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Tankersley St. Peter's Primary School

Dear Tankersley Community



What an extraordinary week we have had at Tankersley St Peter's. Our Year 5 pupils have returned from the music festival at the Metrodome, where they performed with their brass instruments. They were absolutely magnificent, and Miss J was bursting with pride—as was I. Their dedication and talent shone through brilliantly.

Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God, my saviour and my hope in you all day long.



Of course, the heat has presented us with some unexpected challenges. The temperatures have been relentless, and we needed to act swiftly to ensure our pupils remained safe and comfortable. This week, we have introduced "shade time"—when the whistle sounds, the children move to shaded areas, take time to rest, and drink plenty of water. I am delighted to report that this initiative has been quite successful.

However, I must take a moment to celebrate our Year 6 pupils. Their support and compassion during shade time has been truly heartwarming. They have played games with the younger children, offered encouragement, and embodied the very best of our school values. They continue to make me extraordinarily proud, and I must confess that as their time with us draws to a close, the thought of their final goodbye is rather emotional. We may indeed need to invest in a considerable supply of tissues!

What a whirlwind the residential has been! Writing this on four hours of sleep, I can assure you that exhaustion is entirely worth it. Our pupils have been absolutely wonderful—displaying impeccable manners, genuine kindness towards one another, and a remarkable willingness to help at every turn. The energy has been relentless, the laughter infectious, and the appetite seemingly endless!

From zip-lining to archery, and this morning's inflatable adventures, every moment has been packed with excitement and joy. These experiences create lasting memories and foster the resilience and confidence that define our school community. Thank you to all staff who have made this possible.



Dates for your diary

JUNE

29th Y5 trip

30th June KS1 sports day

1st July

FS1 and FS2 sports day - 9:20

2nd July TT rockstar day

7th July SATS results

9th July Transition day

10th July Science day

10th July School summer disco

13th July Y2 trip

16th Y3 trip and FS1 trip

17th KS2 sports day

20th July Y6 panto p.m

21st FS2 trip

21st Y6 panto p.m

22nd Y6 leavers service 9:30 a.m.



It has been wonderful to witness the progress our pupils have made across the school this half-term. In Year 4, our young musicians have taken to the recorder with impressive enthusiasm and skill—their dedication to mastering this instrument is truly commendable. Meanwhile, Year 6 are in full creative flow with our pantomime production, carefully crafting characters and refining scripts to bring their vision to life.



I am delighted to share that our Year 4 pupils have achieved an outstanding average of 23.5 out of 25 in the Multiplication Tables Check, whilst 93% of our Year 1 children met the phonics screening pass rate. These results reflect the commitment of our exceptional teaching team and the invaluable support of our families at home.



A heartfelt thank you to Mrs Taylor, who has generously returned from retirement to deliver phonics interventions with our Year 1 learners. Her expertise and generosity of spirit have made a real difference.



This weekend, I am going to try and wash a very stinky lake out of my hair. I went in with all 3 groups and helped the children, (I know I am so kind) to cool down down by splashing them.

