



DMA/LFA

8th July, 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to you to provide a detailed breakdown of the final two weeks of the school year. I have been so proud of the progress students have made this year and hope they enjoy the activities and experiences on offer as we approach the end of term.

Sports Day – Tuesday 12th July

We are pleased to be running the first sports day any of our current students have experienced here at Central. We have over 80% of students signed up to take part in events to represent their form and house. The main event will take place at The Sheepmount Athletics Stadium on Tuesday 12th July, with the whole school walking down to cheer on their fellow peers. We also have a number of heats taking place on Monday 11th July during period 3.

We would welcome parents to come and support the day and we will have a spectator area if you would like to attend the event. Below I have outlined timings of the day for your information:

- 08:35 – 09:30:** Students are in form time in school
- 09:30 – 10:30:** Students and staff walk down to the stadium
- 10:30 – 14:00:** Sports day events
- 14:00 – 14:45:** Students and staff will walk back to school
- 14:45:** School day ends

Please note that students must return to school and cannot be collected or walk home from the stadium. The school day will finish 15 minutes early, however, if your child gets picked up at the normal time we will have the lecture theatre open for students to wait to be collected.

Students have already been told they will need to wear PE kit on the day and their tutors have told students what they need on the day, I have outlined this below for your information:

- Students will need to bring a packed lunch and a drink (If you are entitled to free school meals this will be provided for you)
- Sunscreen
- Waterproof jacket just in case it rains!
- Hat/Cap
- Snacks

We will have a range of snacks available for students including water on site throughout the day. We do hope the weather is going to be as good as it looks on the forecast. However, in the unlikely event the weather changes we aim to make a decision on Monday 11th July to postpone/cancel. Please be aware the reserve date is Thursday 14th July.



Year 5 Meet the Principal – Wednesday 13th July

I am delighted to be running a Meet the Principal Evening as we start the transition to secondary school 2023/24. I am so pleased we are continuing to grow as a school at a rapid pace and would welcome any year 5 students and their families to one of the two talks on Wednesday 13th July. The talks will take place at 16.30 and 17.30 and will include a presentation from myself and some of our current year 7 students outlining what it is like to attend our fantastic school.

Central Community Festival – Thursday 14th July

As I mentioned in our recent newsletter on Thursday 14th July, we have our community festival. This is an opportunity to celebrate our students' achievements including a range of drama and music performances alongside our Art exhibition. The event will start at 5 pm and run into the early evening. There will also be a range of family activities as well as food served from 6 pm. If you are planning on attending the event please sign up [HERE](#)

Activities Days – Monday 18th & Tuesday 19th July

On Monday 18th and Tuesday 19th July we have our annual activities week. Students will be involved in a range of celebration and creative events including; trips, sports and practical challenges. Students have already been signing up for events during tutor time and I do hope they enjoy the two days as much as last year.

As part of our Activities Week, all students in Years 7-10 will take part in a sponsored walk on Central Fields across the road from school, details of the days for the walks are below:

Year 7 and Year 9 – Tuesday 19th July from 13.30 – 15.00

Year 8 and Year 10 – Monday 18th July from 13.30 – 15.00

We are proud to say we are supporting Cancer Research's Race for Life and Marie Curie. Therefore, all monies raised from our sponsored walk will be split between these two charities. Last year, we raised over £5,000 for our chosen charity, Eden Valley Hospice and this year we aim to exceed this amount.

We are aware that these sponsored walks require a great deal of planning and supervision, students will be accompanied by a member of the Senior Leadership Team, their Heads of Year and both teaching and non-teaching staff while on the walk. Students will be checked as they leave, at points along the route and finally as they return to school for 14.50.

Students should wear their PE kit and trainers (for both activities days), they should also bring with them the following:

- A drink (water) to have enroute
- waterproof jacket just in case it rains!
- sunscreen
- a sensible bag to carry all the above items in.

We hope that every student will participate and raise money for Cancer Research and Marie Curie.

We would ask that everyone who participates brings in some sponsor money, students will bring home on Friday their sponsor form and an envelope, this is to make paying money easier, all sponsor money can be returned to school in the envelope, along with the sponsor form.

Final Day Plans – Wednesday 20th July

This year we break up on Wednesday 20th July. On the final day of school students will be in their forms period 1 to take part in our inter-house challenge. During period 2 we will have our awards assembly before finishing at 12:15. Any students entitled to free school meals may collect a “grab bag” with lunch at 12:15 before they depart.

I do hope this provides you with a detailed breakdown of the next two weeks and I look forward to writing to you in our final newsletter about some of the fantastic events over the next few weeks. As always, thank you for your support.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in red ink, appearing to be 'Mr Markham', written in a cursive style.

**Mr Markham
Principal**