Weekly Newsletter – 20th June 2016

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Warsop Carnival

Birklands Primary School will be participating in the carnival on Sunday 3rd July and will take part in the procession of floats.

The theme for the carnival is 'The Elements'. We will be selecting children this week to join us on the float. We are very happy that one of our pupils, Curtis Preston, has been selected to be a Carnival Prince!

Please come along on the day and help us to enjoy this community event. Let's hope for some good weather!



<u>Thank You</u>

A big thank you to all parents and carers who supported the PTFA activities last week. The discos raised £260 and the Father's Day gifts over £100. The PTFA do a fantastic job in supporting Birklands and have recently paid for £1200 worth of books for the school as well as subsidising the cost of the Year 6 residential trip. If anyone feels they can help by joining the PTFA then please see one of the members or Mrs Hughes in reception.



Monday 20th June Phonics Club 3-4pm

Tuesday 21st June

Phonics Club 3-4pm Dance Club 3-4pm

Wednesday 22nd June

Multi-Skills after school sports club – Years 3/4

Thursday 23rdJune

Swimming for Year 5

Friday 24th June

Corporal Butcher after school club

<u>Gates</u>

Can we please ask that all parents are mindful about who they are letting into the school grounds. The gates are there for the protection of our children and should only be opened by staff members. Please also ensure that the gate is closed behind you and the bolt pushed across.

School Dinners

We have decided not to send out any forms to pre-order dinners this time. We have listened to what the children have said and the majority prefer to order on the day as they very often change their mind from the original order. Therefore, from this week we will be asking children on the day which option they would like.

<u>Headlice</u>

We have had a few reported cases recently of headlice. Can we please ask that you check your child's hair regularly and treat if necessary. If you need any help or advice then please let us know and we can put you in touch with the school nurse.

Free Childcare

From September 2017, parents of 3 and 4-year-old children, who work at least 16 hours per week, will be entitled to 30 hours per week free childcare in term time only, or approximately 22 hours per week spread over the whole year.

The Department for Education has asked Nottinghamshire County Council to carry out a survey so that they can find out what kind of childcare families need in preparation for next year. It's really important to them that parents inform their planning from the outset.

If you have children, born between 1st September 2012 and 31st August 2014 please use this opportunity to have your say, and shape future childcare in Nottinghamshire.

The online survey is open until July 6th.

Those parents who complete the survey, and leave their contact details, will be entered into a free prize draw to win 1st prize of £100 of high street vouchers, and 2nd prize £50 of high street vouchers!

The survey is available online: <u>https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/KSG6WQF</u>

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More Important News

Stars of the week ending 17th June were: Reception – Billie Alvey & Summer Palmer Year 1 – Krystal Hargreaves & Leila Henson Year 2 – Pauliasi Dau & Owdin Gill Year 3/4 L – Curtis Hartley & Sophie McRell Year 3/4 P – Ruby Widdowson & Dylan Zhuta Year 5 – Abbie Morley & Logan Rayner Year 6 – Ella Bettridge & Brooke Simpson

<u>Attendance</u>

Attendance last week was 93.5% which is a very slight improvement on last week but is still very low. The class with the best attendance was Nightingale class with 97.3% - keep it up!

Please continue to support us in making sure your child comes to school ready to learn. If your child has a minor cough, cold, headache or other ailment, please continue to send them in to school and we will monitor them. If your child is ill then we will call you to pick them up. Please ensure that we have your most up-todate contact details on our records. We are currently working with Meden's Attendance Officer who will be making home visits if we do not have a valid reason for your child's absence.

We would love you to...

Join us for Maths games on a Tuesday morning from 8.30am.

Reading every Friday morning from 8.30am.

CHILDREN WILL RECEIVE A TEAM POINT EVERY TIME THEY ATTEND!!

Breakfast Club is held on a daily basis from 8.00am to 8.30am at a cost of £1.20



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