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Dear Parents,

Welcome to this week's newsletter.

Cultural Day - With one week to go until the half-term break, the children are enjoying the sunshine and making the most of their opportunities at school. Yesterday was Cultural Day, where the children worked in their House Point Teams to think and learn about Brazil. I was delighted to be able to work alongside a number of children and was very impressed by their artistic abilities, especially the younger children. They also made fruit kebabs, masks, learnt Brazilian dances, drumming and made flags for today's mini-Olympics.

Mini-Olympics – Today the children's PE with Mr Conkey has been themed around the Olympics, with a wide variety of events to suit all tastes. As ever, the children have taken part with great enthusiasm and energy.

Singing and Dancing Workshop – On **Friday 27th**, as part of the hugely-successful Ireby Festival, all children will be taking part in a workshop developing their singing and clog –dancing ability, both useful life skills I am sure you will agree. We have ordered the correct clog sizes (fingers crossed) and hope to put on a short performance at the end of the day for all parents and carers. For anyone who wishes to have a go afterwards, a bag of frozen peas and a bandage is mandatory.

Ireby Festival tickets – Charles Devlin has very kindly offered Ireby School children and their parents complimentary tickets for the Saturday 28th May 10am -6pm. Any child can bring up to two adults, but all adults must have accompanying children. If you would like to take advantage of this offer, please can all names be given to the school office by end of school **Tuesday 24th May**.

Violin tuition – This half term's cost are £49 for solo tuition and £31.50 for group tuition. For the next half-term (8 weeks) the costs will be £56 for solo tuition and £36 for group tuition.

PTA Sponsored Walk – This takes place tomorrow between 1-4pm at Mark and Jenny Lee's farm, Park House, Torpenhow. We are hoping for fine weather but please come along regardless and support the PTA, with thanks to the Lee family for hosting this event.

Please feel free to contact the school if you wish to discuss any aspect of your child's education; as we now move forward I would be particularly keen to hear any suggestions for the forthcoming half-term and September 2016.

Kind regards,

Rob Blake, Executive Headteacher