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Newsletter – February 2024

Dear Parents,

We've enjoyed a fantastic start to the new term. Children in all three classes are looking settled and engaged in their learning, and with a full (and long) autumn term under their belts, it is clear that they have adapted well to their new classes, teachers, targets and routines.

Our spring term is whizzing by, and staff would like to thank you for your ongoing support, feedback and encouragement. The children are clearly not only working hard at school, but spending time at home working on individual targets with their families.

Christian Value

Our Christian value, perseverance, has been and will continue to be discussed during Mrs. Wyer's collective worships. *'Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done.'* Luke 22:42

Safeguarding

A reminder that Mrs. Wyer is delivering an online Safety Workshop in school on **Monday 12th February** for parents. The workshop will highlight the risks and dangers that children may face whilst online as well as provide an opportunity to discuss strategies and preventative measures to help keep our children safe. The workshop will take place in school at **5pm**.

Kolkata

Thank you to everyone who has been out walking and contributing your miles towards our collective goal of 5,000! We did it! Hopefully it's helped to establish some healthy routines. Not much beats a family walk, some fresh air, and a good chat.

The children created small packages for the children at Bhowanipore Cemetery School. Each package included letters, written by children in all three classes; a red, white and blue friendship bracelet; and a drawing of our school. They also recorded video messages for me to show whilst I am there. If you haven't already – please join the children in following my blog on the school website and school Instagram account.

Whilst I am in Kolkata, their work has been prepped and the Year 5 and 6 class will be covered by the following:

Day	Morning	Afternoon
Friday 26 th	Mrs. Wyer – Maths and English	Mrs. Wyer – Forest Schools
Monday 29 th	Mrs. Wyer – Maths and English	Mrs. Wyer – Topic
Tuesday 30 th	Mrs. Wyer – Maths and English	Mrs. Wyer – Spanish and Computing
Wednesday 31 st	Miss. Sutton – Science and Art	Miss Prystupa – swimming
Thursday 1 st	Miss. Caulder – Maths and English	Mrs. Wyer – Netball
Friday 2 nd	Supply – Maths and English	Supply – Forest Schools

Sport at Stanton

Our Year 5 and 6 pupils gave an excellent account of themselves whilst competing in the Sports-hall Athletics competition in Sheffield last month. **WINNING THE EVENT!** It was wonderful to see the cohesion and teamwork amongst the group. Not only could we run fast and throw far – we were a noisy bunch too! The support throughout the afternoon was incredible.

There is one sporting event in February - the Year 5 and 6 cluster schools' netball tournament in Great Longstone on **Thursday 1st**.

The Year 3 and 4 pupils also have an event within the first week of March (**Thursday 7th**). They'll travel to the Medway Centre in Bakewell to compete in the Dance Festival.

The pupils will travel by coach to both events. Please can parents complete the relevant forms attached to the newsletter and confirm who will be picking your child up from the venues. As always, the competitions are scheduled to finish at 3pm. We encourage car-sharing wherever possible and if you are having difficulties arranging transport, please contact the school office for support.

Music and Changes to Weekly Timetable Beginning Friday 9th February

The Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 pupils begin their ukulele lessons this month – their first of 15 sessions beginning **Friday 9th February**. Due to the availability of the ukulele teachers, lessons will take place during Friday afternoons. To accommodate this, we ask that all pupils (**Reception – Year 6**) arrive in school on **Thursdays** wearing their **Forest Schools kit** and come to school in their **PE kit** on **Fridays**. (This change will take place from the week commencing 5.2.24.)

Pupils will be encouraged to take their instruments home to practice. Please ensure they have their ukuleles in school every Friday so that they can take part in the lesson. To ensure accountability for each instrument, additional forms will be sent home for parents to sign.

Swimming

The **Year 5 and Year 6** pupils will continue with their lessons for the remainder of this half-term. After the holidays, our **Year 2, 3 and 4** pupils will begin their next block of five lessons (**Wednesday 28th February**).

Thank you to everyone who has already volunteered. There are still several dates available - any parents, who are able to travel on the bus to swimming with the children and Miss. Prystupa, please complete the form attached – your help is appreciated.

Parents' Evening

Parents' evening will be held in school on **Thursday 29th February**. Appointments will last for 10 minutes. Parents' evening is an opportunity for all parents to discuss the wellbeing of their child along with their academic progress. Whilst it is important that parents' evening appointments stick to the 10-minute timeframe, parents are reminded and encouraged to speak to their child's class teacher whenever they have a worry, concern or general interest in their child's progress/wellbeing. Rest assured that class teachers would also contact parents directly if they had any concerns. Our general philosophy is that *'there should never be any surprises at parents' evening.'*

Please complete the parents' evening slip attached to the newsletter and return it to school. We will do our best to ensure everyone has an appointment as close to their desired timeslot as possible.

Arrangements for the Closure of School

What a year! We've already had wind and rain... hopefully we won't need to close for snow, but in the event of treacherous weather conditions - you will be notified via ParentHub. We will make an early decision to minimise disruption.

Amazon Wish List

Our Amazon wish list will continually be updated in line with the topics and activities planned throughout each term. Should you wish to contribute, please visit:

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/2HDM5DU5RK3NO?ref_=wl_share

Paper Copy and Additional Copies

Many people find having a paper copy of the newsletter easier – if you would like one, please contact the school office.

Although at least one member of each family is on our mailing list, it was highlighted that some parents are not, and therefore do not receive our monthly newsletter. If additional family members would like to be added, please contact our school office.

And finally ...

