



Headteacher: Mrs H Cuddy

Date: Friday, 13th May 2016

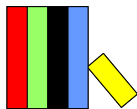
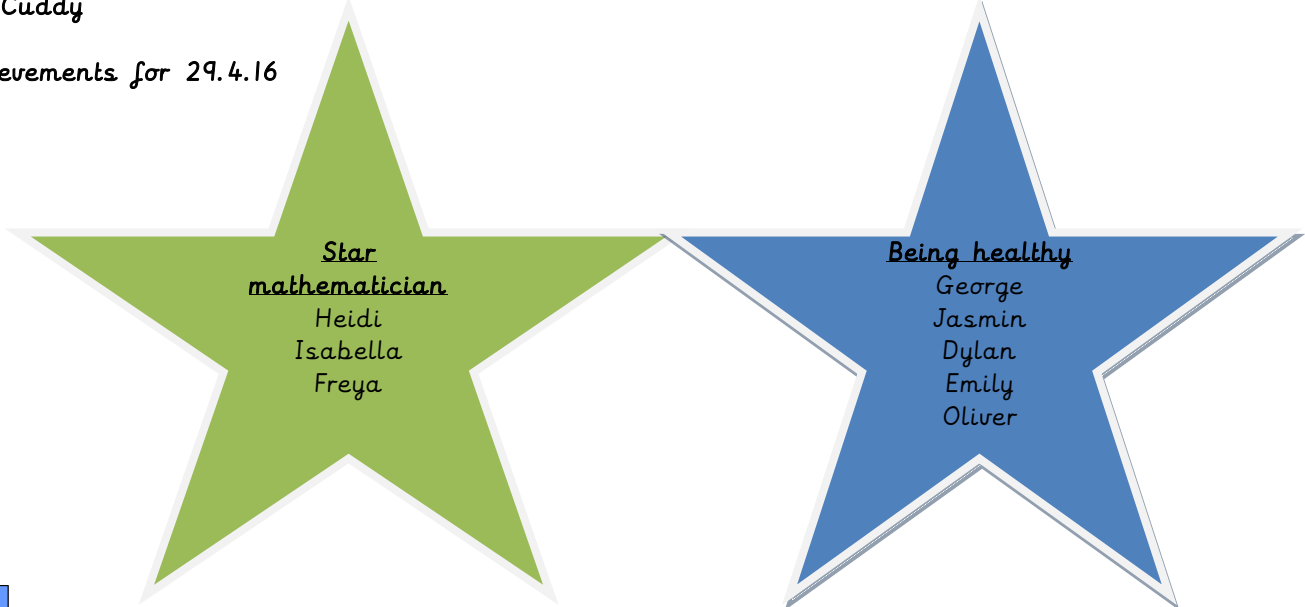
Dear parents/carers

Firstly, I would like to say a big well done to all the Year 6 children for completing SATS this week, we are very proud of you all.

Our target last week was to being quiet around school and think about others while SATS are being completed. Every child in school was exemplar throughout the week. Next week will be thinking out using kind words.

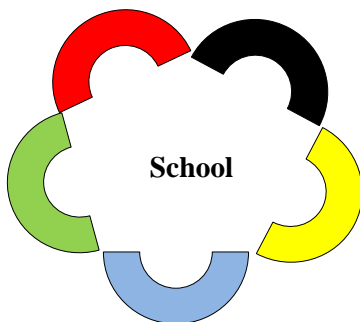
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Achievements for 29.4.16



Eagles Trips - On 17th May, Eagles will be spending the morning in the Brockdale Nature Reserve and Went Valley quarry. Eagles class will be joining another Year 5/6 class for the morning. The aim of the visit is to encourage friendships before high school, there will be a range of team building exercises such as den building, orienteering etc. No letter will be sent home as consent has been given for local visits already and this is a free event. Please ensure children have sensible waterproof shoes and a suitable coat. If there are any questions please see Mrs Hursthouse.

On 23rd May, a team from the Eagles class will be attending the Doncaster Pyramid Qualifier at Askern Welfare Cricket Club. A letter has been sent home this week with those children chosen to participate, and the trip is now set up on parentpay. Consent is given at the time of payment, so if you have any problems please contact the school office as soon as possible.



1. Leadership: Further develop middle leader's impact by sharing outstanding practice.
2. Challenge: Encourage challenge and mastery in Maths, Reading, Writing and SPAG for more able learners.
3. Curriculum: Raise children's attainment in spelling, grammar and punctuation. Ensure that all children are working within age-related achievements.

Race for life - the school will be hosting a race for life event on Thursday 26th May at 2.30pm. The children have already been given a sponsor sheet. Parents and children are all welcome to take part in the event. We will attempt to run/walk 30 laps of the playground, which is 3 miles. Children will need a water bottle for the day. Parents and friends will be serving refreshments from 2.30pm. We hope to see you all there.

