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**Newsletter No.30**

Dear Parents/Carers Friday 12th May 2017

**Year 2 SATs**

Flamingo Class have their SATs next week. They have been working really hard and I know they will do really well. These SATs are marked by Miss Green and used to support our teacher assessment. They are not timed tests and are completed in a relaxed manner.

**Year 6 SATs/Climbing Trip**

Well done Blue Jay Class a very successful week with all SATs papers completed and sent off for marking. The children all turned up for toast and jam at 8am each morning and every child has worked really hard.

They can now look forward to their climbing trip on Monday, well deserved for the best attendance last term.

**Girls Football**

Next Wednesday our Girls Football Team play in the playoffs. I will let you know how they get on next week.

**Head Lice/Nits**

Please, please, please take the time this weekend to check for head lice and nits. We are having increasing problems with re-infestation for some families. If we all check and action any then children are more likely to stay clear.

**Fidget Spinners**

I’m sorry to say that fidget spinners are not aiding concentration at Ashton Vale and are causing arguments and upset which is rare. I do not normally ban items from school but in this case, having discussed it with staff, I feel that fidget spinners need to stay at home.

We will be confiscating any that come into school from Monday.

Thank you for your support.

**Children’s University**

If your child does Children’s University their hours must be logged by the 9th June for them to get their award(s) this year. If you do not know how to do this or have lost your password please come and see me.

**Ashton Vale Hub**

I am pleased to say that the Ashton Vale Community Centre Hub Cafe and Art Group is this **Sunday 14th May** (not Saturday as normal). It is hoped that the change of day will help the centre to reach out to more people. The centre will open at 10am to 12 noon and cost £1 per child. There will be a pebble and shell craft theme and drinks and refreshments will also be available.

**Anne Bonny, Pirate Queen**

Chris Brown (aka Mr Brown’s Pig) will be presenting a miniature pirate adventure using scenery, model ships and small figures to tell the story of Anne Bonny. There will be narration, sound tracks of music and sound effects.   The performance will be held at Ashton Vale Community Centre, BS3 2QY on Friday 12th May and will cost £2 per person. The performance starts at 6.30pm and is suitable for children of all ages. Chris can be contacted via his website [www.puppetsonline.co.uk](http://www.puppetsonline.co.uk/).

**Phonics Screening Meeting for Year 1 Parents**

Mr Inskip is holding phonics information meetings for parents of children in Robin Class. If you want to attend you can go along at 8.50am or 3.20pm on Tuesday 16th May.

**Chickens**

Our chickens are getting worried as we have a lot of weekends where they need to be fed. If you can help please sign up in the office.

Thank you.

**School Dinners**

There is a change to the dinner menu next Thursday 18th May. The kitchen will be preparing a special chicken pie, mash, vegetables and gravy or a veggie option and for pudding we will be having chocolate brownie.

**Attendance**

This week’s figures are:

Penguin 93.4 Robin 85.7% Flamingo 93.3% **Crow 98.9%**

**Falcon 95.3%**  **Kingfisher 95.2** **Blue Jay 100%**

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher