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April 2026 – Newsletter

Welcome back to the Summer Term!

We hope you had a lovely Easter Break – now we are 'back to business!'

Google classrooms

All children have a log in and a password for Google Classrooms. This is where we will set homework or upload information, for example, the latest menu in school. Please ensure that your child is accessing Google Classrooms. If you are having problems, please contact Mr Neilson Wade –

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Our 'Save the Hen Harrier' Day raised £225 – most of this has been donated to the RSPB but Mr French also purchased a few plants for our new Sensory Garden which is beginning to take shape where the Trim Trail used to be. We have also purchased benches for the children to use this summer in the sensory garden through the Church Burgess Fund.

Don't forget The Mayor's Walk & Wheel Challenge 2026

We have registered our school to take part in the Mayors Walk and Wheel challenge during May. The challenge is back with **Living Streets for 'Walk to School week'** - May 18th – 21st and we would love our children to join in. There are opportunities to win fantastic prizes for our school including bikes, scooter parking, or a VIP cycling workshop with 3 time Olympic gold Cyclist Ed Clancy OBE. During the week 18th to 21st May, please cycle or walk to school and send any photos to Mrs Bell of your active travel and I will forward these on!

Dates 2026	Event
Mon 20 th April 2026	Y6 Football at Newfield – Mr Holland is taking the children after school.
Thurs 23 rd April 2026	Taylor Shaw themed meal for St George's Day.
Sat 25 th April 2026	Cross Country Relays at Longley Park.
Mon 4 th May	Bank Holiday Monday
Fri 8 th May 2026	Y4/Y5 Dance Competition at Mylnhurst – details to follow Y5 Ancient Greece Day – come dressed as an Ancient Greek!
Mon 11 th May – Thursday 14 th May	Year 6 SATs tests begin. GOOD LUCK Y6- we are all looking out for you!
Mon 18 th May – Thurs 21 st May 2026	Mayors Walk and Wheel challenge – walk or cycle to school this week. How many of you can take on the challenge?
Tuesday 19 th May 2026	Our History Day with a focus on the 1960s – everyone is invited to dress up and travel back in time to the 60s. Each class will be learning something about the 1960s from toys to politics!
Tuesday 19 th May 2026	Swimming Gala after School at Ponds Forge (from 6:15pm) This year Mr Neilson Wade and Miss Allen are hosting.
Weds 20 th May 2026	African Dance and Drumming day for the whole school with Zamble African Dance Company.
Thurs 21 st May	Whole School Geography day – we are looking at Africa – if any parents have anything to share in classes about Africa, you are most welcome.
Friday 22 nd May 2026	School Closed to Children –Training Day
Mon 25 th May 2025	This is Africa Day and will be referred to in the previous week.
Monday 1 st June -12 th June 2026	Y4 Multiplication Test takes place over these two weeks. See Mr Holland for further information.

Thursday 4 th June 2026	Children from Y6 (and Y5) will be invited to take part in the Athletics Competition at Woodbourn Road (all being well). More details to follow.
Friday 5 th June 2026	Environment Day in school - further details to follow
Monday 8 th June - Fri 12 th June 2026	Y1 Phonics Screening Test – Please speak to Ms Sewell for further information.
Tuesday 9 th June 2026	Y2 Class Assembly at 9am – Parents invited to watch.
Tuesday 9 th June 2026	Natasha's Law themed Lunch – in memory of Natasha Ednan-Laperouse
Sat 6 th June 2026	Race for Life Pretty Muddy Kids obstacle course for children aged 6 - 12 at Graves Park.
Friday 19 th June 2026	Y2 Skipping festival this week at Canon Medical Arena – more details to follow.
Monday 22 nd June 2026	Windrush Day – this will be marked in school – more information to follow.
Tuesday 23 rd June 2026	Y1 Class assembly – parents welcome to watch from 9am.
Thursday 25 th June	City Finals for Athletics (Y5/6).
Tuesday 30 th June 2026	Sports Day – KS1 in the morning and KS2 in the afternoon. KS1 will start at 10:15am. Family picnic 12 – 1pm and KS2 will start at 1:15pm. FONF will be providing refreshments on the day.
Tuesday 7 th July 2026	FS Class Assembly – Parents welcome from 9am
Tuesday 7 th July 2026	Y6 Trip to the theatre to see the Karate Kid – evening performance – more details to follow.
Tuesday 7 th July 2026	Y5 and Y6 One Voice Summer 2026 at The Octagon centre -they will be back by the end of the school day. – More details to follow
Wednesday 8 th July 2026	Y5 trip to the Theatre to see the Karate Kid – afternoon performance
	Y4 Yorvik visit
	Y3 out at Cresswell Crag!
Weds 8 th and 9 th July 2026	Y6 Transition days for the children who are going to attend Meadowhead school.
Thurs 9 th July 2026	Whole school Transition Day – all classes will spend the day in the class they will be in next year.
Thurs 9 th July 2026	Home visits to families of children who are starting school in September 2026.
Fri 10 th July 2026	Leavers Assembly -9am – no Pupil of the Week, Y6 will lead assembly. Parents are welcome to attend, this is separate to the Leavers Service in Church.
Tuesday 14 th July	Y6 Leavers Meal – Y6 choose the menu for the day
Tuesday 14 th July	Y6 Leavers Service at the Church – parents welcome from 2:30pm
Friday 17 th July	LAST DAY of term
Monday 20 th July	Training Day – School closed to children.