

# **NEWSLETTER 17 JULY 2017**

Welcome to the final edition of our newsletter for this academic year. May we take this opportunity to wish you all a happy summer holiday. Please note the eSafety information included in this newsletter.

This week we say our final goodbye to our Year 6 pupils at St Wilfrid's and we all wish them the very best for their futures at High School; they are a credit to their parents and the school.

We also say farwell to Ms Smyth. Thank you for your 7 years of dedication to the school. We wish you all the very best for the future and look forward to hearing about the latest addition to your family in the autumn.

#### PTFA Summer Fair

Thank you to everyone who attended the PTFA Summer Fair. A fantastic £529 was raised. A special thank you to the PTFA who worked very hard, organising stalls, events and prizes and making sure an enjoyable evening was had by all.

## PTFA Disco

PTFA disco in association with Ribfest - Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July. Infants 6pm-7pm, Juniors 7pm-8pm. If anyone is able to help with the tuck shop please let a member of the PTFA know. Any help gratefully received.

## Cinderella & Rockerfella

Those lucky enough to see the KS2 performance last week couldn't fail to be impressed and amused by the performance of our talented pupils. It was a delight to watch and no doubt you are all very proud of your children, as we are in school. Many thanks to the staff, a huge effort went into rehearsals, costumes, scenery and helping backstage during the performances. Well done everyone.

Thank you to the PTFA for the complimentary bottle of water given to each member of the audience. They were greatly appreciated.

## Leavers' Service

The leavers' service will be held in SS Peter and Paul Church on Friday at 2pm. Children can be dismissed from the church following the service if we have received confirmation of this (see letter coming home today). Any children we know to be being picked up from church will have their bags with them. Otherwise the children will return to school.

#### Milk for Calder and Hodder Class

If your child would like to receive milk next term please return the reply slip and payment as per the letter dated 4<sup>th</sup> July. The order for milk will be going in this week, and milk will not be ordered for anyone who hasn't replied/paid.

#### Looking forward to September 2017

School will re-open for all children on Monday 4th September. Attached is a copy of next year's holiday pattern. This is also available to view on the school website.

# Year 7 and Reception Admissions for September 2018

Applications are to be made via the Schools section of the Lancashire County Council website <u>www.lancashire.gov.uk.</u> This will go live in September 2017. Secondary School applications need to be in by  $31^{st}$  October 2017 and Primary applications by  $15^{th}$  January 2018.

## Headteacher Awards



# <u>eSAFETY</u>

SnapChat, used regularly by many children of primary age despite an age limit of 13+, have recently launched a new feature SnapMaps. This feature enables strangers to know the exact location of children using the app on their phones/devices and also to track a child's movements. It also allows strangers to access photos and videos the child is making and children to access other users' photos and videos. The associated risks are quite clear!

Parents are encouraged to check their child's mobile phone/devices for apps which are designed for older children and if so remove such apps. If parents know their child is using apps such as SnapChat, Instagram, Facebook (all age 13+) or What's app (16+) then at the very least please check the security settings on the apps are set to protect your child. For SnapMaps there are three possible privacy settings:

- Ghost mode only you can see your position
- My Friends mode anyone can see your location
- Select Friends mode just those who you choose can see you

ChildNet have posted a thorough explanation of SnapMaps and how to ensure users stay safe. Well worth a read if your child has a mobile phone or device.

http://www.childnet.com/blog/introducing-snap-maps-the-new-location-sharing-feature-in-snapchat

We have also been made aware of one of our pupils receiving inappropriate messages from strangers through the online game Roblox. Please see further information on the Childnet website for more information on keeping your child safe online.

http://www.childnet.com/ufiles/Online-gaming.pdf

http://www.childnet.com/ufiles/Supporting-young-people-online.pdf

# **Diary of Dates:**

18 <sup>th</sup> July	Ribfest Performance - 3.45pm
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5: St Cecilia's Summer Concert (10.30am to 12.30pm) PACKED LUNCH REQUIRED
19 <sup>th</sup> July	PTFA Disco in association with RibFest 6-7pm Infants, 7-8pm Juniors
20 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Treat
21 <sup>st</sup> July	End of School Year. Leavers service at St Peter and St Paul's (2pm).
1 <sup>st</sup> September	Inset Day
4 <sup>th</sup> September	School re-opens
25 <sup>th</sup> September	Tempest Photography – individual and family photographs

# easyfundraising

Thank you to our supporters (21 in total) who've raised £15.11 of free donations in the last 30 days. £367.63 RAISED IN TOTAL If you're not already set up as a supporter it's easy to do, just visit <u>https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/ribchesterswcptfa/</u>

# Ribchester St Wilfrid's C of E Primary - School Holiday Pattern 2017/2018

# AUTUMN TERM 2017

		Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2017 <b>(INSET)</b>
Re-open on for children:		Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2017
Half-Term closure on:		Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October - <i>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2017</i> (INSET)
Re-open on		Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> November 2017
Closure after school on:		Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2017
Number of openings:	74	
SPRING TERM 2018		
Re-open on for children:		Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2018
Half-Term closure on:		Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February- <i>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2018</i> (INSET)
Re-open on for children:		Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> February 2018
Closure after school on:		Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March 2018
Number of openings:	49	
SUMMER TERM 2018		
		Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> April 2018 (INSET)
Re-open on for children		Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> April 2018
May Day Closure:		Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> May 2018
Half-Term closure on:		Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> May- <i>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2018 (</i> INSET)
Re-open on for children		Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> June 2018
Closure after school:		Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2018
Number of openings:	67	
TOTAL NUMBER OF OPENINGS –	190	