

27.5.2022

Dear Parents/carers,

Another busy half-term has flown by at New Park – there has been so much to celebrate in each class and for every child. I am particularly pleased that we have been able to restart our brilliant club offer and it is lovely to see the children enthusiastically learning new skills and following their passions. A big thank you to all school staff for putting on such a wide variety of exciting opportunities.

### EYFS Outdoor Area

I am sure you will all agree that our new outdoor area is absolutely brilliant! It is lovely to see how the children are using all the different areas of provision and the. I was particularly impressed with how quickly the team worked, not only installing the new equipment but also reusing the older pieces across the school. This meant that every child has access to new equipment at break and lunchtimes and these large grassy areas have proven an instant hit!



### SATs

This half-term has seen the return of the Year 6 SATs tests. The children were brilliantly prepared for these by Miss Watson, Mr Pratt and Miss Gillot, and they approached each test with confidence and good humour. We are very proud of each of them and look forward to celebrating their results in July.



### Jubilee Day

This week we celebrated the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in true British style – by having a picnic in the rain! It was lovely to see the children in their best, most colourful party clothes. EYFS and KS1 had their picnic in the hall but a huge effort from KS2 children to dry all the tables meant that they were able to eat outside. We raised over £200 which we will put towards the cost of future trips for the children.





### Bedtime Story Library

With the help of Mr Corbett, we have created a beautiful Bedtime Story Library by our Key Stage 1 entrance. This library is filled with books for all ages that have been donated by families, Harrogate library and local businesses. We will be opening the red door by the Key Stage 1 entrance each morning so that you can come in with your child and choose a book to take home to read. As soon as you've finished reading the book, bring it back and swap it for another one. There are books for our very youngest to oldest children along with a small selection of titles for adults too.

### Beach Trip

The New Park Beach trip is back! On Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June we are taking the whole school to Saltburn for a fantastic day at the seaside. We'll play in the sand, splash in the waves, look for crabs and starfish and have a picnic on the beach! There are almost 40 free spaces available for parents and carers who would like to come along and help, keep an eye out for the letter via ParentMail and make sure you sign up on ParentPay.



### Dates for your diary

30<sup>th</sup> May – 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Half term

20<sup>th</sup> June – Jubilee Day (School closed)

27<sup>th</sup> June – Whole School Beach Trip

11<sup>th</sup> July – Sports Day

22<sup>nd</sup> July – End of term

Have a wonderful half-term,

Mr Mold