

# NEWSLETTER



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We are into the swing of our Summer Term now, children are all working very hard and having one last push before the Summer Holidays - it is fantastic to see the effort they are putting in. As always, we do continue to work with the latest guidance to ensure we can keep everyone in school and safe, we really do appreciate your support and understanding with these matters.

## Home Learning / support

We have had parents ask us how they can continue to support children at home; on your child's class page of the school website, you will find their homework menu. These have been put together to include a variety of activities from across the curriculum, by carrying these out with your children you will also be able to engage them in talking about what they have learnt in school, and a vast number of opportunities will arise whereby you will be able to help them with skills such as reading, writing, numeracy as well as other areas of the curriculum.

Also, on our website there is a section under the 'About us' called 'curriculum progression'. After you have clicked on this you will be able to see the instant recall facts your child should know by the end of their current school year. It would be fantastic if you could help your children with these and embed them before the end of the year.

## Healthy Snacks

As a school we continue to make children aware of living a balanced and healthy lifestyle, just a reminder snacks brought in from home should be healthy, i.e fruit (dried or fresh), vegetables, healthy cereal bars etc.

## Weather

In typical fashion our weather is ever changing at the moment, some children have been caught out on bright mornings when it has started to rain and on grey morning when the sun has then shone. Please ensure your child is prepared for the weather that day i.e coat, sun hat, sun cream applied before school



## Blackman Class Sleep Over

Usually, Year 5 and 6 take part in a residential, sadly this has not been able to happen over the last 2 years. To ensure our children didn't miss out we brought the residential to them! Meeting at Grimsthorpe, children hiked back to school on Thursday evening carrying all their gear they would need for that night and the following day. On returning to school, they had to put up their own tents, before enjoying a BBQ and campfire. After a good(ish) night sleep they enjoyed bacon sandwiches. The weather was against us on Friday, but that didn't stop a brave few venturing into the torrential rain to build some new seating for our campfire from pallets. A huge thank you to staff who gave up their time to ensure this could go ahead.



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## Skills Builder

We started using Skills Builder this year to help teach our children a number of skills to help them learn and prepare them for their future. It has been a real hit in school and helped the children across their school life. We are very happy to announce we have been awarded the Silver Skills Builder Award, which for a school in its first year is a great achievement. The children have really engaged with this, and Miss Jarvis has done a super job leading it across school.



## School Developments

We are very happy to let you all know about some developments occurring over the Summer Holidays. Firstly, Jeffer' Class' outdoor area will be getting a transformation, with new flooring, shed and outdoor classroom area being installed. As well as this all classrooms will be getting a much needed brightening up. Possibly the most exciting development will be something we have been working on for quite a while - a Trim Trail! We always will continue to ensure we can provide the best possible environment for our children to thrive.

## Parking

There is a growing number of cars being parked at the gate to drop children off at the beginning of school. If there is no space on School Lane (away from the front of school) please use the village hall. On occasions when cars have stopped outside the school gates it has caused traffic disruptions and can also be dangerous for pedestrians.