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Dear Parents and Carers

It has been another busy week in school with some great learning going on in and out of school. I went to the IMAX last week to watch the documentary film *Free Solo*. If you haven't seen it then I think it is coming out on Netflix soon. What an amazing film that stretches the limits of human achievement. Linked to this, I have been talking to the children about determination and showed them the trailer to the film. I have encouraged them to be determined to succeed in the things they find difficult.

The third cross-country event took place at Cliffe Castle and the children put in some excellent performances, showing the true Kildwick determination. The last event will be later in the spring at Silsden Park. The school choir had a fantastic time at Young Voices on Wednesday and Mrs Sharples even managed to break through the barricades to get a selfie with Tony Hadley. Thanks must go to Mrs Sharples for organising our school participation in this event and to all the extra adult helpers on the day.

Thank you for all those that were able to attend the parent forum on Thursday. We had some great discussions and suggestions about communication and the revised school vision statement and logo design. The minutes will be sent out to you in a separate email this week and I will update you about when the next meeting will be.

Thanks to our wonderful PTA for organising the Valentine's disco.

It is good to finally feel some warmth and light coming back to our end of the Earth.

Have a great weekend

Tim Whitehead

Headteacher



### Half Term Diary dates

**W / B 4<sup>th</sup> Feb** – e - safety week

**W/B 25<sup>th</sup> Feb** – Fairtrade fortnight

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February** – Half Term

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March** – Year 4/5 HA residential information evening -5pm

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March** – Class 2 Parents invited into class.

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March [changed date]** – World Book Day/Pyjama Day and after school reading/Fairtrade coffee/cake event (see details)

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March** – Bags of rice for sale after school

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March** – EYFS – Mother's Day Lunch 12.45pm

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April** – Year 3/4/5 Easter Production

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**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April** – Easter Service in Church – 2.45pm

**Weds 10<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April** – Year 4 / 5 residential to High Adventure

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April** – End of Term

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April** – Parent consultation 3.30pm – 6.00pm

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May** – Parent consultation 3.30pm – 5.00pm

### Snow Procedures

We will endeavour, where possible, to keep the school open, but keeping the children and staff safe is paramount. If you have any concerns about travelling in the snow please don't, and inform the school as soon as possible. If circumstances mean that we have to make a decision to close the school or send children home early, we will let you know via the following methods:

- Text to parents
- Update the school website

If there is snowfall during the night a decision will have been made by 7.00 am and you will receive a text and the website will be updated. If you do not receive a text, or the website is not updated, school will be open. Please do not ring the office to check. Please ensure school has your up to date contact details.

### Parking

Please could we remind parents that the access road at the side of the school (near the waste containers) is private and belongs to the residents - we do not have permission to park here. There will be construction vehicles and machinery on site and they need access at all times (as do the residents). Please can we ask that you do not park on this private access at any time.



### Clubs Week Beginning 18<sup>th</sup> February 2019

Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> February	KS2 Street Dance
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> February	Gymnastics am
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> February	Mini Ringers

**There will be no choir until further notice**

### Clubs Week Beginning 4<sup>th</sup> March 2019

Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	KS2 Tag Rugby
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	KS2 Running Club
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	EYFS/KS1 Dodgeball
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	Gymnastics am
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	Mini Ringers

### High Adventure residential

Year Four and Five parents are invited to an information evening about the upcoming residential to High Adventure on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March at 5pm in the school hall.



### Happy birthday to Harsh in Class 4



### Stars of the Week

- Class 1 **Susanna** for fantastic progress in phonics and amazing writing.
- Class 2 **Juliet** for being really resilient in her reading test and doing a great job.
- Class 3 **Finlay** for his enthusiasm and the effort he puts in across all areas. What a star!
- Class 4 **Oscar** for written work in English and Maths.
- Class 5 **George** for his enthusiasm and attitude in all subjects.

### World Book Day/Fairtrade Fortnight Information

As some of you may have noticed, this year Fairtrade Fortnight falls during our February half term, meaning that we only have one week to celebrate it in school. It also coincides with World Book Day so we have decided to combine our celebrations for these two brilliant events.

On **Thursday 7 March** Children will take part in reading related activities throughout the day and are allowed to wear pyjamas for the day. We will then be hosting a 'bedtime story' session after school where we will also be celebrating Fairtrade. Tea, coffee and hot chocolate will be served along with baked goods made from Fairtrade ingredients. Your donations of Fairtrade cakes/buns etc for this event would be greatly appreciated. All money raised will be for the Fairtrade Foundation.

We will also be selling the last few bags of rice as part of the 90kg rice challenge at the bedtime story event, and after school on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March. The money raised from this is to fund a child of a Malawian rice farmer to attend secondary school for one year.



### **Fairtrade competition**

Local schools have been invited to take part in a competition to win some Fairtrade footballs for their school. The task is to build a Fairtrade mountain out of Fairtrade packaging. The school council will begin creating this mountain on the 11<sup>th</sup> February and will complete it on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March.

Please send in any clean Fairtrade packaging between now and the 25<sup>th</sup> March. Your child can pass this on to their school council representatives in their class.



## Outside Achievements



Angus has been awarded his Level 2 bell ringing certificate.

That's a considerable achievement in just six months - and puts him ahead of some of the adults in the team.

Well done Angus!

## Photos from the PTA disco

