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CROFTON NEWS - JUNE 2022

VIEW FROM THE GOVERNING BODY

First of all, I would like to congratulate all the Year 6 pupils for completing their end of Key Stage 2 SATs. They have worked incredibly hard not just this year, but during the online sessions in lockdown and, in fact, right from the moment they joined Crofton Junior School in Year 3. It is due to this, I have no doubt that each and everyone of them will have done incredibly well and achieved their full potential.

I would also like to thank all staff who have supported these children through their Crofton Junior School journey. Even though the Year 6 team have worked hard to prepare them for their SATs, the importance of the work by those staff in Years 3, 4 & 5 can not be underestimated; it is a whole staff effort.

I am pleased to say that following their SATs, the vast majority of Year 6 children enjoyed a fabulous residential visit to Robinwood at Wrexham. Mr. Birdsall informed me that they were a credit to school and pleasure to take.

I would like to formally welcome Mrs. Thirsk to our governing body. I am delighted to say that we now have a full governing body who provide a wealth of knowledge and experience to support and challenge Mr. Birdsall and the school leadership team so that all children receive the very best possible education at Crofton Junior School.

As a result of the Covid-19 restrictions being lifted, we as a governing body will be making our first face to face monitoring visit to school on Tuesday 14th June. The session will be led by Miss Watson and we will be focusing on the provision of reading across school from phonics, to fluency to whole class comprehension sessions. We are very much looking forward to the opportunity to see the practice we have been informed about, talk to the children and be able to evaluate the progress school has made as well as discussing areas for further development.

Yours faithfully
Mrs. S. Borman
Chair of Governors



2022 23 CLASS ORGANISATION

I can confirm that the following class organisation will be in place from September:

Year 3

- Elf Owl Class – Mrs Scott
- Snowy Owl Class – Miss Evans

Year 4

- Sooty Owl Class (formerly Snowy Owls) – Mrs Vickers (Monday-Wednesday) & Mrs Mondal (Thursday & Friday)
- Spotted Owl Class (formerly Elf Owls) – Mrs Henwood (Monday-Wednesday) & Miss Walker (Thursday & Friday)

Year 5

- Barn Owl Class (formerly Sooty Owls) – Miss Watson (Monday & Tuesday) & Mrs Mitchell (Wednesday-Friday)
- Tawny Owl Class (formerly Spotted Owls) – Miss Alexander

Year 6

- Eagle Owl Class (formerly Barn Owls) – Miss Wheeler
- Hawk Owl Class (formerly Tawny Owls) – Miss Powell

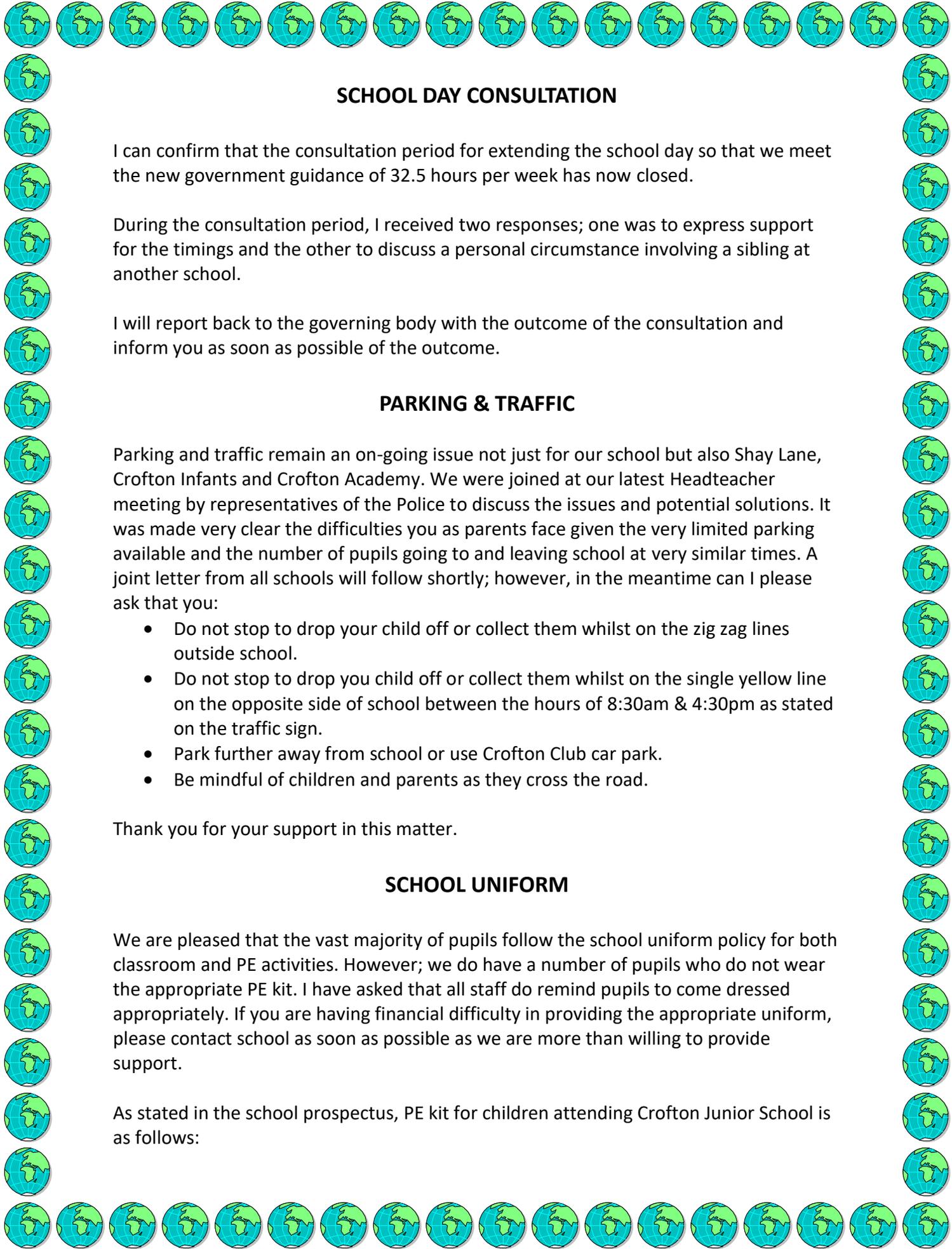
As a result of a settled staffing structure, we have already begun with transition arrangements for the new Year 3 children, current Year 6 children as well as internal transition.