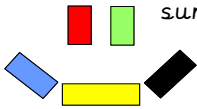
Absences - if your child is ill you must now inform the school by phone and speak to a member of staff every day they are absent - emails will no longer be accepted, and failure to do so will result in an unauthorized absence. If they are absent for any other reason this also applies. For holidays, school must be informed at least two weeks prior to their absence, and the appropriate forms filled in.

School Dinners - we are finding that more school dinners are being taken each day than we are expecting. Please make sure that you inform the school office at least two weeks in advance if you wish to change your child's meal plan, so we can order the correct quantities. If it is a last minute emergency change (for example, a packed lunch was forgotten), please let us know as soon as possible so we can prepare the correct number of meals and avoid anyone going hungry.

Kingswood Residential - Monday, 26th September - Wednesday, 28th September 2016

Places are now all confirmed for our visit to Kingswood Activity Centre in September. Please be reminded that the full balance must be paid by Friday, 15th July 2016. Transport has now been confirmed also at a much more reduced cost than in previous years of £12 per pupil. This has now been set up on parentpay, also with a due date of Friday, 15th July. Should you have any queries regarding this, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

Dress Code - please can we remind all parents and carers that children are not permitted to have sunglasses in school. This is due to health and safety. All children need to wear plain black shoes and sensible coats, the weather is so changeable at the moment it is important to keep wrapped up still.



Be Happy

Lost and Found - a ladies watch has been found in the school car park. If you think this may be yours please pop in to the school office.

Parents and Friends - WANTED - required for Sports day and Summer Fair -

Tombola prizes

Bottles (wine, pop, sauce, bubble bath, olive oil, beer... Anything in date!)

Toys & books (good resaleable quality)

Chocolate & sweets (large, small, bags, chocolate bars / boxes, for chocolate tombola)

Loan of gazebos for the day.

Stalls - £10 charge or profit to school.

Lighting & sound for 'Smeatons Got Talent' .

****We desperately need new parents & friends to help with fund raising - we need skilled people, manpower on the day, bright new ideas & 3 or 4 meetings in the pub, a year. PLEASE HELP IF YOU CAN - IT'S FOR OUR CHILDREN !! ****

We have been asked to raise money towards a community defibrillator to be based at the school / community rooms. There will be stalls & refreshments on SPORTS DAY. We aim to raise £500 . Please support us.

SMEATONS GOT TALENT 2016 - (following the Summer Fair at 4pm) please start thinking about entries for this years' show. There's a prize for the winner. Entry forms will be available from reception after half term.

Many thanks from Parents & Friends

Non-Uniform Day - On Friday, 27th May we are having a non-uniform day to raise money for resources for our School. Each half term we intend to hold a non -uniform day (sometimes themed) and funds raised will be allocated to each class on a rota basis. Previous fundraiser days have enabled us to purchase 2 CD players for Starfish Class and Maths books for Eagles Class. We also had an 'Eco Day' where funds raised have gone towards compost and bedding plants. This half term Miss Ghent will be looking to purchase something for Lions Class.

Could we please ask all Children to bring a minimum of £1 on this day and we look forward to advising you of the purchases shortly! Many thanks for your support.



Rio Update - all the children have made excellent progress for our 'Walk to Rio' challenge. So far they have accumulated 791 miles - this takes them to the northern coast of Spain!



The School Drive - If you are dropping off for breakfast club, please make sure that after 8am you do not bring your car up the drive. We have had a few incidents of speeding and near-misses and we do not want anyone to get hurt.

Please also be vigilant when picking up from after-school clubs and park at the bottom of the drive or pub car park.

Summer Safety - with the lovely warmer days we are getting, please can we ask that all parents and carers remember to apply sun lotion to your children before coming to school.

Attendance - Whole School Attendance to date - 96.47%
(Attendance is calculated up to and including the previous Friday)

w/c 02/05/2016	
Whole school	97.21%
Starfish	99.07%
Dolphins	97.32%
Lions	97.73%
Eagles	94.83%

Kind Regards,
Mrs J Maltby

Important dates for your diary

Collective Worship with Fr Adrian	2 nd Tuesday of each month at 1pm
Year 3 swimming lessons	Fridays 2-3pm
Year 2 SATS Week	Monday 16 th May – Friday 20 th May 2016
Dolphins Trip to Askern Cricket Festival	Monday, 23 rd May 2016
Eagles Participating in Doncaster Pyramid Qualifier	Monday 23 rd May 2016
Class photographs	Tuesday, 24 th May 2016
Race for Life Event	Thursday 26 th May 2016
School Closes	Friday, 27 th May 2016
School opens	Monday, 6 th June 2016
Sports Day	Tuesday, 14 th June 2016 (Reserve Tuesday, 21 st June 2016)
New Reception Parents Meeting	Wednesday 15 th June 2016 @ 2:30
Academic Year 15/16 Reports	Friday, 8 th July 2016
Lions Trip to Headingley	Thursday, 14 th July 2016
Reception Graduation	Tuesday, 19 th July 2016
Year 6 Leavers Assembly	Thursday, 21 st July 2016