



# The Thursday Green 'Un

Summer 2 June 2024

## Summer Term

Welcome back for the final half term of this school year. We hope you had a nice half term break together. Before the holidays the Y6s visited Castleton and had a fantastic time, it was so nice for them to spend time together in a relaxed environment experiencing so many different activities. The weather was soggy to say the least! Plans are being finalised for the Y5s to go to London and the Y3s to go camping in a few weeks. It is these types of events that make WCM a special place to be part of.

Plans for the WCM Carnival at the end of the Summer Term are well underway, there are a number of things you can do to support us with the big event (see page 2).

As ever just the usual reminder to let us know if there is anything you think we can do better or have got wrong. We will always listen and try to improve what we do but we can only do this if we know about it. Call in to the office and ask to talk to someone or email [office@watercliffe.sheffield.sch.uk](mailto:office@watercliffe.sheffield.sch.uk)

## Parent Governor Message

Hello, I am Cathy Baker and I wanted to introduce myself as one of the Parent Governors for Watercliffe meadow.

I have two boys who attend the WCM. One in F1 and the other in Y2 and we all love being part of the WCM community.

I put my name forward to be a Parent Governor about a year ago, when in it was advertised in the WCM Green Un, not really knowing what would be involved or what I could bring to the table. But I am so glad I did as it has been a great experience.

There are a few of us Parent Governors on the WCM Governors Board and having the perspective of parents is so important to help keep WCM running to the best it can.

We have the privilege of seeing the amount time and effort that goes in from every staff

member to keep our kids not just educated but happy, healthy and cared for. And we have a voice, that is taken seriously to try and help where we can.

The voice we have represents all the parents and children at WCM so if you ever have an issue or idea of anything you feel needs taking to the Governors then please feel free to come and chat with me or any of the parent Governors (you will be able to look us up on the new website) and we will do what we can to help.

## New WCM Website

We are very excited to let you know that our new website is now live!

Please take some time to take a look. We've listened to your feedback and we really hope our new site will give you much more information that you need, such as calendar dates, letters, term dates and school meal information. You will also find our Blog pages there too, along with lots of information about our team.

Please visit [watercliffemeadow.com](http://watercliffemeadow.com) We'd love to know your feedback; please drop us an email to [office@watercliffe.sheffield.sch.uk](mailto:office@watercliffe.sheffield.sch.uk) to let us know what you think!

Thank you, WCM

## New F2 Parents Meetings

September sees the start of a school adventure for current Nursery children. Miss Lane and Mrs Moss will be running 2 play and stay sessions on Tuesday 2nd July followed by a new to F2 family meeting. This will be to give you some information about school and you can ask any questions you may have. We will be asking you to sign up to a morning or afternoon session soon.

## Litter

Could we please ask you to remind your children about dropping litter as they leave school at the end of the day. We have been contacted by a couple of local residents to say there is often litter dropped as children leave

school. We know how excellent our children are at looking after the school environment and we know they can do it in the local area too.

### **Holidays**

As you will probably know school is not allowed to authorise any holidays during term time for anyone. This advice is given by the local authority and it is the local authority who decide if fines are issued. We do recognise that for families this is difficult. If you are thinking of booking a holiday for next year the best time to take children out of school is in the last half term as this will have a minimal affect on learning. If you would like to discuss this, please call in to school to see Claire Bradley.

### **Sports Days**

These will take place on the school field on **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June**. A letter with more information was sent home last week. If you have any questions please call in and ask us. Remember the only parent access to the field is through the Shirecliffe Road entrance, not through school.

### **Nursery Places**

Our Nursery Team are busy arranging admission for the autumn term. If you know someone who has a child who will be 3, please get them to contact us for an application form. Email [office@watercliffe.sheffield.sch.uk](mailto:office@watercliffe.sheffield.sch.uk) if you would like an application form sending out.

### **Lost Property**

If your child has recently lost any belongings at school, please call in to the entrance where our lost property rail is situated. It is well organised and easy for you to spot anything that belongs to you.

### **Summer Carnival**

Our Summer Carnival this year will be on **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2.00pm – 4.00pm**.

We are hoping for good weather after last year's rain and heatwave the year before! As with most things we do, this event will only be successful with the help and support of our community.

### **How You Can Help:**

- If you are having a clear out, please donate any toys, games or books for us to sell on our Nearly New Toy Stall. These must be in excellent condition – no jumble

please! Bring to school from **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July**.

- Cakes and buns – please do some baking for us to sell on our Cake Stall. Bring to school on the morning of the Carnival.
- We also need prizes for our raffle and tombola stall. If you have any unwanted gifts, or non-perishable food items, tins etc. bring these to school from **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July**.

We do need helpers on the day from 12 noon to prepare and set up, and to help with stalls. If you can spare some time to help us on the day, please see Sarah Flanagan or Liz Graham in the School Office, or email us on [office@watercliffe.sheffield.sch.uk](mailto:office@watercliffe.sheffield.sch.uk).

### **Dates for your Diary**

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June** - Y1

Phonics Screening Week

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June** - Sports Day AM:Y5/6  
PM:Y3/4

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June** - Sports Day AM:  
Nursery, PM: F2-Y2

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June** - Year  
5 & 6 Show

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June** - Class Photos  
Meet the Teacher: 1st July Y3&4 (pm),  
**2nd July** Y5&6 (am), Y1&2 (pm)

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July** - INSET Day School  
closed to children

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July** - Year 3 Residential

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July** - Cosy Read

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July** – Drop-in for families  
to discuss latest assessments

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July** - Y5 London Residential

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July** – Carnival

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July** – Year 6 Prom  
(6:30pm for 7:00pm meal)

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July** - Reports  
(Watercliffe Meadow University Folders)  
going out

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July** - Year 6 Leavers'  
Assembly

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July** - School closes  
for summer break

Term dates for September 2024/25 academic  
year can be found at

[https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/sites/default/files/2023-03/term\\_dates\\_and\\_bank\\_holiday\\_2024-25.pdf](https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/sites/default/files/2023-03/term_dates_and_bank_holiday_2024-25.pdf)