JOB ROLE AVAILABLE

As a result of the excellent news that Miss Scattergood has been accepted on to a trainee teacher course, we have two roles available in school from September 2022. Both roles are temporary for one academic year. We are open to the roles being filled by one person if they are sufficiently suitable or by two people. The roles are:

- Clerical Officer 15 hours per week 8:40-11:40am Monday-Friday at Grade 3
- Teaching Assistant either class-based or with responsibility for delivering reading interventions 12.5 hours per week 12:40-3:10pm at Grade 4

If you are interested in either or both roles, please contact the school office on 01924 863981 or office@crofton-jun.wakefield.sch.uk for an application form and return by Monday 13th June.



SCHOOL DAY CONSULTATION

I can confirm that the consultation period for extending the school day so that we meet the new government guidance of 32.5 hours per week has now closed.

During the consultation period, I received two responses; one was to express support for the timings and the other to discuss a personal circumstance involving a sibling at another school.

I will report back to the governing body with the outcome of the consultation and inform you as soon as possible of the outcome.

PARKING & TRAFFIC

Parking and traffic remain an on-going issue not just for our school but also Shay Lane, Crofton Infants and Crofton Academy. We were joined at our latest Headteacher meeting by representatives of the Police to discuss the issues and potential solutions. It was made very clear the difficulties you as parents face given the very limited parking available and the number of pupils going to and leaving school at very similar times. A joint letter from all schools will follow shortly; however, in the meantime can I please ask that you:

- Do not stop to drop your child off or collect them whilst on the zig zag lines outside school.
- Do not stop to drop you child off or collect them whilst on the single yellow line on the opposite side of school between the hours of 8:30am & 4:30pm as stated on the traffic sign.
- Park further away from school or use Crofton Club car park.
- Be mindful of children and parents as they cross the road.

Thank you for your support in this matter.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

We are pleased that the vast majority of pupils follow the school uniform policy for both classroom and PE activities. However; we do have a number of pupils who do not wear the appropriate PE kit. I have asked that all staff do remind pupils to come dressed appropriately. If you are having financial difficulty in providing the appropriate uniform, please contact school as soon as possible as we are more than willing to provide support.

As stated in the school prospectus, PE kit for children attending Crofton Junior School is as follows:

- Light blue t-shirt with school logo
- Dark blue or black PE shorts
- Outdoor trainers (separate to the shoes children come to school in)
- Plain dark blue or black jogging bottoms and top for outdoor activities.

For outdoor PE, children are asked to come to school in the appropriate kit, which they will remain in for the remainder of the school day.

For indoor PE, children are asked to come to school in their normal school uniform and bring the appropriate kit with them. We suggest that it is brought into school on a Monday and taken home on Friday.

Can I also remind you that if your child has shoulder length or longer hair, then it needs to be tied back for health and safety reasons. We have had one case of head lice recently and this will help prevent further cases.

