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Dear Parent/Carer,

We have had a very successful week! The **Otley Carnival** Committee have been in touch to inform us that after the children took part in the poster competition, we had the winner and runner up in the age 4-6 category and the winner and runner up in the age 7-9 category! Well done to Forrest P, Ava F, Sophie D and Poppy B! Their posters are on the Carnival website and Facebook group. In addition, Lilybelle from year 6 has also been successful in her application to be one of the 15 Carnival Stars—well done Lilybelle!

We had further success in this week's **Wharfedale Festival of Performing Arts,** we came second and third in the 'Duo Verse Speaking' category and second in the 'Theatre Time' category. Well done to all the children involved. Drama club for children in years 3, 4, 5 and 6 continues after school on Tuesdays and we intend to enter this competition next year.

This week, all children have been taking part in our **International Arts & Diversity week**. Children in class 1 have studied the Lebanese artist Etel Adnan and explored primary colours through painting and collage. Class 2 will be creating art inspired by a North American artist tomorrow. Class 3 have focused on Brazilian artist Beatrice Milhaze and recreated an installation and collages which explore the vibrant art typical of the country. Class 4 have been inspired by Hiila Ozdemir, a Turkish artist whose artwork is epitomised by pattern and colour. All this art work will be on display on 21st and 28th June.

Today was **'Outdoor Classroom Day!'** Activities included planting the wildflower seeds that were sent to all schools as part of the Coronation celebrations.

Now the sunny weather has finally arrived, a reminder to please send in named bottles of **suncream** (to stay in school) for your child to top up their suncream at break times (children in years N and R will be helped, other children will be supervised). Sun hats also recommended.

Next Tuesday, **Tempest Photography** will be coming into school to take class photographs. All children should please be in their usual smart uniform.

Otley Carnival News—The children have voted and the theme for his year will be 'Bees'! Full details about how to get involved and costume ideas in next week's newsletter!

A reminder that school closes at 3.30pm on Friday 26th for **half term**, and reopens on Monday 5th June, with breakfast club from 8am.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs E Nayler, Headteacher