## **Anston Greenlands Primary School**



# APRIL NEWSLETTER



### Dates for your Diary

May	
Monday Ist	May Day – school closed to children
Tuesday 2nd	Strike day – school closed to all children except YI
Thursday 4th	SCHOOL OPEN – THIS IS NO LONGER AN INSET DAY
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Coronation celebration – dress in red, white & blue!
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Bank Holiday (coronation)
9 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 SATs
WB 15 <sup>th</sup>	Y2 SATs
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Y5 / Y6 visit to Jorvik Viking Centre
Thursday 18th	Class photos (and individual Y6 photos)
22 <sup>nd</sup> – 26 <sup>th</sup>	Local history week
Wednesday 24th	FS2 / Y1 / Y2 visit to National Coal Mining Museum
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Y5 / Y6 visit to National Coal Mining Museum
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Y3 / Y4 visit to National Coal Mining Museum
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Last day – half term follows – return to school Tuesday 6th June (after INSET)
June	
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup>	INSET day – school closed to children
12 <sup>th</sup> - 16 <sup>th</sup>	Phonics Screening Check (Y1)
Wednesday 14th	Y3 / Y4 visit – details to follow
Wednesday 28th	KS2 performance (evening – weather permitting – see back up date below)
Thursday 29th	Sports Day (morning – weather permitting – see back up date below)
July	
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	KS2 performance – back up date
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day – back up date
	Non-uniform all week – Uniform Swap Shop to take place from Tuesday onwards
Thursday 20th	Last day – 2pm finish – summer holiday follows
Friday 21st	INSET day – school closed to children

#### Ofsted

Our Ofsted report has now been published! This is available on the school website.

#### Coronation Celebration

To celebrate the King's coronation, our children will be having a celebration afternoon on **Friday 5th May**. This will involve some games and music outside, as well as the opportunity to decorate (and eat!) a bun, which will be provided by school.

As part of this celebration, we'd like to ask all children to dress in red, white and/or blue on the day. Children are also invited to design and make a crown at home, to bring in with them. There will be a prize for the best crown!



#### Bank Holidays / INSET / Strike Days

What a jumbled couple of weeks! To keep things as straightforward as possible, here is a list of when children are in and when they're not. Thank you for your understanding!

Friday 28th April open

Monday Ist May closed (Bank Holiday)

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> open to YI only (strike day) – we will notify you of any changes

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> open

Thursday 4th open (INSET has been postponed)

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> open

Monday 8th closed (Bank Holiday)

Tuesday 9th onwards open!

#### INSET Dates - CHANGE

A reminder that the upcoming INSET day, planned for Thursday 4th May, has been moved. School will now be open to all children on Thursday 4th May. The new date for this INSET day is Friday 21st July, and school will be closed to children on this day. We will now break up for the summer holidays at 2pm on Thursday 20th July.

We are sorry to change this date at short notice. When we first planned this year's INSET days, this date was allocated as usual because we are a designated polling station; however, we have today been notified by the local authority that, because there are no local elections in our area, we may move this date. Given the number of closure days in the coming weeks, we have decided to do this.

We understand that some parents may have booked a day out for Thursday 4th, as you were expecting a closure. If this is the case, don't worry. Please complete a holiday form (available in the office) to let us know. You may be asked to show a booking reference or equivalent. On this occasion, any such requests will be authorised given the exceptional circumstances. For previously booked holidays which encompass this date, the other days will remain unauthorised, but the Thursday will now be authorised.

We apologise for any inconvenience this causes and thank you for your understanding. Given the circumstances, and with the opportunity arising, we felt that it was in the children's best interest to make this change and therefore have done so as quickly as possible.

This year's remaining INSET days are now Monday 5th June and Friday 21th July.

#### Local History Week

We are very excited about our upcoming Local history Week! As part of the week (22<sup>nd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> May), there will be an opportunity for every child in school to visit the National Coal Mining Museum, and throughout the project, children of all ages will be learning about this hugely important aspect of our area's local history. If you have any family stories or memorabilia related to coal mining, we'd love to hear from you!

#### Swap Shop

A reminder that the last week of term will be our uniform swap shop. If you have any school clothes that your children have grown out of, this will be an opportunity to swap them for the next size up, for free! We'll be getting in touch closer to the time about how this will work, but in the meantime we're always on the lookout for second hand uniform for our online shop — please feel free to drop items in at any time. For the online shop we only stock items with logos, but at the Summer Swap Shop, anything goes!

