



Headteacher's Introduction

Year Six have completed their tests this week and have shown determination and strength of character throughout. Well done – I am sure they will have a great time at Young Voices today.

New: Jubilee Celebrations

To celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, we are having a special Jubilee Lunch on Thursday 26th May. The school dinner menu will be changed that day to a picnic style lunch, with all children eating at tables outside on the KS2 playground. On this day, children may come to school in non-uniform wearing something red, white or blue (or a combination of all).

New: Jubilee Competition

Also to celebrate the jubilee we would like to hold a competition for children and families to get involved with. We would like the children to make something that represents the Queen, the Monarchy or Britain. It could be a model, a picture, a story or poem, anything really that we can share in school in the last week of term. We would like children to bring them in to school on Thursday 26th May – we will display them in the hall for everyone to see. We'd love to see your creativity and flair for this and will award prizes for the winners.

New: Staffing Update

As you know, Mrs Forrest is retiring at the end of this half term – her last day will be Friday 27th May. We have appointed a new office manager (I hesitate from using the word replacement here!). Miss Lindsey Jones will start work straight after half term. She has worked in an admin role for several years in the dental service. We will all be working hard to support her in the new role and I am sure you will forgive her for not knowing everyone – she will need to ask you your name or who your child is when you call in or phone up.

New: Word of the Week

This week's word has been **Responsibility** and next week we are focussing on **Commitment**.

New: Y6 Yoga Club

Mrs Batey will be running a new Year 6 Yoga Club starting on Tuesday (17th May), 8.10am-8.40am and running each Tuesday until the end of term. In order to book please email office@acomb.pmat.academy. Numbers are limited so please do not send your child unless you have received confirmation of a place from Mrs Forrest. Thank you.

New: Team Points

All four colour teams have made it to the top of their token tubes in the hall this week – with blue team spilling out onto the table below. As a treat this time, all teams will be given an extra playtime in the next two weeks, at a time suitable to their timetable.

Reminder: Lily Foundation Fundraiser

As part of English in years 5 and 6, we have been writing persuasive letters. This culminated in a letter we wrote to a variety of organisations asking for donations for a raffle, which will raise money for The Lily Foundation – our charity of the year. If you would like to contribute a raffle prize to this wonderful cause, the deadline for donations is Friday 27th May as the date of the raffle is Friday 10th June. Please hand any donations to the Year 5 or 6 staff. If you would like more information, please contact me: dbaldwin@acomb.pmat.academy
Alternatively, if you would like to make a financial contribution you can here
- www.justgiving.com/fundraising/mrbacomb Thank you.



New: Change to menu next week

Due to staff shortages, the menu will change to – Tuesday - Ham, Cheese or Tuna wraps, Wednesday – Beef Goulash, Thursday – Pizza or cheese bread and Friday - Fishfingers or Baked potato.

Reminder: Non-uniform day

To celebrate Mrs Forrest’s retirement the children may all come in non-uniform clothes on **Monday 23rd May**. She has asked that you make a donation for this to the Lily Foundation via this link: www.justgiving.com/fundraising/mrbacomb Thank you.

Reminder: Friends of Acomb Primary

A huge thank you for all the school uniform donations that have been sent in so far – please keep them coming! If anyone has any spare children’s coat hangers (or a clothes rail they no longer need) if you could drop them off (at the school office) that would be most helpful.

Reminder: Ordering School Uniform online

Our supplier is APC clothing at Tadcaster. The cut-off date to guarantee orders are delivered to you before the end of the summer term is **Friday 3rd June 2022**.The link for orders is

<http://www.school-uniforms.co.uk/index.php/find-your-school/acomb-primary-school.html>

Dates for your diary

May			
Fri	13	Y6 at Young Voices	
Mon	16	Pedestrian Training Y3 & Y4	
Mon	23	Early Years Trip to Beetle Bank Farm Non-uniform day for Y1 to Y6	
Tue	24	Class Photos	
Thu	26	Jubilee Lunch Jubilee competition entries to be brought to school	Non-uniform – wear something red, white or blue
Fri	27	3.00pm School Closes to all children	
Half Term Monday 30 th May – Friday 3 rd June			
June			
Mon	6	School Opens to all children	
Tue	14	KS1 trip to Scampston Hall	Details to follow
Mon	27	Y6 Bikeability	
Tue	28	Y6 Bikeability	
Thu	30	Y6 Bikeability	
July			
Fri	1	Y6 Bikeability	
Mon	4	Y6 Bikeability	
Tue	5	Y6 Bikeability	
Wed	6	Y6 Transition Day to Secondary Schools	The Secondary schools will contact you directly about this.
Thu	7	Y6 Bikeability	
Fri	8	Y6 Bikeability	
Fri	22	3pm School Closes for the summer holiday	

Online Safety

<https://acombprimary.org.uk/curriculum/e-safety/>

According to Ofcom's most recent research, a significant proportion of children are already online by the time they start school, with 17% of 5-year-olds owning their own mobile phone and 50% using messaging platforms. As becoming familiar with technology is generally encouraged in younger children – and has been essential for education during the pandemic – it is important that trusted adults recognise both the benefits and the risks of infants and toddlers going online. In this week's guide, you'll find some top tips to help the under-5s start their online safety journey.



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SUMMER HALF TERM HOLIDAY CLUB TIMETABLE

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
NETBALL	BASKETBALL	CRICKET
ROUNDERS	TENNIS	ULTIMATE FRISBEE
DODGEBALL	TAG RUGBY	CAPTURE THE FLAG
SAFE ZONE	FOOTBALL	HANDBALL

EVERYDAY AT BOTH VENUES!!!

TIG GAMES - ARCHERY - GO KARTS - SCOOTERS - HIDE AND SEEK