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Dear Parents and Guardians,

There are no attendance winners this week as our SIMS system has been transferring over, but we look forward to celebrating double winners next week once the process is complete.

#### This Week's Highlights:

- **Year 6 SATs Celebration:** Our Year 6 pupils have worked incredibly hard to complete their SATs this week, and staff are extremely proud of their determination and effort. On Thursday afternoon, they enjoyed some well-earned fun on the inflatable assault course, played games, and had some tasty snacks. Well done, Year 6!
- **Reading Ambassadors Visit Waterstones:** On Friday, our Reading Ambassadors visited Waterstones to choose and purchase new books for the Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 libraries. This was made possible thanks to the funds raised during this year's World Book Day — thank you to everyone who contributed.
- **Gardening and Outdoor Learning:** This week, each year group began weeding and planting new flowers in their planters. Gardening is a great way to support children's mental wellbeing, brighten our outdoor spaces, and improve the school environment. Thank you to the volunteers who have offered their help — we will be in touch soon.

#### Upcoming Events

- Next week marks the start of **Walk to School Week**, a fun five-day challenge designed to encourage children to walk, cycle, or scoot to school each day. We warmly invite parents to support this initiative by parking a short distance from the school, helping to reduce congestion and air pollution at the school gates while also improving road safety. Even if pupils can only walk or wheel the last few minutes of their journey, they can still take part in the challenge and earn their reward, making every step count toward a healthier, safer, and greener start to the day.
- Next Friday, school will finish at 2pm for half term, and all children can enjoy a free MUFTI Day.
- Parents will have the opportunity to meet their child's new class teachers before September. Please see the table below for days and times.
- Dates and times for our Sports Days have been confirmed. Please see the table below for full details.
- With the up and coming by-election, school has been notified that it will close on that day. As yet we have not been given the date but will keep you informed as soon as we know.

#### Reminders:

- **Breakfast and After-School Club:** Please remember to book online **before midnight the day before** if you wish to reserve a place for your child. This helps us plan staffing and ensure a safe, fun environment for everyone.
- **Lockdown Drill:** At some point during this half term, we will be holding a lockdown drill. Prior to the drill, the children will have a brief session explaining our procedures, so they know exactly what to do. Safety is always our top priority.

Thank you for your continued support.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2026	Walk to School Week
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2026	Break for Half Term – 2.00pm finish time
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2026	Back to school after half term
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2026	Y2-Y6 Music Alive – Jazz Ensemble
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Reception – Porridge Morning
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	World Cup Celebration Day
Tuesday 16-Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Trip to Spain
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Reception & Y1 Father’s Day Coffee Mornings
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Father’s Day Market
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June 2026	KS2 Sports Day 9.15am – Y3/4 1.30pm – Y5/Y6
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June 2026	Wigan & Leigh Hospice Whole School Assembly
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Y3 trip to Lake District
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	KS1 Sports Day 9.15am – Reception 1.30pm – Y1/Y2
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Summer Disco
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2026 – Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Y6 PGL trip
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	St. Peter’s Walking Day
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	KS2 Dance For Rights
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Wellfest (please note change of date)
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Y5 trip to Edge Hill
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	3.20pm – Y5 & Y6 meet the teachers for parents
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Y6 Leaver’s Assembly – 2.00pm
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	3.20pm – Y3 & Y4 meet the teachers for parents
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	3.20pm – Y1 & Y2 meet the teachers for parents
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Nicol Mere Talent Show (pm)
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Break for Summer – finish at 2.00pm

