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Newsletter

Friday 2nd October, 2020

This week we held the first of our parents' evenings and these will continue next week. It is reassuring to hear your support of our school and your commitment to supporting your child's learning at home. School will continue to share ideas with you that can be implemented at home to support your child's academic progress.

After school clubs were put on hold to allow parents' evenings to take place. These will re-start from Monday 12th October. Mrs Roberts will send a text reminder to parents and carers. These clubs have proven popular so far this year, but there is space for any child (Rec-Year 6) at all clubs. Please contact the school office to sign up to a club, if you haven't already done so.

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Year 6 parents

Parents of Year 6 pupils have until 31st October to complete the secondary school application form for your child. You must complete this online using the link below. Local secondary schools are currently planning virtual tours and we will forward details of these to you once we receive them.

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

Saturday 17th October

The PTA has organised a sponsored litter pick around the village of Snainton. This is an excellent opportunity to do something positive in our local village and to help further develop the children's understanding of helping to care for our environment. School encourages all children to participate in this event and hope that sponsorship can be forthcoming to support PTA funds. Please return all sponsor money to school by Friday 23rd October (half term). PTA has completed a full risk assessment (including Covid-19 safety measures) to ensure the event is safe for all participants.

Dates for the diary

5th October - Robbie Hawkes PE

6th October – Virtual Science
Assembly in classrooms with Mad Science

7th October - Flu immunisations

12th October - Robbie Hawkes PE
for Maple and Silver Birch

16th October - Forest School

17th October – PTA Litter Pick

23rd October - Break up for half term

2nd November – staff training day

3rd November – pupils return to school

9th November - Robbie Hawkes PE

11th November – Remembrance Day

13th November – Forest School

16th November - Robbie Hawkes PE

23rd November - Robbie Hawkes PE

27th November – Forest School

30th November - Robbie Hawkes PE for Maple and Silver Birch

7th December - Robbie Hawkes PE

11th December – Forest School

14th December - Robbie Hawkes PE

18th December – Break up for Christmas

5th January 2021 – pupils return to school

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Children's University

Children's University is organised by the University of Hull, Scarborough Campus. It is an excellent opportunity for all children in Key Stage 2 to engage with learning opportunities in the local area. Learning hours can be collected for a wide range of activities with many of them being completely free. Year 3 children will have received their packs this week and can sign up to receive their personal learning passport. If any other children in Key Stage 2 would like a new application form, please contact the school office. If children are already registered, there is no need to complete a new application.

Parent consultations

In the last newsletter I asked for your feedback on 2 proposals following parental feedback in your questionnaires in July. One was a proposal for an extension to wrap around care to include an after school club. The second was a proposal for a full day offer in nursery at least once per week.

Your feedback suggests that there is currently no demand for an after school club. If this is suggested in the future, school will consider this again at that time.

There is some demand for a full day in nursery. Currently, the school bursar is completing a cost analysis of this proposal to enable governors to make an informed decision on any potential changes. School will update you again once a decision can be agreed.

Water bottles

Children and staff have noticed that we are producing a large amount of plastic waste with the current arrangements for bottled water in school. Therefore, from Monday, your child may bring a water container from home to be placed at their individual work place in class. This can be re-filled in school and cleaned as part of the regular sanitising procedures in place already in school.

Attendance matters

Overall attendance this academic year is 96.48%. However, with absence due to self-isolation removed from this figure, our overall attendance for the whole school is 99.1%. Well done to everyone as this is outstanding.

We have more than 15 of our pupils that have maintained 100% attendance this academic year – congratulations to each of you.

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