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6<sup>th</sup> February 2015

Dear Parents

As half-term is very nearly upon us I wanted to just alert parents to two opportunities for them to come in to school to find out how their children are progressing with their learning at school. These opportunities are the Open Classroom Evening followed Parent Consultations. They will take place soon after we return from the half term break so this is early warning for your diaries! Please see below.

**Please be aware that today all parents will be receiving a communication from the Governing Body regarding a questionnaire for parents. This is in addition to this newsletter so don't forget to look out for it. We are hoping for a really good return.**

## SCHOOL NEWS

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Class Assembly Dates – Parents invited to attend their child's assembly. Start time 9.05am**

Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 5
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 4
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 6

**Other dates**

- Ashlands Cross Country – Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> February
- Year 6 visit to Ilkley Grammar School 1pm to view dress rehearsal of Penny Lane
- Open Classroom Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 5- 6.30pm
- Parent Consultations – week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> March, with Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March being the late evening but other evening will be available. List will be displayed after half term.

### GENERAL NOTICES

**Learn to Rock**

Learn to Rock is now taking bookings for Piano/ Keyboard/ Singing and Drum Lessons for after Easter.

Please contact Learn to Rock details: [admin@learntorock.co.uk](mailto:admin@learntorock.co.uk) or call 01944 768724

**Chess Club**

Chess Club has now finished. A new club will start after half term. If you would like your child to start this next club please could you sign up for the new club by returning the slip on the letter sent out today and return it with your payment.

**Request from Year 4**

The children in Year 4 are doing a project about the Rainforest at the moment and need scraps of material, paper etc... in green, brown, red, yellow (i.e. colours associated with the rainforest). If anyone has any materials which they can donate could you please send it directly to the Year 4 classroom.

**Inspiration Tree Half Term Holiday Courses**

For the latest flyer parents on Inspiration Tree courses please put Inspiration Tree in to a search engine and you will find all their courses there.

## Ilkley Camera Club Young Photographers Competition – Win a Panasonic Lumix Digital Bridge Camera worth £250 donated by Annings

Children under 17 on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015 are invited to email up to three of their own original unpublished photos that reflect this year's Creative Light theme to [competition@ilkleycameraclub.co.uk](mailto:competition@ilkleycameraclub.co.uk) Please include the photo title, your name age and address number. Flyers are outside the school office or go to <http://ilkleycameraclub.co.uk/young-photographers-competition/>

**Ilkley Carnival** This year's theme for the carnival is 'Fantasy and Fiction' and in a few weeks' time we need to register our schools idea. I have asked the school council to come up with a short list of suggestions to review and then we will select one. To make this year's theme come to life I will need a team of people to help co-ordinate, create, brainstorm ideas, sew, paint, stick and hopefully have some fun along the way. If you would like to join the team (no skill required) then please contact Fiona Pitt on mob: 07764 252440 or email: [pitt.home@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:pitt.home@blueyonder.co.uk). Kick off meeting to be held before half term. Thank-you, Fiona Pitt.

**Win a Sports Kit Competition** Ilkley Gazette and Wharfedale Observer are running a competition during February to give local schools and sports clubs the opportunity to win a brand new sports kit. Each week from February 5<sup>th</sup> until February 26<sup>th</sup>, they will be printing tokens in the Ilkley Gazette and Wharfedale Observer for readers to collect on behalf of their local school or sports team. The organization that collects the most tokens by March 9<sup>th</sup> closing date will win a brand new sports kit (worth up to £500) for their team, branded with the logo of your local edition of either the Ilkley Gazette or Wharfedale Observer.

## SPORTS NEWS

### Ashlands Cross Country – Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> February

- Saturday 7th February 2015
- PLEASE NOTE - EVENT IS RESTRICTED TO THE 12 SCHOOLS IN THE WHARFEDALE LEAGUE.
- Medals for 1st, 2nd and 3rd placed runners.
- Team Competition - first 4 runners to count. Certificate awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd placed teams.
- Certificates for all finishers (to be sent to schools after the event)
- Toilets, refreshments and prize giving in the School Hall
- Car parking around and near the school.
- Race programme:

Key Stage 1		Lower Key Stage 2		Upper Key Stage 2	
Reception Girls	9.20	Y3 Girls	10.25	Y5 Girls	11.20
Reception Boys	9.25	Y3 Boys	10.35	Y5 Boys	11.30
Y1 Girls	9.30	Y4 Girls	10.45	Y6 Girls	11.40
Y1 Boys	9.40	Y4 Boys	10.55	Y6 Boys	11.50
Y2 Girls	9.50	Lower KS2 Prize giving	11.05	Upper KS2 Prize giving	12.00 noon
Y2 Boys	10am				
KS1 Prize giving	10.10				

Yours sincerely

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