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Dear Parents and Carers,

How can it be Friday and newsletter day already? With a long weekend ahead of us we look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday. We hope you have a lovely bank holiday weekend.



As mentioned in previous newsletters. We are going to be taking part in this initiative really soon!

WOW is a **fully funded active travel project**. Durham County Council and <u>Living Streets</u> – the UK charity for everyday walking – are working with schools in County Durham to help reduce congestion and pollution outside the school gates, while also increasing safety and improving the physical and mental wellbeing of pupils.

WOW is Living Streets' year-round walk to school challenge to encourage more families to be active on their journey to school, resulting in a 23% average increase in walking rates and up to 30% fewer cars at the school gates

We want to make getting to school safer, cleaner and healthier for all our children and to do this successfully we will need your support.

When the walk to school challenge is launched children will self-report their daily journeys on the WOW Travel Tracker. June will be our launch month for this new initiative.

At the end of each month, those children who have travelled actively to school will receive a WOW badge.



YEAR 6 SATs

Just a reminder the Year 6 SATs this year start on Monday May 13th. During this week Year 6 children attend Breakfast Club free of charge on Monday 13th, Tuesday 14th, Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th May. Arriving at school early really helps all the children to be settled and ready for the tests.

Attendance

This week our winning classes in each department are Class 1 (99%) and Class 8 (98.6%)

There are three classes across school with 96% attendance or above and they will be adding a leaf to their tulips on the hall displays (Classes 1, 8 and 9)



Lates

Thank you to all the parents and carers who have ensured children have arrived on time this week.

This week we have had 20 children arriving to school late.

<u>Please note- We have a new system in school and if your child arrives late you will need to stay with your child in the Main Foyer entrance until office staff are ready to take children to class.</u>

Community Links

KidzFlicks on Saturday 4th May at St Clare's Church would love to see more children turning up to enjoy the film, make new friends and have fun.

On Saturday they are showing 'Combat Wombat'.

It's a great opportunity to do something different and new faces are always welcome.



DIARY DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR- Summer Term 2024



Kindness Café every Thursday morning in the Key Stage 2 Dining Hall 9am- please join us if you can. It's always lovely to see new faces at this weekly event.

Monday May 6th- Bank Holiday- School is closed

Wednesday May 8th- Year 3 Visit to Tees Barrage

Monday May 13th- Thursday May 16th- Year 6 SATs

Monday May 20th-Friday 24th May- Sports Week- children to wear PE kit all week

Friday 24th May- Sports Day- more information will be follow

Monday 3rd June- School Closed to all children- Staff Training Day

Friday 7th June- Alternative Sports Day- only if Sports Day on 24th May was cancelled due to inclement weather

Friday 21st June- Non-uniform day- bottle donations gratefully received for the Summer Fayre

Friday 28th June- Summer Fayre- more details to follow in a separate letter

We hope you all have a lovely weekend and thank you for all your support this week.

Kind regards,

Mrs O'Rourke and Mrs Legge