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Newsletter 11- Friday 18th March 2022

Dear Parents & Carers,

Y6 Robinwood Residential

Our Y6 children went to the Maes-y-Nant Robinwood centre this week. It was so wonderful to be able to take all 35 Y6 children away especially after the last two years when residential experiences have just not been possible. They have had an absolutely brilliant time and demonstrated excellent behaviour throughout. They took part in a whole host of activities including: giant swing, caving, canoeing, zip wire, high ropes course, archery and climbing among many others. We have posted many photographs to our twitter page @Gaytonprimary to show some of the wonderful experiences they had. Huge thanks to Miss Nicholls and Mrs Ashcroft for giving up their time and for taking such good care of the children. We know that Y6 will hold onto the memories created here for many years to come.



National Statutory Testing 2022

National statutory testing begins this year after two years disrupted by Covid-19. Below we have shown an outline of the statutory testing that children will be completing in some year groups during the summer term. It is vital that your child is in school for these assessments.

Y1 Phonics screening- 6th June – 10th June 2022

Your child will complete the assessment with Miss Nederlof and they will be asked to read real and nonsense words. If your child doesn't pass the phonics screening check, they will take the test again in Year 2.

Y2- SATs- Taking place during May.

These will take place during May. The tests are usually completed in small groups and will be used to inform teacher judgements at the end of the year, alongside children's classwork.

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Y4- Times table check- Check will be administered between 6th June- 24th June 2022 for Year 4 pupils.



This assessment takes place online and is a timed assessment. Y4 parents can find out more about the Y4 times table assessment by attending the parent/child workshop that will take place on: **Monday 4th April 2022 at 9:00am.** This will be led by Miss Sothern, our maths lead.

Y6 SATs tests – Monday 9th May 2022- Thursday 12th May 2022

Monday 9th May- Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation.

Tuesday 10th May- Reading

Wednesday 11th May- Maths- Paper 1 and Paper 2

Thursday 12th May- Maths- Paper 3.



Y6 parents can find out more about the Y6 SATs by attending the meeting for parents on: **Monday 21st March at 7:00pm.** This will take place in the school hall.

Red Nose Day- Reminder



Many thanks to all our parents/carers for supporting Comic Relief. We will be passing on your donations to the charity so that they can continue to support wonderful charities that make a huge difference.

Punctuality:

Reminder: Please can I remind all parents that all children should be in school by **8:50am.** We are seeing an increasing number of families arriving late which results in lost learning time and disruption to the school office and classes when children arrive late. Your support with this would be gratefully appreciated as we need all our children in school on time.

School Uniform: Free Uniform Giveaway Day:

Wirral FUSS & FUPS are holding a free uniform giveaway day on April 2nd from 10:00am-12:30pm. This will take place at the Beacon Coffee Shop – 81 Telegraph Road, Heswall and is a great opportunity to get some free school uniform, if needed.

Wirral FUSS & FUPS

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Free Uniform for Primary Schools

FREE UNIFORM GIVEAWAY DAY

APRIL 2nd 2022 10-12.30pm

The Beacon Coffee Shop 81 Telegraph Road Heswall CH60 0AE

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OPAL Play afternoons with parents/carers

We are going to offer the following times and dates for parents/carers to come along to our parent and child OPAL play sessions. This will be a perfect opportunity for parents to see the developments and improvements that we are making as part of our outdoor play and learning programme. If it is wet you will need your wellies and a warm coat, but we hope that we will have some warmer weather by then!

* Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4 parents on **Monday 28th March 2022** from 2:00pm-3:00pm

*Year 1 and Year 6 parents on **Wednesday 30th March 2022** from 2:00pm- 3:00pm.

*Year 5 and F2 parents on **Friday 1st April 2022** from 2:00pm- 3:00pm.



We will also provide an opportunity for you to see your child's books on this afternoon as we know that you were unable to do this at the spring term parents' evening.

Sporting updates:

Well done to our Y6 football team who have played Raeburn and Irby in the Houlihan cup. Our team have won both matches and will compete against Pensby Primary School next week. Huge thanks to Mr Baxter for training with the team during a Thursday lunchtime.



KS2 Futsal Team- Wirral School Games

Our KS2 team (Y3 & 4) had a brilliant time at the KS2 futsal competition. Thank you to all the parents for transporting the children to and from the event and to Ms Fletcher for organising it.



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Y5/Y6 Girls' Football team

Our girls' football team represented Wirral in the Primary Stars U11's Regional Girls' cup. They were knocked out in the semi-final, but had a wonderful experience. Many thanks to Mr Blackie for training the team and to Miss Wear for taking the children to the event. We also want to say a huge thank you to Tranmere Rovers Football club for arranging this experience for our children and providing a mini bus to take them to and from the event.



Sports Hall Athletics event:

Our Y5/6 sports hall athletics team came 5th overall in the competition. Well done to everyone taking part.



