

## Parent Weekly Communication Letter – Friday 5th July 2024.

### Academy News

#### **Transition**

The children really enjoyed meeting their new teachers this week. I completed several walk rounds on Monday and Tuesday and the children looked happy in their new classrooms.

Children who need extra transition will continue to visit their new classes and have opportunities to meet with the staff they will be with in September. If you have a child with an EHCP and would like to meet with the next teacher, there is still time to book an appointment.

#### **KS1 Singing Workshop**

On Wednesday, the children in Key Stage 1 enjoyed a morning of singing with Great Yarmouth Schools' Music Association. This was a free event. The aim of the Great Yarmouth Schools' Music Association (GYSMA), a registered charity, is to enable all local schools to join together, and for pupils to share in the enjoyment and experience of live music-making. GYSMA, which started at Great Yarmouth Town Hall in 1948, is in its 76<sup>th</sup> year and is still committed to providing opportunities for the pupils of Great Yarmouth to experience playing, singing and performing live music together. Feedback from the children was very positive.

#### **Herman's Election**

This week the children had the chance to cast their own votes for the party of their choice. The children had listened to the manifestos of each party and, as part of their PSHE curriculum, cast their votes just as they would in a real election. The votes have been counted, and at Herman the Green Party were the victors with the Labour Party in second place.

#### **Shrek Rehearsal**

A reminder that there is a rehearsal on Saturday this week and the rehearsal on Thursday will last until 5.30pm. Thank you to everyone who is giving up their time to make this happen. I am looking forward to seeing the final production in the last week of the term.

#### **Summer Fete**

Thank you to everyone who was able to send in donations today. The Summer Community Fete will take place on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July at Herman, starting at 11am. This is a joint project with Freshly Grated. The Eco Garden will be open, there will be lots of stalls, live music and there will also be an over 16's football tournament in aid of raising awareness of dementia. Proceeds from the football matches will go to Lydia Eva who are helping to run it. We are looking forward to seeing lots of you there.

#### **Thank you!**

Thank you to everyone who supported the recent disco. As you know, we wanted to use your donations to support Sepsis UK in memory of Alex Rogers. We were able to send a huge £350 as well as an extra £60 that Tia's Treasures raised. Thank you again for your support and a special thank you to Lisa H. for teaming up with us.

### Diary Dates

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July: Shrek rehearsal 9.00am to 11.30am.  
Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July: Y6 Jump and Bowling trip.  
Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July: New Nursery pupils induction sessions.  
Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July: Summer Fete.  
Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July: Y6 Beach Day.  
Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July: Shrek performance 5.30pm.  
Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July: Shrek performance 5.30pm.  
Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July: Y6 Leavers disco.  
Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July: Y6 Leavers Assembly 9.30am.  
Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July: Final Day of 2023-24 Academic Year.

### **Weekly Winners**

Each week, teachers select a pupil who has particularly impressed them with their attitude to learning, behaviour, effort etc. This week's stars are:

- Adventurers: Jake
- Explorers: The whole class!
- Searchers: Georgina
- Seekers: Zanaya
- Pioneers: Parker T.
- Investigators: Memphis-Rose
- Wayfarers: Skye
- Navigators: Daisy
- Creators: Catarina
- Pathfinders: Olivia
- Voyagers: Rosie
- Venturers: Isabella
- Crusaders: Ellie-Mai
- Discoverers: Noah

This week's Principal Award goes to Evelyn (Y1), Delilah (Y2), Zirwa (Y3), Gracie (Y4), Damir (Y4), Lily-Rae (Y5), Ellen (PA), Evelyn (Y6), Ethan (Y6). The certificates will be presented in next week's assembly.

### **Attendance**

The Summer Term Attendance Prize will be a family ticket to a local attraction, such as Banham Zoo, Africa Alive, Pleasurewood Hills, The Pleasure Beach, or Pettits. We will contact you if your child wins to determine where you would like us to book the tickets.

There will be a prize for EYFS / KS1 and a prize for KS2. Winners will be drawn at the end of the Summer Term. All children whose attendance is 98% or above will have the chance to win.

The winning classes for the collective highest attendance this week are:

Early Years and Key Stage 1: Seekers

Key Stage 2: Creators

A big well done to both classes!

We are always striving to improve our attendance figures. Children who are in school are safe and accessing education to help them thrive. They are socialising with peers and learning how to be positive members of their community.

Our year-to-date attendance target is 96%, the whole school's attendance is 94.37% this week.

Wherever possible, please ensure your child is attending every day to avoid missing valuable learning opportunities.

#### **Community News**

I would like to say a big thank you to Tesco in Great Yarmouth who have donated a huge number of items to sell at the Summer Fayre. They have also donated burgers and sausages for the BBQ on this day. We are very grateful for their support and generosity.