

# Youlgrave All-Saints Primary School Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers

I hope that you have all enjoyed the Easter break with your families despite the ongoing unpredictable changing weather!

The staff are all excited to start the Summer term, which is, as always, action packed and full of exciting events!

Yours with kind regards

Mrs S Barker

Interim Executive Headteacher

## Mrs Burgess—Good Bye and Good Luck

We want to say a very big thank you to Mrs Burgess for all her hard work in the role of Interim Head of School and SENDCo since she joined us in December. She will be leaving us at the end of May to pursue a headship role in a larger school in Sheffield. We all wish you the very best with your new venture.

## Easter Play

A huge well done to the children in Class 2 for all their work preparing a wonderful performance for parents and carers in church before we broke up. Thank you to Mr Scully who made it all possible. Although I was unwell and didn't see it, I have received so many compliments about how wonderful and moving the play was. Well done to all of you.



## Playleader Training - Class 3

Well done to our Y5/Y6 children, who took part in Playleader training on the last day of term. This is to enable them to be 'young leaders' and encourage an active playground.



## KEY DATES:

- Tuesday 23rd April - YR and Y6 Height and Weight checks
- Thursday 25th April - Y3/Y4 Sports Festival on playing fields (in school time)
- Monday 29th April - Picture News training for pupils and MAST Collective worship
- Tuesday 30th April - YR Balance bike training
- Monday 6th May - bank holiday, school closed
- Thursday 9th May - PTFA 'Blue Sky' Fashion show in Village Hall 7pm-9pm
- Monday 13th May - Thursday 16th May SAT's week for Y6.
- Thursday 16th May - Y3/Y4 Cricket Festival on playing fields in school time
- Friday 17th May - Y6 Treat day at Whitworth Park (letter to follow)
- Thursday 23rd May - Bunting Cup football tournament at Cavendish fields Matlock for selected players, details to follow
- Friday 24th May, break up for half term holidays
- Monday 3rd June - Return to school

**All dates can be found on the School Website calender, which you can subscribe to.**

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## SAT's Week and other Assessments in School

It is that time of year again where we all nationally approach Assessment season.

Week commencing Monday 13th May our **Y6** children will be sitting their SAT's assessments. As there is only 4 weeks to go, please can we ask parents/carers to support children by ensuring their homework is completed and handed in, they attend school on time each day and they also continue to attend Biscuit Club for additional support leading up to the assessments. We will be sending home a letter shortly which will outline the week in detail including Breakfast arrangements.

**Y2** - You may be aware that the traditional Y2 SATs are no longer compulsory for schools from this academic year. Due to this national decision, we have decided that our Y2 pupils will complete their assessment week during the second half of the Summer term.

**Y4 and Y1** - This term our Y4 pupils will also access the Multiplication check from the 3rd June and following the half term break Y1 will complete their Phonics screening check from 10th June.



At the last Collective Worship Assembly before the Easter break, we celebrated the fabulous attendance for a number of children for the Spring term 2024. A massive well done to the **30 children who had a splendid 100% attendance** for the term!!! And a further **14 who achieved consistent attendance of 95% or above**. I am really pleased with the children for their efforts and determination to be in school and on time. Thanks also for the on-going support from home, well done everyone!!

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
97.52%	93.58%	97.45%	94.02%	96.10%	95.46%	94.47%



Before Easter we held a Book Fair in School and thanks to you, we raised £98.00 which we have used to buy books for school.

We also recently raised funds for Comic Relief's Red Nose day raising £80

A big **THANKYOU** to you all!

### Breaktime Snacks

We encourage children to bring a snack into school for their breaktime, but unfortunately there is a rising number of unhealthy snacks appearing. Please can you ensure that any snack sent in from home is a healthy choice. Please do not send children in with sweets, chocolate or crisps. Can we also ask that just one snack is sent in, as some children are bringing numerous items to eat and then not being able to eat their lunch.

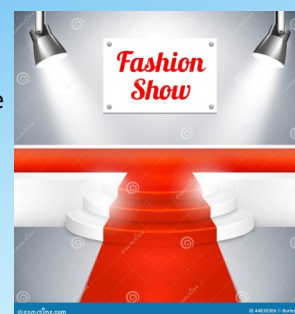


### PTFA - 'Blue Sky Fashion Show' Thursday 9th May in the Village Hall

If you haven't already done so, please remember to buy your tickets for what is to be a fantastic event run by our amazing PTFA. Tickets are available from School or The Post Office.

The price is £10 per ticket which includes a drink on arrival and a raffle ticket. Doors open at 6.30pm, the show starts at 7pm.

Please come along for a fun filled evening, with lots of bargains to be had!



### Class 2 River Walk

Children from Class 2 enjoyed a river walk with Rangers from Peak District National Park on Wednesday of this week. The children walked along Lathkill and Bradford rivers and took part in activities looking at the stages of Lathkill river, the water cycle and animals that live along the river. We also spent some time river dipping and looking for life in Bradford river by the bridge. It was an excellent day and we thank Julia, Sarah and Graham for leading us during the day.



### Our Chicks are hatching in Class 1!!!!

Before Easter, Mrs Teeboon donated some eggs to school for the children to watch them hatch. We are all very excited to see our chicks starting to hatch today, each class has had a turn to come and see them and we currently have 11 fluffy balls of fun with 4 more on the way. Our lovely Mrs Teeboon will be giving these chicks their forever home.



Our new Collective Worship theme is **Service** and we will be using the scripture quote 'Serve one another in love' from St Paul's letter to the Galatians 5.13.

During this half term we will also be celebrating Pentecost when the disciples received the Holy Spirit and began preaching God's message of love and peace.

We also say thank you to Rev'd Adele as she moves to a new role within the Diocese. We wish her well with her new role and give thanks for her ministry at All Saints' Church.

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