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The Newsletter
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Dear Parents/Carers

Up-date since the last newsletter:

- The Y6 Swimming Team were tremendous last Thursday at the local Swimming Gala at Hutton Grammar. Brilliant effort from everyone to make 4th place. Well done Team!
- Fr. Michael would like to thank all the Y5 families who came to the Family Mass on Sunday and to the meeting on Monday night.
- Y6 had a brilliant Taster Day at All Hallows last Friday. It was great to be back in the swing of our normal transition activities for Y6.

Coming up:

'Food Fusions' School Meal Promotion on **Thursday 3rd February**. If your child is normally on packed lunches and would like to have a school meal on this date, please complete the slip on last week's newsletter and return to school no later than **Tuesday 1st February**. Pupils who normally have a school meal will be automatically included in the promotion. Payment of £2.35 should be made through ParentPay please. The meal menu will be Pork or Veggie Meatball Marinara Sub Roll with Noisette Potatoes, Vegetable Sticks & Dips or Sweet Chilli Veggie Noodles served with Mini Spring Rolls followed by Vanilla Sponge & Chocolate Sauce. Thank you for supporting the School Meal Promotions as it does help to keep our catering budget topped up.

Y6 will be involved with the NSPCC Number Day which is being hosted by the Maths Department from All Hallows. The event will be at St Oswald's on **Friday 4th February** during school time. More details to follow as soon as we have them!

First Holy Communion Day for Y5 on **Saturday 5th February**. Maximum of 8 people can attend the Mass per family which includes the child making their First Holy Communion. Please return the reply slip to the presbytery (letter issued 13th January). If you have any queries at all, please contact Fr Michael direct on 01772 612136. We wish Y5 have a wonderful day with their families.

Children's Mental Health Week **7**th **-13**th **February**. This year the theme is 'Growing Together' and each class will be working on team building with their class, the importance of accepting that we are all unique and how we can support each other.

On **Thursday 10th February**, the children can come to school 'Dressed to Express' so the children can wear whatever outfit represents them and their interests e.g. if your child loves sport, they might dress in a sports kit etc. There is no right or wrong, your child can just express themselves! All we ask is that a £1 donation is put in the collecting bucket at the gate. All donations will be going to the brilliant charity 'Young Minds'.

Y5 Celebration Mass at 2.15pm in church on **Monday 7th February**. Fr Michael would like all Y5 to join him for a special mass to celebrate the children who have made their First Holy Communion. Parents and Grandparents welcome to come along.

Y4 Study Trip to Formby Point and Eco Centre, Southport on **Tuesday 8th February** (letter issued Wednesday 5th January). If you have not yet done so, please return the permission slip and make the payment of £19.00 on ParentPay asap –thank you! Please note that no glass bottles are allowed in packed lunches for obvious reasons.

We regularly revisit online safety with the children and we always respond to any issue that you bring to our attention. It is Online Safety Day on **Tuesday 8th February** and we will be using the day to remind children how to keep safe online.

Netball Club (run by school staff) for Year 5 and Year 6 pupils will start on **Monday 21st February** from 3.15-4.15 pm. Please complete and return the attached slip if you wish your child to join. Mrs Cookson and Miss Gravili will be coaching the team. The club will run every Monday and the last club night will be Monday 4th July. Please note that this club WILL run every week until it closes. If the weather is wet, Mrs Cookson and Miss Gravili will be providing an alternative session indoors.

Football Club (run by school staff) for Year 5 and Year 6 pupils will start on **Tuesday 22nd February** from 3.15-4.15 pm. Please complete and return the attached slip if you wish your child to join. Mr Mears and Mr Campbell will be coaching the team. Please note that this club WILL run every Tuesday and the last club night will be Tuesday 5th July. An alternative session indoors will be provided if the weather is wet.

The School Nursing Team will be in school on **Tuesday 22nd February** to carry out vision screening tests for children in Reception, Letters have been sent home with your child on Tuesday 11th January. This is an **OPT-OUT** system. All children will have vision screening in school unless a reply slip is returned stating that you DO NOT want your child to have vision screening and state the reason for this. Thank you.

And finally...

Don't forget that we finish for Half Term on Thursday 10th February and return on Monday 21st February!

As always, please get in touch if you have queries or concerns.

Yours sincerely

B Wood Headteacher

YEAR 5/YEAR 6 NETBALL CLUB – MONDAY 21st FEBRUARY – MONDAY 4th July 2022 I would like my child to join the Netball Club. I will collect my child from school at 4.15pm. Other home time arrangements, i.e. After School Club: Name of child: Emergency contact nos.: YEAR 5/YEAR 6 FOOTBALL CLUB – TUESDAY 22nd FEBRUARY – TUESDAY 5th July 2022 I would like my child to join the Football Club. I will collect my child from school at 4.15pm. Other home time arrangements, i.e. After School Club: Name of child: Signed:

Emergency contact nos.: