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Newsletter

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Dear Parents

KEY STAGE 2 SATS (STANDARDISED ATTAINMENT TESTS)

There has recently been a great deal of media coverage regarding the boycott of the KS2 SATS (Monday, 10th May – Friday, 14th May) this year. However we have decided that the children in Year 6 will sit and take these tests as normal during this week. Thank you.

SENSORY GARDEN

A huge thank you to the parents who organised and made our sensory garden using recycled materials (e.g. sinks, manhole sections etc). The results are outstanding and will no doubt give a great deal of pleasure for many years to come. Thank you.

LANCASHIRE HEALTHY SCHOOLS STATUS

We have recently achieved the five standards to achieve the Lancashire Healthy Schools Quality Mark. To mark this occasion a Celebration Assembly has been organised for Wednesday, 9th June at 9.00 am to which you are warmly invited.

HEALTH WEEK

The School Council are organising a Health Week (Monday, 21st June until Friday, 25th June) for all the children. This week will include a variety of activities such as a visit from the Red Cross, the local Police and culminating on our Sports Afternoon on Friday, 25th June.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

We send our best wishes to the children in Beech Class who will be making their First Holy Communion this Sunday. We hope they and their families have a wonderful day.

MARY CELEBRATION

May is traditionally the month devoted to Our Lady. There will be a whole school Mass to celebrate this on Friday, 28th May and once again you are all warmly invited to attend.

SPORTS NEWS

Congratulations to the High Five Netball Team who competed in the area finals at Heysham High School recently. They acquitted themselves superbly against some difficult opposition. Well done to all concerned.

CLASS GROUP PHOTOGRAPHS

If you would like to purchase prints, please return the completed form and payment to school by Friday, 30th April.

Orders received after this date cannot be included in the school order but can be purchased direct from the Digital Lab incurring an additional charge of £2.50.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

We do have limited uniform left for sale in school, list below, please see Mrs Postlethwaite in the school office if you wish to purchase any items.

Item	Sizes available	Price before	Price now
Jumpers	36"	£10.00	£8.00
White PE Polo Shirt	Age 3-4, 7-8, 9-10	£4.50	£3.00
Blue Polo Shirt	Age 5-6, 9-10, 11-12, 13	£4.50	£3.00
Pump bags		£2.50	£1.50
Ties (long)		£3.00	£2.00
Ties (elastic)		£2.00	£1.50

The Friends of St Bernadette's are also selling legionnaire style sun hats printed with the school logo for £3.50. These are available from the school office plus this Friday morning in the reception area at the front of school.

SCHOOL DINNERS

If you have pre-ordered school dinners for your child and your child subsequently wishes to bring their own packed lunch, it would be appreciated if you could inform Mrs Postlethwaite in the school office of this change, as soon as possible, so that you are not charged for this meal. Thank you.

New menus have been given to the children to bring home today. When we return after May Day the menu will begin on Week Two and Mrs Johns will be following the 'Favourite Friday Specials' printed on these menus rather than our usual Friday Favourite of Fish/Sausage and Chips.

A reminder that all year round packed lunches are available from the school kitchen - please see Mrs Postlethwaite in the school office for further details.

SCHOOL NURSE

Our School Nurse, Anita Sloane, will be visiting us on Thursday, 6th May from 8.45 am until 9.30 am for a 'drop in' session should parents/guardians wish to discuss any concerns or seek advice from her.

NESTLE BOX TOPS FOR BOOKS

A reminder that we are still collecting these tokens for next year's promotion to enable us to purchase books for the school. Please send any tokens dated 2011 into the school office. Many thanks.

CASH FOR SCHOOLS CHALLENGE (Barclays Money Skills) VOUCHERS

This promotion has been extended by a further week - please continue to send in these vouchers. All vouchers to be received in school by Wednesday, 5th May to enable them to be posted off in time for the closing date. Please can children who have Cash for Schools Bank Books please return these by 5th May also. Thank you.

SAINSBURY'S AND TESCO VOUCHERS

School are again collecting these vouchers to exchange for resources. Please ask relatives and friends if they have any vouchers they can contribute too. Thank you.

School will be closed on Monday, 3rd May for May Day and will re-open on Tuesday, 4th May at 8.55 am.

**MR G H MCKEVITT
HEADTEACHER**