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Dear Parents,

Half term is nearly upon us already, where has that time gone? As usual it has been a busy half term and I'm sure the children are ready for a break. Friday will be non-uniform day (in return for a bottle) and then school closes at 3:30pm and **reopens on Monday 1st June.**

For those of you who use the Before & After School Club I am sure you have noticed that Mrs Sheerin has not been there, we were hoping that she would have returned to school just after Easter but unfortunately she will now not be returning until September at the earliest. Mrs Marie Jameson is the acting Play Leader for the morning sessions and Mr Michael Allen for the evening sessions

Thank you for your generosity for our Nenal appeal - £300 was raised

**Statement
to live by**

**I try to
forgive
people when
they hurt me**

Thought of the week

Did you know there are seven sacraments in the Catholic Church? You probably did, but could you name them? Well here's a secret just remember the words **BE CHAMP-** Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation, Holy orders, Anointing of the sick, Matrimony, Penance. That's not the order which they are usually listed – but an easy way to remember them!

Dates

Tuesday 19 th – Thursday 21 st May	Y6 Malham Residential
Wednesday 20 th May	Netball Tournament – Morley Academy
Friday 22 nd May	Non uniform Day Year 3 Assembly
Friday 22 nd May	School Closes for half term
Monday 1 st June	School reopens to children

Assembly

In place of Praise Assembly on Friday the Year 3 will be leading an assembly with the theme of Holy Communion. The children who made their Communion at the weekend are invited to wear their Communion clothes. All welcome.

Summer Fair- It is that time of year again when the PTA are stepping up preparations for the summer Fair on **Saturday 13th June.** Over the coming weeks they will be asking for your support in providing various items – your kind deeds will be rewarded with House Points for your children! **Volunteers** to help on the day are always welcomed – please let us know if you are available to help in any way.

Friday 22nd May - Non uniform day in return for a bottle - alcoholic/non-alcoholic for the bottle tombola stall

'Together in truth and faith we learn and grow as God's family'

WELL DONE, YEAR 6!

Last week of our Year 6 children completed their SATs. They handled themselves well and I am sure they tried their best. Results will be out in early July.

Malham

Now they have put their SATs behind them Year 6 are heading off to Malham this week. Let's keep our fingers crossed that the weather behaves itself and the children have a fantastic time and return home

tired but safe.



First Holy Communion

Many of our Year 3 children received the sacrament of the Holy Eucharist for the first time yesterday. It truly was a day to remember. The church was packed with proud parents and extended family. Congratulations – I think you did an amazing job! Please continue to keep our Year 3 children and their families in your prayers.



Leeds Book Awards

Six of our Year 5 children will be heading off to the annual Leeds Book Awards this week. They have been reading a selection of books over the last few months and meet once a week to discuss them and vote for their favourites. This event will take place at the Pudsey Civic Hall. Some of the shortlisted authors will be there for you to meet - watch the News page for details!



Walk to School Week 2015 will take place between **18th and 22nd May**. This year the theme is all about the **health benefits of walking to school**, with each day of the week focusing on a different health benefit:

1. **Healthy body** - Daily exercise helps to reduce the risk of childhood obesity and medical conditions such as cancer and heart disease later in life.
2. **Health and happiness** - Regular walking helps to keep young minds healthy and alert ready for their arrival at school.
3. **Healthy habits** - Getting into the habit of an energetic walk at the start of the day encourages other healthy habits like eating a nutritious breakfast every morning.
4. **Healthy friends and family**- The walk to school is an opportunity for quality family time or a good chat with friends helping to develop strong, happy relationships.
5. **Healthy environment** - Walking rather than taking motorised transport means less pollution and cleaner air – a benefit for everyone!

Year	Well Done Certificates	Writing Certificate	Merits	Good Samaritan
R	Oliver Ritchie	Joseph Moulton	William Sharp	Kevin Paul
1	Sebastian Booth	Archie Else	Arius Aleksionas	Neave Ryder
2	Kate Moulton	Lucy Wilson	Evie Powders	Macy Chorlton
3	Mollie Charlton	Anastasia Xenikaki	Cailem Casey	Isabelle Pilkington
4	Henry Evans	Milan Scaife	Anna Fisher	Charlotte Benson
5	Elektra Cassar	TJ Hargreaves	Miles Armitage	Harry Breakell
6	Samuel Harrington	Saam Fatahi	Jamaal Ba	Joyce Mabiala

Dinner Time	Hollie Smith
Attendance	Year 1, 5 & 6
Punctuality	Y1, 3 & 6
House Winner	St George
Head Teacher Award	Y6 for all their hard work during SATS Week.