

**GORSEYBRIGG PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
**HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYBODY!**

**Useful Information**

**Start and End of the School Day**

Please could I remind parents and family members not to congregate around the school gate area at these times as it makes it difficult for others to pass.

Please could I also ask that children who bring bikes or scooters to school do not play on them within the school grounds. Please could you discuss this safety issue with your child/ren. Safety on the path outside school should also be discussed. Thank you for your support with these issues.

**Y6 Transition to DHFS Week Monday 16<sup>th</sup> July – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2018**

All Y6 children in Dronfield will transfer to DHFS for this week of the Summer Term to ensure a calm, efficient and successful start to their secondary education in September.

The usual end of term activities e.g. Y6 Congratulations Assembly, Y6 Top Table Lunch, School Picnic Day etc will be brought forward to ensure a proper farewell and celebration of their Primary School years.

**Addresses and Contact Numbers**

Please advise us of any change of address or emergency contact numbers. This must be done on an official school form as we need a signed request to amend details. This is VERY IMPORTANT to enable us to keep school records up to date. Please do not hesitate to call at the reception desk to check the accuracy of the contact information we hold.

**Dinner Money**

Dinner money costs £10.00 per week (£2.00 per day for Y3 – 6 only) and should be paid **IN ADVANCE** via Parentpay. Thank you.

**SATs/Assessments 2018**

Year 1	Phonics Check – week beginning Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> June 2018
Year 2	Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> May 2018
Year 6	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> May 2018

**Holidays in Term Time**

Holidays in term-time cannot be authorised unless there are exceptional circumstances. Please request forms from the main Reception desk.

**Voluntary One Way System and Parking**

We would like to emphasise the following points:

- Please adhere to the voluntary **one-way system** around Balmoral Crescent.
- Do not park or drop off on the zigzag lines outside the school gates.
- Do not park or drop off directly opposite the school gates. (This continues to happen regularly!)
- Please park away from the school and walk a short distance if possible.

Basically, please park sensibly for the safety of the children. The police are aware of the difficulties we experience.

**Bag 2 School (Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> April)**

There will be another collection of unwanted clothes (in good condition), bags, belts, shoes, soft toys etc (no bedding or curtains) on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> April. We have raised a lot of money by doing this previously, so please collect and save! The collection is straight after the Easter holiday so please have a good Easter sort-out!

**Voluntary Contributions for School Activities**

We try to organise exciting activities and events on a regular basis to enrich the curriculum for the children. Many of these activities cost money and we need to ask for voluntary contributions towards the cost from parents. We always consider the cost carefully and keep contributions to a minimum. We hope you feel able to continue supporting these extra activities and agree that they benefit the children. Please, never hesitate to discuss any difficulties with the school office. Thank you.

**Tissues**

We are always short of tissues in the classrooms! If you can supply a box, please bring them in to the Reception Desk or give them to your child's class teacher. Thank you.

**Head Lice**

Head lice are a common problem in all schools. Please check your child's hair regularly and treat as necessary, to help us overcome this problem.

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**DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR – SPRING TERM 2018**

- **Key Step Gymnastics (Y2)** – Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January (pm)
- **Key Step Gymnastics (Y3)** – Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> January (am)
- **Annual Pantomime ‘Jack and the Beanstalk’ (N-Y6)** – Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> January 1.30pm PTFA funded (£550)
- **Year 4 Swimming Starts** – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January
- **Closing date for Admissions to Infant/Primary Schools 2018/19** – Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January (midnight)
- **Young Voices** – Sheffield Arena – 18<sup>th</sup> January
- **Nursery Open Morning** – Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 9.30-10.30 am. Please tell family and friends who may be interested.
- **Greek Breakfast (Y4)** – Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January 8.15-8.45, children in Y4 £2.00, others £2.00. Please ensure you complete the booking slip.
- **Celebration of Learning Day (R-Y6)** – Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January 8.30 - 9.00 am and 3.30 - 5.00 pm (Y4/Y5 only – until 6.00 pm). Parents and/or family members are invited into school to view their child’s work with their child.
- **Y4/Y5 Residential Whitehall Visit** – Meeting for Parents – Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January @ 6.00 pm.
- **Safer Internet Day** – Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February.
- **KS2 Valentines Disco** – Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February
- **Half Term Holiday** – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February- Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February.
- **World Book Day** – Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March
- **Nursery Open Morning** – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 9.30-10.30 am. Please tell family and friends who may be interested.
- **Y2 and Y6 SATs meetings for parents** – Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March @ 6.00 pm in school.
- **Science Week** - Monday 12<sup>th</sup> – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March.
- **Novelty Egg Competition.** This is a competition for Junior children only. Further details will follow. Novelty eggs can be brought into school from Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March. Closing date – Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March.
- **Parent Consultations** – Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March (4-7pm) and Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March (3.30-6.30pm).
- **Nursery Closes for Easter** – Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March.
- **Easter Bonnet Parade** – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March
- **School Closes for Easter** – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March.
- **School Re-Opens** – Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> April (Monday is a training day).
- **Bag 2 School Collection** – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> April. Please sort unwanted clothes (good condition), bags, belts, shoes, soft toys etc. during the Easter Holidays (no bedding or curtains).
- **Whitehall Overnight Visit (Y4 and Y5)** - Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April / Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May.
- **Class Photographs** – Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> May (morning).
- **May Day** – Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May – School Closed.
- **Y2 SATs** – throughout May 2018.
- **Y6 SATs** – Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May.
- **Extended Visit Meeting** – Meeting for Parents – Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May at 6.00 pm
- **Sports Week** – week commencing 21<sup>st</sup> May
- **Y1 Phonics Check** – Monday 11<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June.
- **Future Holiday Dates:**
  - May Half Term: Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May – Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June (Monday is a training day).
  - Summer Holiday: Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July.
  - Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July (Nursery).
  - School Re-opens: Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2018 (Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> /Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> are training days).