



## Term 5 2026 - Week 6

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you so much for making our whole school walk up Firle Beacon last week such a success. We have some great photos of this event later in this newsletter.

It has been a busy term and we are all ready for a break. It's going to be a scorcher so don't forget to buy sun cream! We are very proud of our year 6 children who approached their SATs last week positively and with maturity. They gave their very best and were very respectful of each other.

The Laughton Fete is on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June from 2-5p.m. Please pop the date in your diary to come along for some fun activities, we hope to have some of our classrooms open too.

**Please note that we have 2 INSET days next term, Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June and Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July. The school will not be open on these days**

We want to wish you a very happy half term and look forward to seeing you all back in school on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June.



### ATTENDANCE

**Congratulations to Cherry Class and Holly Class who achieved highest attendance last week and the week before! Cherry Class achieved 95% and Holly Class achieved 96.47%**

Our target for this year is **96%** and our current whole school attendance is **93.99%**

### HEADTEACHER AWARDS

Congratulations to the winners for following our school values of

*Kindness Respect Working Together  
Perseverance Aspiration Forgiveness*

#### Last week

**Pips Class**  
Solomon

**Cherry Class**  
Finn

**Beech Class**  
Elizabeth and Josiah

**Holly Class**  
Martha and Marley

#### This week

**Pips Class**  
Faye

**Cherry Class**  
Romy

**Beech Class**  
Theo and Max

**Holly Class**  
Ornella and Frank

### DIARY

#### **May 2026**

Mon 25<sup>th</sup> End of Term 5 Break

#### **June 2026**

Mon 1<sup>st</sup> Start of term 6  
Skipping workshop  
Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> Class photographs  
Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> 2026 Y5/6 residential meeting  
Weds 17<sup>th</sup> Patina making day Y6 at Laughton  
Weds 24<sup>th</sup> Patina making day Y6 at Laughton  
Mon 29<sup>th</sup> Y6 Transition day – King's Academy  
Tues 30<sup>th</sup> Y6 Transition day – King's Academy

#### **July 2026**

Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> Patina parade  
Fri 10<sup>th</sup> Sports day  
Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Y6 Leavers' trip  
Mon 20<sup>th</sup> Y6 Leavers' assembly

#### INSET days 2026

**Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> June / Weds 22<sup>nd</sup> July**

## A MESSAGE FOR THE YEAR 6'S

To all of Year 6 - We are so proud of the way you conducted yourselves throughout SATs week. You showed real courage, resilience and focus exactly when it was needed most.

You also looked after one another, kept spirits high, and supported your friends every step of the way. Even when faced with some challenging papers, you stayed positive and kept going.

You should feel incredibly proud of yourselves we certainly are.



## FOREST SCHOOL



This week, we have been toasting bread over an open fire! It's hard to believe that the children were ready for rain on Wednesday! However, even in the warmer weather, *please remember that children must have long trousers on for Forest School as the grass can be scratchy. Please also remember to send your child in with sun cream on and a hat.*



## WHOLE SCHOOL WALK

To celebrate Ascension Day, our entire school community joined with Laughton School to complete our annual four-mile climb to Firle Beacon and back. This tradition perfectly highlights our school's vibrant sense of community, positive team spirit, and inexhaustible perseverance. Every single pupil, from our youngest four-year-olds to our eldest eleven-year-olds, took part along with lots of our lovely parents and families. The children supported each other beautifully, offering encouragement and sometimes a hand to hold up the steepest paths. Thankfully, the weather held out and the rain stayed away, so that we could enjoy a picnic at the top while watching paragliders ascend even higher!



Thank you to all of our parent helpers who helped to support the children throughout the day and to Lucy for her car support, kindly transporting the infant lunches and providing refills of water along the way, and to our fabulous Friends of Firle who provided us all with very well-deserved, celebratory ice creams and ice lollies capping off a brilliant day of togetherness and shared achievement.



A special thank you to Mrs Geer who spent a lot of time organising the walk. It's not an easy job to undertake. So much work goes into writing risk assessments, organising staffing, lunches, car support and route planning. We hope you all enjoyed the walk as much as we did.

## CLASS PHOTOGRAPHS

On **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June** Nicky, our photographer will come into school to take class photographs, please make sure that the children are in full school uniform and bring in their PE kit that day if it is a class PE day.

## SKIPPING WORKSHOP

We are delighted to have Skipping Workshops Ltd coming in after the holiday to provide a whole school skipping workshop day involving lessons for all classes. Skipping Workshops Ltd have given workshops, clubs and demonstrations in over 2000 schools, represented Great Britain at international skipping events and appeared on many TV shows. Skipping (or jump rope) is now universally used by professional athletes, not only boxers, for fitness, strength and endurance. It also teaches coordination, cooperation and teamwork. The school supports these aims.

To give you an idea of the sort of skills that will be taught on the day there are videos created by Skipping Workshops at <https://www.skippingworkshops.co.uk/photos-and-videos/>

Please tell your children not to worry if they cannot skip yet. We will take any beginners gently through the initial stages.

The same high-quality speed ropes, as used by the international team and made locally, will be available to order and purchase at the end of the skipping day from the Skipping Workshops coaches. Prices start at £6 for child-size ropes. A range of sizes and colours are available. You can pre-order here for pick up at the end of the school day or from the school office at a later date: <https://www.skippingworkshops.co.uk/store/>  
Remember, skipping is for adults as well and a fun, fuss-free way to get fit. It can be done anytime and anywhere. Skipping as a pair is a skill your child will learn during the day and will be able to teach you. This is a fun but educational and life-enhancing event, and we hope to embed skipping in a child's life to enhance health and fitness now and for the future.

### **TRANSITION**

Next term we will be starting our transition sessions to help the children prepare for September. For some children this will be a change of class and or teacher and for some it will be becoming the older year group in that class. Staff also get the opportunity later in the term to share information with their next teacher to make the move as smooth as possible. We also look forward to welcoming our new Reception children and their families.

### **BIKEABILITY & HALF TERM ACTIVITIES**

Please see the attached Bikeability courses that will be run throughout half term. Also attached are a huge amount of half term activities.

### **SCHOOL UNIFORM DISCOUNT CODE**

The My Clothing Team are offering a 10% discount on School uniform for the rest of this academic year.

Please visit [MyClothing](#) and use the below code at checkout

**Code:** INTAKE10

**Expiry:** 31st July 2026

Kind regards,

Mrs Rachel West and Mrs Jeannette Fuller