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Newsletter – July 2018

CLASSES FOR SEPTEMBER 2018

The class structure for the new school year will be as follows:

Apple	(Reception)	Mrs Bramhall and Mrs Hegarty
Oak	(Year 1)	Mrs Buchan/Mrs Pilkington and Mrs Stewart
Elm	(Year 2)	Mrs White and Mrs Bolton
Beech	(Year 3)	Mr Findlay and Mrs Hodgson
Eucalyptus	(Year 4)	Mrs Lewis/Mrs Wood, Ms Chadwick and Mrs Bergus
Willow	(Year 5)	Mrs Round, Mrs Cleaver and Mr Karim
Sycamore	(Year 6)	Miss Burke, Mrs Woodhouse and Mrs Lord

**The children will visit their new classes during the morning of
Wednesday 18th July**

We welcome back Mrs Buchan and Mrs Wood who will be returning from maternity leave and we thank Mrs Bousfield and Mrs Taylor for their hard work, enthusiasm and warmth this year.

School Uniform

Thank you, as always, for maintaining the high standards for our school uniform, which we firmly believe is such a distinctive and unifying aspect for our school. In September we will revert back to our Autumn and Spring uniform which is a pale blue shirt/blouse and tie with our school jumper/cardigan. Children must only wear sensible black footwear (not boots or trainers).

Thank you.

Arts Display

All the children have contributed to a "Peace Mandala" to commemorate 100 years since the end of World War I. The Peace Mandala consists of 212 pieces of wood, each child painted and decorated an individual piece of wood and each class is represented by a different colour. You can see Peace Mandala at Filberts Bakery, 20 King Street, Lancaster until next Friday.

Please find attached further details of other schools and venues who have also contributed to the Arts Trail. Thank you to Mrs Stewart and Mrs Pilkington who have worked so hard to coordinate and construct the mandala.

School Dinners Price Change

The price of a school meal will increase from £2.20 to £2.30 from September 2018. KS1 (Apple, Oak and Elm) classes will receive free school meals as part of the Universal Free School Meals Programme. KS2 (Beech, Eucalyptus, Willow and Sycamore) classes pay £2.30 per meal (£11.50 a week).

BUILDING DEVELOPMENTS

Over the summer holidays the following building improvements will be taking place to improve the appearance of our school.

- * Partial reroofing of KS2 (Willow, Sycamore, Hawthorn and the kitchen)
- * Carpet replacement in Oak and Elm classes
- * Entrance driveway resurfacing

PARENT/CARER QUESTIONNAIRE

A Parent/Carer questionnaire has been given to your child to seek your views and inform us for future school improvement. Please return to school before the end of term.

Thank you

Catholic Teaching Alliance Maths Challenge

Congratulations to the children in Sycamore class (Juan Aravinth, Kirsty Ma, Gabija Sarakauskaite and Casper Pretorius) who won the CTA Maths Challenge against many other schools for the second time running. Well done again!

End of School Year Reports

Your child/children will receive their end of year reports today which will reflect and celebrate the progress they have made this year.

KS2 Standardised Attainment Tests (SATs) Results

We are delighted to inform you that once again the children in Sycamore Class (Year 6) have performed extremely well in their end of KS2 SATs.

Reading:	Achieved the expected standard - 97%	(National Average - 72%)
	Exceeded the expected standard - 60%	(National Average - 25%)
Writing:	Achieved the expected standard - 97%	(National Average - 76%)
	Achieved greater depth - 40%	(National Average - 18%)
Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling:	Achieved the expected standard - 97%	(National Average - 77%)
	Exceeded the expected standard 83%	(National Average - 31%)
Mathematics:	Achieved the expected standard - 97%	(National Average - 75%)
	Exceeded the expected standard 57%	(National Average - 23%)

These results are a true reflection of the hard work, perseverance and commitment over many years of the children, parents and staff. Congratulations!

END OF YEAR SCHOOL MASS

The most fitting way we can end our school year is by celebrating Mass as a school community. This will take place in church at 9:15am on Thursday 19th July and everyone is most welcome to attend this special celebration.

SUMMER HOLIDAYS

School will close for the Summer holidays on
Friday, 20th July at 2.00 pm

and open for the new school year on
Tuesday, 4th September at 8.55 am.

Thank you as always for your continual support for our school throughout the year. We are truly blessed to have such a wonderful and hardworking school community. We especially thank our Year 6 school leavers and wish them every success in the future.

Have a wonderful summer!

Mr G H McKeivitt
Headteacher