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## Newsletter 18 1<sup>st</sup> July 2016



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Dear Parents, Carers and members of the community, welcome to Newsletter 18. I hope this communication finds you well. This is certainly a very busy term and one that I know whizzes by at such a pace, this newsletter contains as much information as we have at the moment to take us to the end of term. First of all, from my perspective, I want to say the biggest thank you for all of your enthusiasm and engagement with Pedal Power. This was one of my proudest days as Headteacher of the school, not least because of the hard work and efforts of all of the children who showed such resilience and team work throughout the day to cycle the collective number of miles we achieved as a school. As we gear up for the end of the academic year, I hope you begin to reflect on the wonderful journey that we continue on together as we strive for outstanding outcomes across the school. Should anyone wish to catch me, I am always available for a quick chat most mornings or appointments can be made via the school office. Have a wonderful 2 weeks and I look forward to keeping you further updated in future newsletters. **Best Wishes, Mr Sam Eden (Headteacher)**

### *Be the Best You Can Be!*



**Our certificates for achievement were awarded to the following children in our special Friday assembly-well done all;**

**Class France-** All of Class France

**Class India-** Kara Hunter and Lexi Davies

**Class Madagascar-** Edie-Mae Hotchkins and Lottie Hendry

**Class Australia-** Eva Lunn

**Class USA-** Callum Arnold and Eliza Batchelor

**Class Iceland-** Jack Wright and Shawn Pellett

Wow Writers have been celebrated by the school for their commitment and enthusiasm to writing. These children are;

**Wow Writers-** Charlie Hague, Oscar Taylor, Ava Roberts, Ava Godson, Benji Heron, Emily Gresham, Meredith Lawson and Oliver Undy.

*Well done to all children, across the school, for being the best you can be!*

### **Thank You Mrs Lord**

Thank you to Mrs Lord who has been teaching Class Australia in Mrs Williams absence. Due to ongoing commitments, Mrs Lord will complete her work at Ancaster today with Mrs Parsons working additional days to ensure continuity in class.

### **New School Uniform**



Further to our communication with you regarding uniform, we have now completed our analysis of suppliers and Mrs Moore, our School Business Leader has led a comprehensive review of all systems related to school uniform purchasing and supplies. A separate letter has been sent out confirming next steps on the uniform and giving you more information. We will aim to have all of the details for you to begin buying your uniform for September by next week. Thank you for your co-operation and patience whilst we carried out this review.

### **Pedal Power Update**



Further to the comments from Mr Eden above, Pedal Power sponsor money is now being collected. We are thrilled with the number of returns so far and have been told by a number of parents and children that they will be collecting their sponsors over the weekend. To accommodate this, we have extended the date for sending the money into school to Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July. The focus and determination of the children throughout the sponsor was wonderful to see and we are thrilled with the achievements of all. We will update you soon on the total sponsorship raised as well as the winner of the brand new bike.

## Sports Morning and Summer Fayre-Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2016



Thank you to everyone who has already sent in donations of alcohol for the 'Barrow of Booze' competition we will be running. Should you have a bottle of beer lurking at the back of the cupboard and are happy to donate, any items will be greatly appreciated. We are also seeking cakes too and these can be sent in on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> in the morning. Thanks in advance.

Please note that stalls and pitches are still available and if you would like to run a stall, please see Mrs Beard in the school office. There is a charge of £10 to run a stall.

Comprehensive details of the arrangements for the day are available on our website (news section) or by following the link <http://www.ancasterprimary.org.uk/news.asp?id=307>

We look forward to seeing you in and around the school on this super day.

### School Reports

Please note a change of date with regard to end of year reports-These reports and Pupil Profile sheets will now be sent out to parents on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July.

### Class Iceland Performance

Our wonderful children from Class Iceland will be putting on their performance of Alice in Wonderland on 13<sup>th</sup> July at 6pm. More details will be sent to the parents of children in this class so that you can book tickets.

### Don't Forget-Non Uniform on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup>

Please be reminded that in exchange for a prize for our Tombola at the Summer Fayre, children are able to come into school in non-uniform on the date above. Thanks in advance for your support.

### Books for Schools Competition

A parent has alerted us to a competition in which the school could win £5000 in books for our new library-It is simple to enter, only basic details are needed and we would love for you to support us. Follow this link to enter- <http://po.st/schoolprize>

## Arrangements for next year and Transition Meetings

In the previous newsletter, you were made aware of transition meetings that were taking place at the end of term for parents to attend after school.

These will be led by your child's new Class Teacher. Having spoken to the children today about which staff they will be working with next year, we have pleasure in providing you with the dates for the transition meetings which will be an excellent opportunity for you to meet the new teacher and hear all about their expectations for the coming year. We want parents to be as informed as possible. Children of Year 4 and 5 have been sent a separate letter today confirming which teacher(s) they will be taught by.

Yr Group in Sept	Teacher(s)	Transition Meeting Date
EYFS	Miss McDonald	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> July at 4pm
Year 1	Mrs Talbot	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> July at 3.45pm
Year 2	Miss Footitt	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> July at 3.45pm
Year 3/4	Mrs Parsons (Mon-Weds) and Mrs Tomlinson (Thurs/Friday)	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July at 3.45pm
Year 4/5	Mr Swain	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July at 3.45pm
Year 5/6	Mrs Hiorns	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> July at 3.45pm

Children will be undertaking their Moving Up Morning on **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July** and this will be an opportunity for them to visit their new classroom and be with the staff they will be working with, undertaking transition activities. As a school, we have ensured that we have the very best staff team and outstanding practice and outcomes are the focus of all school adults meaning every child has access to the best teaching at Ancaster.

### Bookfair is Coming-Next Week!

We will be hosting our annual Bookfair next week and books will be on sale after school from Tuesday evening. The bookfair will also be set out during the Summer Fayre and you will be able to peruse the books there if this is more convenient for you. We look forward to seeing which books the children select as their next adventure.