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NEWSLETTER

Dear Everyone

This half term seems to have **flown** by! I hope we all have good weather for half term next week.

Photographs

On the first day back, Monday 7th June, the photographer from Tempest is coming to take individual, family and class photos. You will have a proof to take home to order copies, however there is no obligation to buy. We will start at **8.30 am** for anyone who wishes to include their pre-school children in a family photo.

That first week back is also our annual **Health and Safety Week**. All the children from Year 2 to Year 6 will have three two hour sessions during the week with a representative from **St John Ambulance**. These will be practical sessions about **first aid** and the information given will be appropriate to the age of the children. One of the themes of the week will be the importance of fresh clean **drinking water** and the difficulties people in some countries of the world have in accessing it.

We will be showing the children a film about the work of the charity '**Wateraid**' to provide pumps and wells near villages in Africa and India. Then on **Thursday 10th June** we will be holding a sponsored "Walk for Water" event when the children will walk a set distance carrying water on their heads! The aim of this is to:

1. get them to appreciate that some children in the world have to walk to fetch every drop of water their family uses from some distance away
2. have fun
3. raise money for Wateraid!

Please could they get one, two or maybe more names on their sponsor form over half term. Could you also save a 4 pint plastic milk bottle or something similar to use on the day. We will make sure that they don't attempt to carry an amount which is too heavy for them!

On Friday 11th June, our PCSO Lora Bray (police constable support officer) is coming in to talk about **personal safety** to the children. She will make sure that her advice is pitched right for each class and the teacher will be present so that she can follow up any questions that the children may have.

The children will also be focussing on healthy eating in their classes during the week and will have a chance to make a healthy snack and fruit smoothie.

On Friday afternoon (11th), the children will share the work they have done during the week, with each other and with you if you would like to come along to Cossington Village Hall at 2 pm.

The following week, beginning **Monday 14th June**, each class will have three one hour sessions with a local dance teacher – Hannah Chaudri-Worthy. They will be working in the village hall on the theme of Bollywood Dance and it should be fantastic fun.

There's lots more happening next half term so further newsletters will follow. You may like to note now though that we are having an **Open Day on Wednesday 30th June**. This will be a chance to sit in on normal lessons during the morning to get an idea of how we organise the children's learning. The afternoon will be for adults and children working together on a practical art or craft activity. We would like to ask each child to bring an adult along for the afternoon, maybe Mum, Dad, Gran or Great Uncle Jim! Just one adult though, or it will be a bit of a squash!

Have a lovely week's holiday.

Catherine Groves
Head Teacher

P.S. We are planning to run some bike awareness sessions next term for any child under 9 who can ride a bike. We need parent volunteers who can give one hour to train at school this term and about 9 hours to run the sessions in the afternoons in the Autumn Term. Please get in touch with Gill Cabble or myself if you are interested.