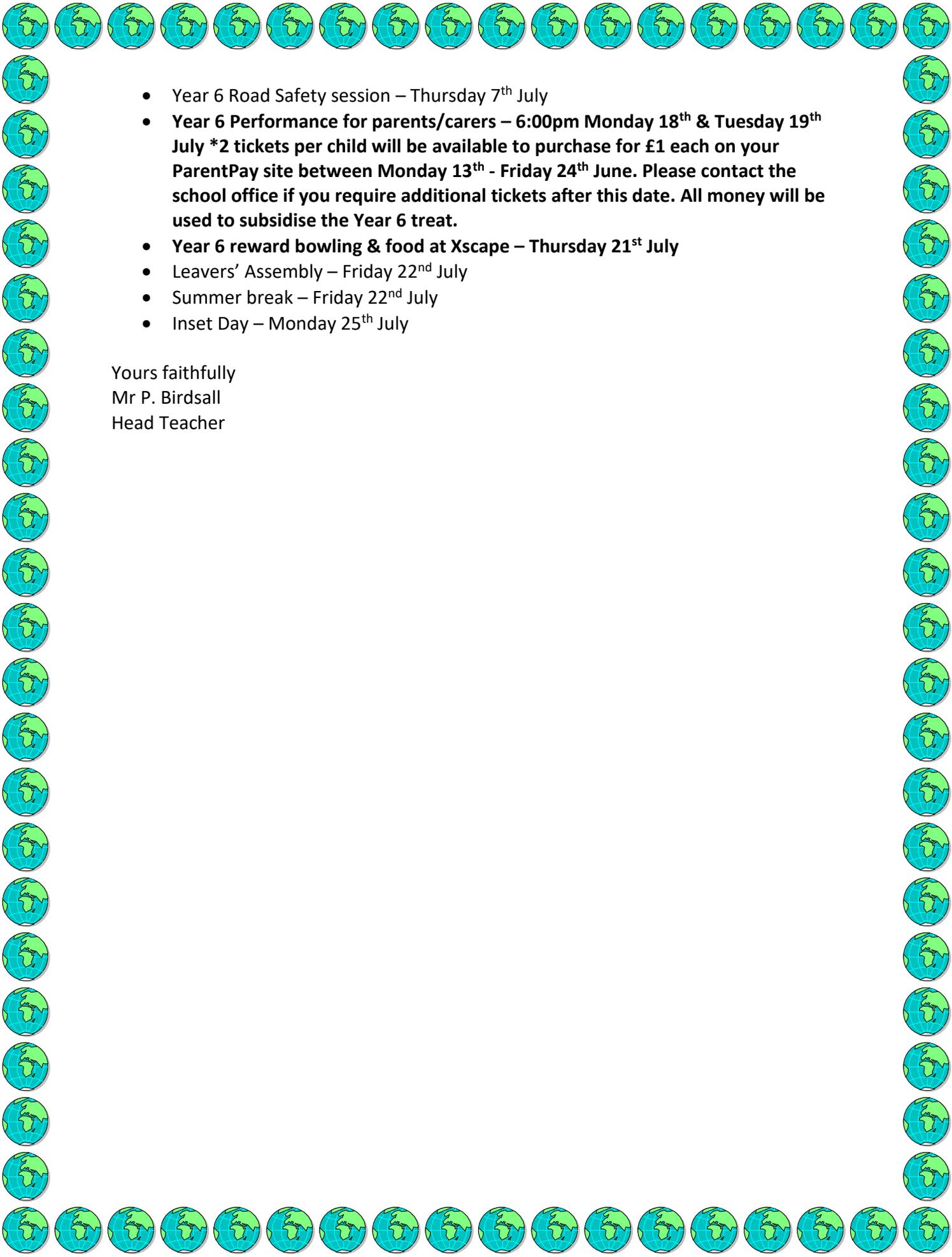
SCHOOL SNACKS & PACKED LUNCHES

We have noticed a number of children coming to school recently with unhealthy snacks for break time or in their packed lunch. Can I politely remind you that the children can bring a piece of fruit or a vegetable at break time and that packed lunches are healthy and balanced and do not include chocolate bars, sweets or fizzy drinks. Thank you.

DIARY DATES

***New dates in bold**

- Spotted Owls' Inspire – Wednesday 8th June
- Fire Safety Talks – Friday 17th June
- National Sports Week – Monday 20th – Friday 24th June
- Sports Day – Monday 20th June (Years 3&4 AM and Years 5&6 PM)
- Art Week – Monday 27th June – Friday 1st July
- Years 3 & 4 visit to Yorkshire Sculpture Park – Monday 27th June
- Years 5 & 6 visit to Yorkshire Sculpture Park – Tuesday 28th June
- Parents/carers Art Exhibition – 2:30pm Friday 1st July
- Transition Day & Crofton Academy Transition Day – Tuesday 5th July
- New to Year 3 Parents' Meeting – 6:00pm Tuesday 5th July
- New to Year 7 Crofton Academy Parents' Evening – Wednesday 6th July
- Second Transition Day – Thursday 7th July
- Year 6 Road Safety Talks – Thursday 7th July
- **Year 4 Visit to Flamborough – 8:15am – 4:30pm Monday 4th July**
- Year 6 Bikeability – Monday 4th – Wednesday 13th July

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- Year 6 Road Safety session – Thursday 7th July
 - **Year 6 Performance for parents/carers – 6:00pm Monday 18th & Tuesday 19th July *2 tickets per child will be available to purchase for £1 each on your ParentPay site between Monday 13th - Friday 24th June. Please contact the school office if you require additional tickets after this date. All money will be used to subsidise the Year 6 treat.**
 - **Year 6 reward bowling & food at Xscape – Thursday 21st July**
 - Leavers' Assembly – Friday 22nd July
 - Summer break – Friday 22nd July
 - Inset Day – Monday 25th July

Yours faithfully
Mr P. Birdsall
Head Teacher