

Snainton Church of England Primary School

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Newsletter

Friday 16th October, 2020

This week has been very encouraging as our school community is gaining new additions. New parents and carers have visited based on the recommendations from yourselves. It is heart-warming to think that you feel so confident in our school community that you have shared this with others. We continue to promote our school externally, but word of mouth and personal recommendation can make a huge difference. Thank you to everyone for the welcome I know you will extend to the new members of our school community as they join us in the coming weeks.

Well done to the 15 children that still have 100% attendance this year. It is really pleasing to see so many children with such an excellent attendance so far.

Our overall attendance as a whole school is 97.3% which is a big improvement on last year. Well done to everyone for your support of our commitment to improving attendance.

Black History Events

Our school serves a diverse community and we have planned a special day of events in school to help develop our understanding as part of Black History Month. These events are age appropriate and provides an opportunity for your child to share their understanding of the contributions of significant people throughout our history.

If you have any questions about these events, please speak with your child's class teacher. We look forward to being able to share the children's work from these events on the class notice boards near the gate.

Headlice

There is a further outbreak of headlice in school. Please continue to check your child's hair regularly and use conditioner and a fine comb to treat the hair (this can be more effective than over-the-counter treatments). **Please ensure any long hair is tied back from Monday to help stop the spread in school.**

Dates for the diary

23rd Oct - Break up for half term

2nd Nov - Staff Training Day

3rd Nov - Pupils return to school

9th Nov - Robbie Hawkes PE

11th Nov - Remembrance Day

13th Nov - Forest School

16th Nov - Robbie Hawkes PE

23rd Nov - Robbie Hawkes PE

27th Nov - Forest School

30th Nov - Robbie Hawkes PE

7th Dec - Robbie Hawkes PE

11th Dec - Forest School

14th Dec - Robbie Hawkes PE

18th Dec - Break up for Christmas

4th January 2021 - Staff Training Day

5th Jan - Pupils return to school

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PTA

The PTA has organised a sponsored litter pick in Snainton tomorrow, Saturday 17th October. Please support this in any way you can. I am confident that local residents will appreciate all the hard work and the PTA will benefit from any sponsorship money.

Please return all sponsor money to the school office by Friday 23rd October and it will be passed to the PTA.

The PTA has also arranged for Christmas cards designed by your children to be available to you if you wish. The designs have come home with the children and you can order the cards. These make wonderful cards to family members. Please return any orders to school by Friday 23rd October as there is a deadline for sending the designs to the printing company.

This week, the PTA has agreed to fund some big improvements to the school playground. This will see additional resources being made available to your children and help to create a warm, welcoming environment for them to enjoy playing in. I look forward to you seeing these plans come to fruition in the next half term.

Year 6 parents

Year 6 parents and carers are reminded to complete the secondary school preference form for your child. This must be completed by 31st October. Please visit

<https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/apply-place-primary-or-secondary-school>

Harvest Festival

Sadly, we are not able to hold a celebration in church as a whole school community as we typically do. Instead, on Friday 23rd October, a Harvest Festival Celebration will be held in each class for the children. They will be supported by their class teacher to remember how fortunate we are for the food available to us.

Whilst there are struggles in every family, there has been an increase in the number of families accessing food parcels from the Rainbow Centre in Scarborough. Therefore, once again, we will be happy to collect any items you are able to donate at this time and we will deliver them to the Rainbow Centre. Please bring any donations to school on Friday 23rd and a collection point will be available.

Personal hygiene

Please support your child to understand the need for good personal hygiene routines. These routines must include regular (at least twice daily) teeth cleaning, regular body cleaning in a shower/bath, shampoo and conditioning and combing hair.

Maintaining good personal hygiene routines is especially important as children grow and develop. School does all it can to support all children to understand the need for good personal hygiene and is asking you to support your child at home too.

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