

# Newsletter April 2024



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## Welcome to the Summer Term!

Hopefully we will begin to see the return of some warmer weather this term. When it does arrive, it is really important that pupils stay healthy in the sunshine. If your child brings a sun hat to school, please write their name on it and apply sun cream (as required) prior to children arriving. Most sun creams will last the length of the school day so they do not need to bring additional cream with them to school.

The Summer term is always busy in school with assessments and our incredibly popular sports week where lots of sporting activities and opportunities have been planned for the children. Please see the attached diary dates for your information, particularly our class assemblies which will commence week beginning the 22nd April with our wonderful Year 5. The assemblies are a great opportunity for the children to showcase their learning and to celebrate their

achievements. We welcome all parents and carers to attend these events. The assemblies will take place at 2:30pm each Friday. We look forward to seeing you there!



It has been brought to our attention that a number of parents and carers are vaping on school grounds. We at Mackie Hill are committed to providing our pupils with a smoke free environment at school and ask that all parents and carers support us in this by refraining from smoking and vaping around school premises.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation and support.

More information will be shared via the school jotter.



# **Upcoming Events**

26th April-Year 5 class assembly

3rd May-Year 1 class assembly

w/c 13th May –Year 6 SATs all week w/c 20th May –Year 2 SATs all week

**24th May** - INSET day—School closes for Half Term.

**3rd June -** School reopens for Summer Term 2

7th June—Year 3 class assembly

w/c 10th June- Phonics screening all week

**11th June**-Year 4 Educational Visit to Pizza Express and the Royal Armouries

14th June-Year 4 class assembly

w/c 17th June-Year 4 multiplication check all week

w/c 17th June—Sports week

**18th June** – Foundation Stage Sports Day (PM)

**19th June**– Sports Day for KS1 & KS2-1:15pm

27th June– Summer Fayre

28th June—Year 2 Assembly

**5th July**— Foundation Stage Assembly (9:00am)

**11th July**—Year 6 leavers production. Timings TBC

**18th July**—Year 6 Leavers Assembly Timings TBC



#### Attendance matters

Parents and carers have a legal responsibility to ensure that their children attend school regularly. We expect every parent/carer to aim for their child to have 100% attendance.

Parents/ Carers must:

- Ensure their child attends everyday possible.
- Notify the school as soon as possible when their child has to be unexpectedly absent (e.g. sickness).
- Only request leave of absence in exceptional circumstances and do so in advance.
- Book medical appointments around the school day where possible.

For any other information on attendance or to seek help and support please contact:

office@mackiehill.wakefield.sch.uk

## **PTA updates**

Thank you to all of the children who entered the Easter egg competition before the Easter break. The entries were fantastic! A huge congratulations to our winners and runners up!

The Movie Night was a great success! The children had a wonderful evening watching 'Despicable Me' with their friends and ate their way through hotdogs and popcorn! A huge thank you to the school council and staff who

supported the event.

With the Summer Fayre fast approaching, the PTA are holding a Rainbow Raffle. Each class has been allocated a colour and we would be grateful for any donations of new, unopened items that can be added to individual coloured hampers.



# **Mackie Hill News**

This term we are saying good bye to our wonderful Mrs Pearson. We would like to say a huge thank you for the contribution that Mrs Pearson has made to Mackie Hill over the past 7 years as she moves on to new adventures. She is an amazing teacher and colleague and we will all miss her greatly. We wish her all the best for the future.

Finally we would like to wish Miss Marsden and her partner many congratulations as they welcomed their little girl in to the world over the Easter break. We wish them all well and we look forward to meeting her soon!

Thank you for your continued support. Ms Vasey & Mackie Hill Staff