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22nd June 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

Activity Week – 27th June – 1st July 2022

Since the return from lockdown and the completion of our Covid Recovery Plan we have been working with students and staff to improve wellbeing, both physical and mental.

We have worked with Christina Mitchell (an Educational Consultant) on Emotional and Mental Wellbeing and have used several different strategies including Judo Education, Competitions, After School Clubs, the Daily Mile and Scooter Sessions to improve the physical wellbeing of our staff and students.

Next week, from 27th June-1st July 2022 onwards, we will have an Activity Week in school to celebrate this work and conclude our current Wellbeing Plan. The aim of the Activity Week is to provide our students with an afternoon involving some fun physical activities. All students will take part and there will be four sessions in total:

- Nursery and Reception
- Year 1 and Year 2
- Year 3 and Year 4
- Year 5 and Year 6

There will be games, challenges, competitions, some races, team activities all celebrating having fun and being active with friends.

A return to a traditional Sports Day was considered but it was decided that more time was needed to feel ready for such a large-scale event. I am aware that Sports Day is a great favourite of parents and we will be looking to planning this again in the future but currently we do not feel able to put on such a big event having not had such large numbers of parents on site for a long time.

As a school we have started to invite parents back to events and this summer there are some smaller scale events planned. We are building back up slowly and safely so that our students enjoy the events, everyone is safe, and we can once again open school to parents and carers in positive and safe way.

I understand that this is disappointing as you all love to attend a school Sports Day, however, I am sure you can understand that not only do we need to be sure that we can run such a large event safely, but we want the focus to be on the children so that everyone can enjoy themselves.

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We would like to work with parents next school year to plan these events so that we can work together on some of the more difficult aspects of organising and running these events such as keeping younger siblings away from the activities, use of toilets, entry and exit points, how to keep adults in designated areas etc. Please look out for an invite to some focus groups that we will run in the new school year.

Again, I apologise for not being able to run a traditional Sports Day involving parents and carers but what I am certain of is your children will have a great, active and fun session next week and that is the experience and memory I want for every child.

Yours faithfully

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