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Dear Parents/Carers,

The sun is finally here! We mustn't complain after all of the rain but please ensure your child has a hat, water bottle and sun cream on, as we move through the final stage of the term.

It has been another busy fortnight here in school and my thanks to Miss Browes for organising Sports Week last week. Don't forget next Friday is Sports Day – weather permitting.

This afternoon will be an exciting time for all, as we host the 'School Talent Show' in the hall – we are sure it is going to be entertaining and there is definitely some excitement within the classes.

Next week, the children will be spending Wednesday morning with their new class teachers whilst our Year 6 children spend time at their secondary schools as part of our transition process – Mrs Green will be joining those children moving into Year 3 alongside Mrs Cushing.

A plea – we have taken several calls about parent parking this week. If you or a relative are using the carpark on Monks Way, please ensure you use the designated spaces allowing other cars to pass and for those on the roadside, please ensure there is no double parking or the blocking of a junction.

We are here to work in partnership with you as parents, if you have a query or need to have a discussion with your child's class teacher then please telephone the office and we can arrange a time for this to take place. Mornings can be very busy, and they are fine for a quick message but sometimes a longer discussion is needed.

## Pride Day

Don't forget that on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July, the school will be holding its annual Pride Awareness Day. On the day, children are welcome to come to school either in rainbow colours or non-uniform to express themselves. A document relating to the coverage for each class on the day can be found on the PSHE curriculum page of the school website. As always, each class will be covering objectives that are directly linked to the National Curriculum and everything will be discussed in an





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age-appropriate way. If you have any questions about the day, please contact Miss Phillipson by phoning or emailing.

## News from the Classes

### Creswell Class

The children have been working hard to create some wonderful tangram shape pictures. We based our pictures on our theme of pets. Can you see all the different pets? The children worked hard to cut out the shapes and then rotate them to create their animal. We have also had some more incredible writers this week, who have impressed Mr Bell by working so hard and independently.





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## Elmton Class

Elmton Class have had a wonderful couple of weeks at school. They loved 'Sports Week' last week, learning about Sylvania Costa De Oliveira. They enjoyed participating in a range of sports, including long jump, yoga, football and athletics. In English, the children have been writing their own fairytales. They designed their own hero and villain, thinking carefully about what they look like and where the fairytale will take place. In Maths, they have been learning about place value, partitioning tens and ones all the way up to 100. In DT, the children have enjoyed designing their levers and slides project, creating their parts, ready to put them together next week. In art, they enjoyed sitting outside, looking at the landscape. The children drew what they could see, using fine lines and shading. Well done Elmton Class, you have all worked very hard!

## Rufford Class

The children have been learning about 'Charles Goodyear' and how he experimented with rubber to use as a material for car tyres. They then experimented with a range of different materials, identifying what they were useful and not useful for, based on their properties.

In Music, they have been writing lyrics to the song 'Summertime' and tried hard to use rhyming words to add to the rhythm. They have completed their persuasive writing in English and have now moved on to recounts, studying the features and identifying examples of these. Their next writing project is to write their own recounts based on a positive event in their lives. They have been investigating different fixing and fastening techniques in preparation for their UK landmark sculptures and had a go at using some of them during the lesson. In Maths, they are now learning about position and direction, focusing initially on the language that surrounds this topic. Have a practise identifying your left and right this weekend!





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### Clumber Class

Clumber Class have continued to build on their English skills based on the 'Iron Man'. They have taken part in interviews, asking important questions to the character. In Maths, they have been focusing on telling the time word problems which the children have done really well at! In Science, they have been exploring George Washington Carver. In PSHE, they have explored risk and what makes a risky activity and what we should do in that situation.

### Thoresby Class

Thoresby Class have really enjoyed the visit from the SJR Coach, Matt. The children consolidated their learning of positioning and defending during football. The children worked exceptionally well to communicate as a team, so that they could pass and have a better opportunity to score.

In English, Thoresby have been identifying the features of an adventure story. They loved going onto the playground, working within their groups and creating their own adventure to write in more detail about.

In Maths, they have been continuing to expand their knowledge of converting the time between analogue and 24-hour digital clocks. They have discussed how they can use the 24-hour clock to tell the time, worked hard to convert from the 24-hour clock to the 12-hour clock, and used their knowledge to answer reasoning and problem-solving questions.





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### Sherwood Class

Sherwood class have worked really hard writing informal letters set on the Titanic. They have really enjoyed learning about the History of what happened during the event and the features of the boat. They were really surprised by the ticket prices and how this compares to prices today. Everyone has worked hard in Maths lessons discussing decimal numbers, they can add subtract, multiply and divide decimals with different numbers of decimal places. The children have used their PE lessons during the warm weather to start getting ready for Sports Day next week and are really looking forward to it!

### Welbeck Class

These last couple of weeks in Welbeck Class have been very busy. On Wednesday, Matt from Worksop SJR worked to help the class develop their football skills and they also enjoyed learning about Paralympians. As a class they have enjoyed participating in team games such as rounders and have enjoyed preparing for Sports Day.

The children have also taken part in Refugee Week. They celebrated the contribution of refugees to the United Kingdom and discussed the importance of celebrating the diverse communities that we are part of.

Finally, this week they were fortunate enough to be visited by Mr. Murray from Outwood Academy Portland. He answered the children's questions and worries about secondary school and helped everyone learn about the school day, routines and expectations. Next week, the children will be visiting Outwood Academy Portland and Valley for their transition days.

With my very best wishes,

Mrs Middleton & the St Luke's team





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## Looking ahead:

### July

3<sup>rd</sup> – Year 6 transition & Whole School Class swap day

4<sup>th</sup> – Year 6 transition

4<sup>th</sup> – Elmton Class trip – Sundown Adventure Land

5<sup>th</sup> – Sports Day – KS1 9.30am

KS2 1.30pm

5<sup>th</sup> – Uniform Swap event

12<sup>th</sup> – Pride at St Luke's

16<sup>th</sup> – Creswell Class trip – Cannon Hall Farm

19<sup>th</sup> – Yr. 6 Celebration event – NEW DATE

23<sup>rd</sup> – Clumber Class trip – Weston Park Museum

26<sup>th</sup> – Leaver's Service – 2pm in Church

26<sup>th</sup> – Last Day of term

Notts County Council publish the school holiday patterns for forthcoming years – take a look on the County Council website.

