



Dear Parents,

Well, the sun is finally starting to appear and all classes have enjoyed the chance to play out without their jumpers on. That means two reminders: names in jumpers and sun cream!

Those of you who have been reading my newsletters for a number of years will know how strongly I feel about protecting a child's skin. Research has proven that sunburn in childhood can lead to skin cancer in later years: 'One blistering sunburn in childhood or adolescence more than doubles a person's chance of developing melanoma in later life... 80% of all skin cancers are caused by over-exposure to the sun and/or sunbeds, making skin cancer largely **PREVENTABLE**' - Sunsafe Schools.

Please apply sun-cream to face and neck especially, before they come to school. Your child may bring their sun cream to school (named) with your consent, to top-up if necessary at lunchtime, but they must be able to apply it themselves, they must not share it with friends and they must inform the teacher that they have it in their bag. Younger children will be supervised as appropriate.

We have some new sunhats on order with the school logo printed on. If you'd like to purchase one please contact Mrs Griffiths; they are £3.50 each.

### Sports News

More sporting success: Class 3 won all their football matches against Ab Kettleby last week. Special mention to Abigail Snow on scoring a hat-trick and to all the girls who thrashed the opposition with an amazing 8-1 win.

Well done to Aaron who was named 'Most improved player' of the season by Bottesford FC and to Joshy who was voted 'Manager's Player of the Year' and to Will Snow for impressing his friends with his goal-keeping skills. A great end to a successful season. Bring on the cricket 😊

### Brick-laying

Some of our children helped Mrs Griffiths and I lay a brick in the wall of our new offices. The walls are growing and we can really see a difference every day now. The project manager Simon Cottom gave each class a fabulous health and safety talk/demo this week which really helped to reinforce the reasons why we shouldn't play around building sites. Look

out for the pictures on our website. The picture below shows our youngest and oldest pupils helping me with the bricking.

### Disabled Access

Under normal circumstances, as you know, if disabled access on to our site is needed all you need to do is have a conversation with me, and parking etc can be instantly arranged. During the construction work this poses more difficulty but it is not impossible, so please do let me know if you (or a family member) require such access to enable you to attend events, etc.

### Voluntary Reading Helpers

A number of you have expressed an interest in helping us with reading in school, which is absolutely fantastic!! I will therefore run another training session to support you with this which will take place on Friday 10th May at 9.30am, following assembly. If this time is difficult for you please drop me an email and we'll try to sort something out.

### Assembly next Week

Due to an obvious case of stress, work over-load and too much sunshine (NB NOT AGE!!) I made an incorrect announcement in assembly this morning... Class 2 will lead the Friday assembly on 17th May and not next week as stated! We do however want to try and start assembly at 9am from now on so please arrive a bit earlier for coffee.

As the children have been so good, I am allowing them to have Monday off to enjoy the Bank Holiday weekend with you all! Have fun and we'll see on Tuesday at 8.40am.

Yours sincerely,

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Head teacher



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