

# **New Marske News**

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Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June

# **Holiday and Absence Policy 2017**

On Wednesday this week the governing body will review the Holiday and Absence Policy 2017 in light of the government's successful Supreme Court appeal against holiday absence. The policy, which has not changed significantly since the original change in April 2013, states that family holidays, in most circumstances are not regarded as exceptional circumstances and will be regarded as an unauthorised absence. If an unauthorised absence is taken, schools can recommend that a fine or warning letter is issued by the local authority. The decision about this is taken by the head teacher, often based on a pupil's attendance over the previous 12 months. If a parent regards the absence as an exceptional circumstance, this should be put in writing to the school. If and when the policy is approved, parents will be notified and it will be placed onto the school website.

### **Family assemblies**

Family assemblies take place on a Thursday at 9.50am until 10.05am. Families are warmly welcomed to come along and watch their children sharing their learning on the following days:

- Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June Year 2
- Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June Year 1
- Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July Reception

#### **School Crossing Patrol**

New Marske Primary School has a school crossing supervisor who is in attendance on the road outside school from 8:15am – 9:-00am. Please can parents remind unaccompanied pupils to use the crossing patrol and to dismount from their bikes when crossing. As a school we do continually remind pupils about road safety but it has been noted that some pupils can forget about how to cross when in a rush to get into school.

## **PD Day Reminder**

Our next planned PD day is on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June. School will be closed to pupils on this day and will reopen on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> of June.

Many thanks

#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:**

- Sports Day KS1 and KS2 Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July.
- Pupil reports to parents 13<sup>th</sup> of July
- End of summer term 21st of July

### **PE kits**

Please remember to bring all PE kits (white T-shirt, blue/black bottoms or shorts and trainers) on a Monday morning to be kept in school for the week.

Many thanks