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Dear parents and carers,

I hope you all had an enjoyable fortnight during the school holidays and have been enjoying the lovely weather this week too. We have had an excellent week in school and once again your children have been super stars. We all continue to be proud of the resilience they have shown throughout the year and the effort they put into all they do. I think they too have benefitted from some summer weather this week and enjoyed being able to play outside on the field in the sunshine every day. We would also like to take this opportunity to once again thank you for your unwavering support and understanding this year – it is greatly appreciated! Only one half-term left and we have made it through a full school year during a global pandemic. Something I don't think any of us would have even considered 18 months ago!

Apologies for not being present on the playground as much recently on mornings and especially afternoons but I hope to be able to reappear soon! I can assure you that, during this sunny weather especially, I would much rather be out on the playground rather than by the computer or phone. I just hope that when I do come out, I don't bring the rain and cold.

Year 4 Trip to the archaeological site

On Wednesday this week, Year 4 had a hugely enjoyable morning down in Kinsley seeing the newly discovered Roman remains. They walked safely there and back and spent around an hour on site watching archaeologists in action, seeing some of the discoveries and asking questions to the experts. It was lovely to see such enthusiasm and excitement about embarking on a school trip after so long without them – Mr Downes was especially excited being History Leader. The children were exceptionally well behaved and respectful during the visit and we were all so proud of them all for being fantastic representatives of the school. You can see some of the photos of the trip on Twitter if you haven't looked already.

Year 6 – Outwood Academy Hemsworth Transition Day and Summer School

OAH have confirmed that their Transition day will be on Thursday 8th July. We have been informed that pupils will be expected to arrive at OAH in time for the day beginning at 8:45am and that you will need to ensure they are able to get there for this time – there will not be a bus provided from our school to Hemsworth as some of you with older children will remember there once was. The children will be provided with a free meal at OAH so they do not need to take a lunch. The day will finish at 2pm and the children will need either collecting by yourselves or you will need to give permission for them to make their own way home. We will send out more information nearer to the time.

We are aware that some parents have been contacted regarding Summer School which will run from 26th July 2021. Our school closes on the 28th July so we have had some queries regarding this. We wanted to confirm that it is perfectly fine for your children to attend these days at their new high school. However, we understand any decisions made where you would prefer for them to continue attending Fitzwilliam for their final few days. You would just need to communicate your intentions with the academy and ourselves.

Attendance – Summer 2 – Week 1

Year Group	Attendance (%)
UFS	94.4%
1	96.9%
2	92.3%
3	97.1%
4	94.0%
5	98.4%
6	96.0%
School Average	96.0%

This week we have to say well done to **Year 5** who were our attendance champions.



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During last half-term, we asked the opinions of parents and carers to help contribute to the review of school's values. Thank you to those parents and carers who contributed. Following our INSET day, we have introduced the children to the agreed four core values and are now trying to help the children understand these and how to demonstrate them in day-to-day life, inside and outside of school. The agreed four core values are below and they perfectly align with the core values of the Inspire Partnership Multi-Academy Trust:

- Respect**
- Responsibility**
- Resilience**
- Recognition**

Below, you will be able to see how these values will now drive our weekly Golden Assembly.

Golden Workers – Core Values

This week, we have started to link our assembly to our newly agreed core values and have been celebrating the efforts of children in school who have shown **respect**.

Golden Assembly - Core Values		
	Respect being respectful being tolerant being kind	
Responsibility being responsible being honest being reflective		Resilience being resilient showing perseverance valuing self-worth
Recognition showing appreciation taking pride		
Date:	Summer 2 - Week 1 - Friday 11 th June 2021	
Year group	Pupil	Reason
1	Sophia S	working respectfully with her peers and has listened carefully to their ideas during our discussion time, which has given her more confidence to share her own excellent ideas
2	Amelia N	Showing respect to herself and the class by using her thumbs more when she wants to share an idea
3	Jacob H	is ALWAYS polite, kind and friendly towards EVERYONE, both adults and children. When it comes to being respectful, Jacob is a real role model for his class.
4	Eloise C	she treats adults and her friends with respect and always has a polite and friendly manner.
5	Jacob W	always being respectful, polite and considerate of others.
6	Brooke J	always listens to the ideas of other pupils when discussing learning and always listens to the feedback and instructions given by staff

Next week we will be looking for pupils being **responsible**.

Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
Monday 5 th – Friday 9 th July 2021	Assessment Week
Thursday 8 th July 2021	Year 6 Transition Day – Outwood Academy Hemsworth
Week beginning 19 th July 2021	Year 6 Leaver's Event – Date TBC
Tuesday 20 th July 2021	Meet your child's new teacher meeting
Wednesday 28 th July 2021	School closes for summer holidays
Wednesday 8 th September 2021	School re-opens for the new academic year

More specific dates may be confirmed in due course once we know the impact of easing of restrictions

Have a fantastic weekend in the sun – stay safe and don't forget your sun cream!

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SAFEGUARDING

Please be aware of how long children spend on devices and monitor their use.

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/need-help>

Further information can be found at:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/schools-esafety/primary/>

<https://www.childline.org.uk/>

<https://www.papyrus-uk.org/>

<https://www.net-aware.org.uk/networks/tiktok/>

ICON

Unfortunately, Wakefield has experienced recent baby deaths here in the district as a result of overlay, unsafe sleeping and shaken babies. The ICON program can help to prevent this with the support it provides:

- I – Infant crying is normal;
- C – Comforting methods can help;
- O – It's OK to walk away;
- N – Never, ever shake a baby

[Wakefield safeguarding children partnership \(wakefieldscp.org.uk\)](http://wakefieldscp.org.uk) – info for staff and parents, including the safer sleeping standard information.

[The Lullaby Trust - Safer sleep for babies, Support for families](#) – info for staff and parents.

Other useful links:

<https://parentinfo.org> - resources and guidance for parents on a wealth of subjects

<https://www.net-aware.org.uk/networks/> - guidance about popular apps, games and networks children may be accessing

<https://www.starwakefield.org.uk/> - resources and support to help deal with bereavement

<https://www.camhs-resources.co.uk/> - resources to help with mental health and wellbeing

<https://youngminds.org.uk/> - Young Minds

<https://wf-i-can.co.uk/> - Online resources for children and young people in Wakefield with mental health and wellbeing

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/> - NSPCC

<https://www.lullabytrust.org.uk/> - website for safer sleep for babies

www.iconcope.org – website offering support around normal infant crying and how to cope / manage this

Useful Numbers

YOUNG MINDS PARENTS HELPLINE: 0808 8025544

CHILD LINE - Help for adults concerned about a child call us on 0808 800 5000

CHILD LINE - Help for children and young people call Childline on 0800 1111

NHS - For urgent medical help – use the NHS 111 online service, or call 111 if you're unable to get help online.

NHS - For life-threatening emergencies – call 999 for an ambulance.

POLICE – 101 for non-emergencies or 999 in an emergency

REFUGE – Call 0808 2000 247 for support from the National Domestic Abuse Helpline

NORMANTON FOOD BANK - 01924 895634 or 07307 189851



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COVID19 Symptoms At Home Flow Chart