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Cross country team (Y4- Y6)

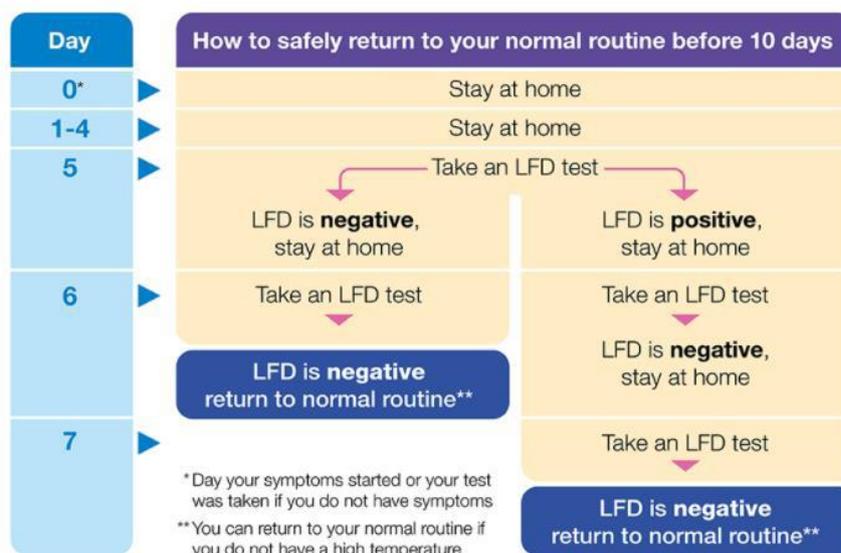
Well done to our cross country team who took part in the Arrowe Park event on Thursday 3rd March 2022. All our children performed very well with some new personal bests. Our girls' team came 3rd place overall in the competition. The next cross country event for Y4-Y6 will take place at Birkenhead Park on Thursday 17th March 2022. Details have been sent home via E-Schools to the parents of Y4-Y6 children.



Covid-19 updates:

Our covid-19 cases are increasing at the moment. **Please remember that if your child tests positive for covid-19, they must continue to isolate at home and avoid contact with other people for at least 5 full days and then continue to follow the guidance until they have received 2 negative test results on consecutive days or until the 10th day.** The flow chart below outlines when your child can return to school following their isolation period.

How to safely return to your normal routine before 10 days



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Sickness and Diarrhoea

It is common for children to experience sickness and diarrhoea at times. The NHS guidelines state that children should not return to school until 48 hours after their last bout of sickness/diarrhoea. We appreciate that this can be difficult for parents as sometimes your child can be sick once and then be absolutely fine. However, it is vital that parents do adhere to the 48 hours so that we can prevent it from spreading around the class.



The Christopher Salmon Poetry Competition 2022

Reminder: The deadline for entries is approaching. All entries must be received by Friday 25th March 2022.

Application forms are available in your child's class. It is vital that all parents sign the form. Parents can choose to submit their own child's entry or alternatively school will submit them as long as parents have signed the entry form. You can also download a word version of the form from [here](#).

If you would like school to submit the entry, please ensure your child has returned the form by the deadline of: **Friday 25th March 2022.**

Young Artists' Summer Show



Reminder: Any more entries for the Royal Academy of Arts Summer show need to be submitted to school by **Wednesday 23rd March 2022.**

Kind regards,

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Key Dates:

Date	Event
Friday 18 th March 2022	Red Nose Day Fundraising- Children can wear their own clothes with red noses. Donations via Parent Pay.
Monday 21 st March 2022- Friday 25 th March 2022	Neurodiversity week in school.
Monday 21 st March 2022	Y6 SATs parents' meeting at 7:00pm in the school hall.
Wednesday 23 rd March 2022	Deadline for entries for the Young Artists' Summer Show.
Friday 25 th March 2022	Deadline for school returns for Christopher Salmon Poetry competition.
Monday 28 th March 2022	OPAL Play afternoon for parents/carers (Y2, Y3 & Y4 parents) 2:00pm- 3:00pm.
Wednesday 30 th March 2022	OPAL Play afternoon for parents/carers (Y1 & Y6 parents) 2:00pm-3:00pm
Thursday 31 st March 2022	Cross Country relay at Oxton Fields. Please note that school can only enter 2 teams so children will be informed if they have been selected for this particular race.
Friday 1 st April 2022	OPAL Play afternoon for parents/carers (F2 & Y5 parents) 2:00pm-3:00pm
Saturday 2 nd April 2022	FUSS & FUPS Free uniform giveaway event from 10:00am-12:30pm @Beacon Coffee Shop Telegraph Road, Heswall.
Monday 4 th April 2022	Times table workshop for Y4 parents and children @9:00am in the school hall.
Friday 8 th April 2022	Break up today for spring break at 2:30pm.
Monday 25 th April 2022	Return to school following the spring break.
Monday 2 nd May 2022	Bank Holiday- School not open.
Thursday 5 th May 2022	Inset Day- School not open- School being used as a polling station.
Monday 9 th May 2022- Thursday 12 th May 2022	Year 6 SAT test week
Friday 27 th May 2022	Break up today for half term holiday.
Monday 30 th May - Friday 3 rd June 2022	Half term holiday
Monday 6 th June 2022	Children return to school

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