



NEWSLETTER – MAY 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

I am sincerely hoping that better weather is on its way and it starts to show itself soon!! Thank you for your continued support over these challenging times as we ease our way slowly out of the lockdown restrictions.

Mayor's Visit

On Friday we had a visit from the Mayor of Wakefield. The children were amazing and rose to the occasion. The Mayor was impressed by the children's behaviour and their maturity as he visited each year bubble throughout school. He was asked a range of questions relating to his term of office as the Mayor and his priorities moving forward. The school formed a guard of honour on the field as he left. Well done children, we were all so proud of you and I am sure the Mayor will take away fond memories of Dimple Well School.

Lost Property

We have approximately 50 plus cardigans and jumpers in the lost property box. Unfortunately none of the garments have names in so we cannot return them to their rightly owner. I will ask Mr Walker to put the lost property out in the playground so that you can claim any lost uniform. Please ensure all pieces of uniform are named!

Uniform reminder

On PE days year 1 and year 2 children must continue to wear their blue school sweatshirt or cardigan with their white t shirt and joggers/leggings. If your child comes to school in trainers with laces please can you teach them how to fasten laces over the Spring Bank holiday. Thank you for your cooperation.

Home time

Year 1 staff have asked if you can please stand in the designated area of the playground for your child's class and try, whenever possible, to stand in the same place to ease the dismissal of children at the end of the day. Identification of parents/carers wearing masks and hoods (during this wet weather) is sometimes tricky. Thank you for your support.

COVID -19

As restrictions begin to ease, but with increasing concerns over the transmission rates in Wakefield being over double the National average and the rise in cases of the Indian variant, the staff and I have decided that whilst we do not want the children to miss out on experiences they would normally have in the Summer term, the way we do them will be slightly different. We will be holding Sports Days, Summer Fayres, Fun Theme Days, school trips and inviting visitors into school etc but these will be for the **children only**. We will endeavour to take photographs and videos and place them on Twitter for you to see but we will not be opening events up for parents to attend. Whilst I appreciate this may disappoint many, our priority is to keep all children and staff safe whilst ensuring the children don't miss out. Thank you for your understanding.



Heart Day – Wednesday 26th May

This is part of a series of fund raising activities that are being organised by Mrs McCann, Mrs Whitley, Mrs Wilkinson and Mrs Robson in order to raise money for a defibrillator which will be sited just outside the school gate on Healey Road. On Heart Day the children can come to school dressed in their sports clothes ready to participate in the sponsored jump rope activities. The Year 2 children are also participating in some First Aid training and we are hoping to have an ambulance visiting school so that the children can look around it.

Heart Badges will be on sale this week for 50p. The School Councillors will be responsible for selling these in their Year Group Bubbles.

Local businesses and local residents have been asked if they are able to contribute to the purchase of the community based defibrillator. If you know of anyone who may be able to support us please spread the word as all contributions will be gratefully received.

Transition arrangements

We are in discussion with Southdale regarding transition arrangements for the year 2 children as well as staff in school. We know what we would ideally like to happen but we are waiting for the Government announcement on the 21st June!

Dates for the diary

Wednesday 26th May – Heart Day (children to wear sports clothes)

Friday 28th May – break up for Spring Bank

Monday 7th June – School returns

Wednesday 16th June – Year 1 Toy Lady visitor

Friday 18th June – INSET Day

Monday 28th June – Year 2 Mile Day

Tuesday 29th June – Year 2 Junior Stem Lego Robotics

Wednesday 30th June – Year 1 Junior Stem Lego Robotics

Thursday 1st July - Classes 1 to 6 – ‘Drumba Day’

Friday 9th July - Sports Day (children only)

Wednesday 14th July – Summer Fayre (children only)

Friday 23rd July – School breaks up

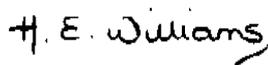
Tuesday 7th September – school re-opens

Please don't hesitate to get in touch with your child's class teacher if you have any queries and can I remind you that we have a new email address for any questions/queries/messages that the office can deal with.

admin@dimplewell.wakefield.sch.uk

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,



Mrs H. E. Williams,
Headteacher.