

Friday 24th March 2023

Newsletter Number 5 Spring Term 2023

Dear families,

Year 4 Barnstondale Residential

Year 4 had a great time at their trip to the Barnstondale Centre. They have improved their den-building skills; learnt how to make fire and challenged themselves during the abseiling and rock climbing sessions. Staff at the Barnstondale Centre thought that the children were delightful- well done Year 4.

Cake sales

The cake sales have been a huge success once again and we thank you all for your contributions. The last cake sale of the term is on **Thursday 30th March** when it is year 5 and year 6's turn to donate the cakes. Cakes will be 50p once again.

New school menu

Together with Stanley School, we are currently in the process of revamping our school lunch menu. Our class representatives met at the beginning of term to make suggestions based on our current menu options and to suggest alternatives to some of the less favoured items of the current menu. We then asked every child in the school to think about meals that they would like to see on the menu and this information is now being collated and put together as a new three week menu. **Once we have finalised this, we will be able to share it with you and issue a start date for the revamped menu so watch this space.**

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So far this year our PTA has helped to contribute towards the following things:

- Ipads- £1091 per quarter;
- PE equipment;
- £300 for each class to arrange a school trip;
- Christmas & Easter gifts for the children;

We have lots more planned throughout the year and if you would like to join the PTA and help to make suggestions for future fundraisers or spending goals, please join us on **Monday 17th April at 6.30pm** for our online PTA meeting. The link to the meeting is below and you just need to paste it into the search bar: https://meet.google.com/qwq-csqq-ynv

Easter Trail Hunt

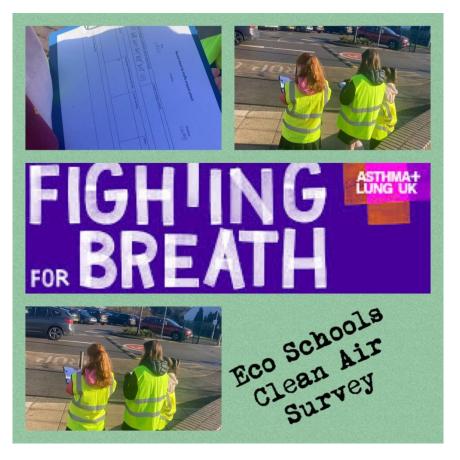
The PTA has arranged an Easter trail for the children on **Friday 31st March.** Each class will be given a time slot to complete the Easter trail with an Easter treat provided by our PTA at the end of it. What a lovely way to end the term.

WOW- Walk to school challenge

The children have been helping Miss Grant with the 'WOW' - Walk to School Challenge with Living Streets. The children have completed a survey of traffic around the school during drop off and will be repeat the survey at pick up to compare the data collected using the Living Streets app.

Children can earn special badges (made from recycled yoghurt pots!) just for walking, cycling or scooting to school and this is part of the new 'Air Quality Monsters' project. **Walk to school week takes place on 15th-19th May** so let's see how many children we can get walking, cycling or scooting to school ready for walk to school week.

We hope all of this will help edge us closer to our Green Flag award.



Full of Beans Holiday Club



Please see the attached flyer for details of the Full of Beans holiday club from **Tuesday 11th April-Friday 14th April.** You can book directly from the Full of Beans website which is detailed on the flyer.

Easter lunch

On **Tuesday 28th March**, we will be having a special lunch. Booking details have already been shared with you and if you have not consented for your child to have an Easter lunch, you will need to provide a packed lunch as there are no deli options that day.

Free Tennis session

There is an open day at Heswall Tennis Club on Sunday 26th March. Please see the flyer for more information.



Dates for the term

Please note that school closes on **Friday 31st March for the Easter holidays.** We hope that you all have a wonderful break and we will see you all on **Monday 17th April** when we return for the summer term.

DATE	TIME	EVENT	DETAILS
Tuesday 28 th March	12pm	Easter lunch	See details in this newsletter
Thursday 30 th March	3.15 to 3.40pm	Year 5 and 6 cake sale	See details in this newsletter
Friday 31 st March	All day	Easter treasure hunt	See details in this newsletter
Friday 31 st March	3.30pm	School closes for Easter break	
Monday 17 th April	8:40am	School reopens for summer term	
Monday 1 st May	All day	School closed for Bank Holiday	
Monday 8 th May	All day	School closed for King Charles' Coronation	
Tuesday 9 th May to Friday	All day	KS2 SATs week	Details sent to year 6 families
12 th May			
Thursday 11 th May	All day	Y2 Trip to Port Sunlight	Details sent to year 2 families
Monday 15 th May- Friday	All day	Walk to school week	See details in this newsletter
19 th May			
Thursday 25 th May	3.30pm	School closes for half term	
Friday 26 th May	School closed for INSET DAY		

A very special message from Mrs Brown

Dear families,

I wanted to pass on my thanks and appreciation for the many messages you have sent me during my recuperation. They have all been a real boost and kept me going! Who would have thought that a simple handbag strap getting out of a car could cause so many problems? I am now rattling around with a metal plate and seven screws in my leg - the NHS is amazing! I have missed so many elements of school life, but above all it has been the people I have missed - the children, staff and families. I am hoping to be back after the Easter break and look forward to seeing you all again and catching up on all your news. Please all have a good Easter break and keep safe and well. Thank you again, Mrs Brown.

Mrs K Wright- Deputy Headteacher