centre.

The foam pit proved very popular as the children thought it was full of giant chips!



Has anybody seen a troll?



Making aliens out of salt dough.

Very messy!



Y3 and Y4 Tag Rugby



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Please continue to use our school APPs to keep updated on dates, times and events.
Please contact either school office if you require further information.