



SEPTEMBER 2023 NEWSLETTER



TOGETHER WE ACHIEVE

A very warm welcome back to all our families and a very special welcome to all our new families, I hope you have all enjoyed the summer.

Over the next few days, you should receive a more detailed year group/class newsletter regarding PE days, book changes etc, but some general information that may be of interest to you includes:

Myself and our Assistant Headteachers, Mrs Clifton (EYFS lead), Mrs Smith (KS1 lead) and Mr Richardson (KS2 lead) are available should you need to talk about something that your child's class teacher cannot assist with. I can be found on the Reception Cloakroom door alongside Mrs Hall (School Business Manager) every morning for a quick word. Mrs Adams (Special Needs Coordinator) is out of class Monday and Tuesday and is happy to meet with any parents that feel they require further information or support. If you need support around a safeguarding issue myself and Mrs Smith are the safeguarding leads in school.

Our Nurture Team, Mrs Hodge (Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday) Mrs Burton (Thursday and Friday) are available throughout the school day to support any issues you would like to discuss, no matter how small. You can catch them for a quick word before or after school on the playground or make an appointment through the school office.

School uniform details can be found on our school website, including PE kit. Please support your child to ensure they have the correct uniform at all times, please label EVERYTHING, if there is no name, we find it very difficult to get it back to you. Children can come to school in their PE kits on their 'long PE day', this must adhere to our uniform policy, football kits are not acceptable. On none PE days children are expected in full uniform with school shoes, no trainers. Hair accessories are considered part of the uniform and should be small, have a practical purpose and in keeping with school colours please.

Parking is an ongoing issue for the vast majority of schools across the country and ours is no different. If you must drive to school please consider the whole school community, not just your own needs and your own children. We sit on a very busy bus route and parking a few minutes' walk away rather than trying to get close to the school gate may just save a child's life. We do encourage parking wardens to ticket parents that have parked inappropriately around the school. If you see an issue with parking, pictures you take can be sent to the local police team to help with this ongoing issue.

As always, we are offering an open-door policy, if you have any questions, concerns or comments your class teacher should always be your first point of contact.

It is lovely to have all the children back in school, they have all settled in well.

Kind regards
Mrs J Baker
Head Teacher

Polite reminders

- water bottles need to be named and large enough to last your child the full day, including lunch
- do not enter the school site before 8.40am or 3.10pm
- Please try and use ParentPay for all payments. If you require an activation form, please contact the school office.

Jeans for Genes Day

Friday 22nd September 2023

Children can come to school wearing non-uniform on the bottom half (preferably jeans) but School uniform **MUST** be worn on the top half. School shoes do not have to be worn. Any donations for this charity can be handed to their class teacher.

**Break time snacks -
must be fruit or
something healthy.**

New School dinner prices -

Nursery - £2.35

All School - £2.95

Just a reminder that children who have started in Year 3 in September will no longer be entitled to universal free school meals.

There are still spaces available in our Nursery for September 2023, January and Easter 2024. If you are interested in a place for your child, please contact the school office.

DATES FOR DIARY

Friday 22nd September

Monday 25th & Tuesday 26th September

Monday 2nd & Tuesday 3rd October

Wednesday 4th & Thursday 5th October

Tues 24th & Thur 26th October

Jeans for Genes Day

Year 6 Bike Ability Group 1

Year 6 Bike Ability Group 2

Year 6 Bike Ability Group 3

Group 4 dates tbc

Parents Evenings

Please also see school website for calendar dates

Governors

Philip Boyes	Chair of Governors/Health & Safety
Geoff Stockill	Vice Chair/LA Governor
Sarah Owen	Staff Governor
Beverley Dowdy	Co-opted Governor/Safeguarding Governor
Solar Richmond	Co-opted Governor
Joanna Millican	Parent Governor
Peter Jones	Parent Governor
Laura Clark	Co-opted Governor
Caroline Karbani	Parent Governor
Ian McKenzie	Parent Governor
Stephen Flatman	Co-opted Governor
Geoff McConnell	Parent Governor
AJ Durling	Co-opted Governor

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 2023/2024

	SCHOOL CLOSURES	SCHOOL OPENS
October Half Term	Fri 27 th Oct 2023	Mon 6 th Nov 2023
Christmas Holidays	Fri 22 nd Dec 2023	Mon 8 th Jan 2024
February Half Term	Fri 9 th Feb 2024	Mon 19 th Feb 2024
Easter Holidays	Fri 22 nd Mar 2024	Mon 8 th Apr 2024
May Day Bank Holiday	Mon 6 th May 2024	
May Half Term	Fri 24 th May 2024	Mon 3 rd June 2024
Summer Holidays	Fri 19 th July 2024	

TRAINING DAYS 2023/2024 - SCHOOL CLOSED TO CHILDREN

FRIDAY 1ST DECEMBER 2023
MONDAY 11TH MARCH 2024
FRIDAY 5TH JULY 2024
MONDAY 22ND JULY 2024

Please note that our training days are different to the standard North Yorkshire County Council advertised dates