Please continue to contact me by phone, in person or via email: j.figg@peaktorfederation.co.uk or Hannah in the school office: h.steventon@peaktorfederation.co.uk if you have any queries about any of the items listed within the newsletter. Class teachers are always available and willing to discuss matters regarding your child's well-being or attainment and can be contacted directly or caught at the school gates either before or after school.

Yours sincerely,

Johnathon Figg

Deputy Headteacher

Term Dates and INSET days 2023/2024

Remaining INSET Days (2023-2024)

Term 6 (Summer 2)

June 21st and 24th

2023/2024 Academic Year

Spring 1: 8 January 2024 to 16 February 2024 (30 days)

Spring 2: 26 February 2024 to 28 March 2024 (24 days)

Summer 1: 15 April 2024 to 24 May 2024 (6 May 2024 is a bank holiday) (29 days)

Summer 2: 3 June 2024 to 23 July 2024 (37 days)

Dates for your Diary

Date	Event	Who's involved
FEBRUARY		
Thursday 1 st	Netball	Year 5 and 6 Pupils
Friday 9 th	Ukulele Lessons Begin (15wks)	Year 3,4,5 and 6 Pupils
Monday 12 th	Online Safety Workshop for Parents	Parents
Friday 16 th	Last Day of Spring Term 1	Whole School
Monday 26 th	School Opens – Start of Spring 2	Whole School
Thursday 29 th	Parents Evening	Parents
MARCH		
Thursday 7 th	World Book Day	Whole School
Thursday 7 th	Dance Festival	Year 3 and Year 4
Friday 15 th	Comic Relief	Whole School
Thursday 21 st	Hockey	Year 5 and Year 6
Thursday 28 th	Easter Service	Whole School
Thursday 28 th	Last Day of Spring term 2	Whole School
APRIL		
Monday 15 th	School Opens – Start of Summer Term 1	Whole School
Thursday 25 th	Summer Sports and Mini Tennis	Year 3 and Year 4
MAY		
Monday 6 th	BANK HOLIDAY	Whole School
Mon 13 th – Thurs 16 th	KS2 SATS Week	Year 6
Thursday 16 th	Cricket	Year 5 and Year 6
Friday 24 th	Last Day of Summer Term 1	Whole School
JUNE		
Monday 3 rd	School Opens – Start of Summer Term 2	Whole School
Mon 3 rd – Fri 21 st	Multiplication Test Window	Year 4
Mon 17 th – Wed 19 th	Boggle Hole Residential	Year 5 and Year 6
Friday 21st	INSET DAY	Whole School
Monday 24th	INSET DAY	Whole School
Thursday 27 th	Cricket Skills	Recep. Year 1 and Year 2
JULY		
Thursday 11 th	Rounders	Year 5 and Year 6
Monday 22 nd	Leavers' Service	Whole School
Tuesday 23 rd	Last Day of Summer Term 2	Whole School

Sporting Events 2023/2024

Year Groups	Sport	Date	Venue
		February	
Y5/6	Netball	Thursday 1 st	Longstone Primary DE45 1TZ
		March	
Y3/4	Dance Festival	Thursday 7 th	The Medway Centre, Bakewell DE45 1DY
Y5/6	Hockey	Thursday 21 st	Tideswell Bishop Purseglove SK17 8NE
		April	
Y3/4	Summer Sports and Mini Tennis	Thursday 25 th	Youlgrave Sports Field DE45 1WN
		May	
Y5/6	Cricket	Thursday 16 th	Youlgrave Sports Field DE45 1WN
		June	
R/Y1/2	Cricket Skills	Thursday 27 th	Longstone Primary DE45 1TZ
		July	
Y5/6	Rounders	Thursday 11 th	Rowsley Sports Field DE4 2EE

Swimming ROTA – January - March 2024

If you can help with the swimming rota, please add your name and return the sheet. I will then compile a final rota and send it out

SWIMMING DATES Thank you for volunteering	NAME: Wednesday pm – swimming bus leaves Stanton at 1:00pm and returns approx. 2:30pm. Helpers are welcome to wait in school until the end of the school day.
Spring 1 – Year 5 and 6	
17 th January	This slot has been filled
24 th January	This slot has been filled
31 st January	
7 th February	
14 th February	This slot has been filled
Spring 2 – Year 2, 3 and 4	
28 th February	
6 th March	This slot has been filled
13 th March	
20 th March	
27 th March	This slot has been filled

Parents' evening is Thursday (29th February 2024).

Please indicate which time slot would be most convenient for you and return it to school. We will do our best to accommodate.

Child's name: _____

12:00 - 1:00pm	Infant only
1:00 - 2:00pm	Infant only
2:00 - 3:00pm	
3:00 - 4:00pm	
4:00 - 5:00pm	
5:00 - 6:00pm	
6:00 - 7:00pm	

*Year 3 and 4, 5 and 6 appointments will start from 2:30pm

Year 5 and 6 Netball Competition at Longstone Primary School.

I give permission for my child _____ to participate in the year 5 and 6 Netball competition at Longstone Primary School on **Thursday 1st February** and to be transported there via coach.

I/_____ will collect my child from Great Longstone Primary School **DE45 1TZ** at 3pm:

Signed: _____

Year 3 and 4 Dance Competition at the Medway Centre, Bakewell (DE45 1DY)

I give permission for my child _____ to participate in the year 3 and 4 Dance competition at the Medway Centre, Bakewell (DE45 1DY) on **Thursday 7th March** and to be transported there via coach.

I/_____ will collect my child from The Medway Centre, Bakewell (DE45 1DY) at 3pm:

Signed: _____
