

Snainton Church of England Primary School

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Newsletter

Friday 6th November, 2020

Next week, our school will be featured on BBC Radio York Breakfast Show each morning as their 'School of the Week'. Please tune in to hear about school life and feel free to share this with your friends and family.

School is in the process of writing a new Healthy Eating Policy. In the meantime, please ensure you select items for packed lunches that form part of a healthy, nutritious diet. Our new policy will outline the expectations in more detail and we hope to be able to share it with you as soon as possible.

There are still 14 children with 100% attendance this year. Well done to each of you on a fantastic attendance so far this term.

Our overall attendance as a whole school is 97.07%. This is outstanding in any year, but with all things considered this year, it is an exceptional achievement. Please continue to support school by reporting all absences and symptoms of Covid-19 to the school office as soon as possible.

Governor updates

Governors have worked with the Headteacher to produce a brochure to help promote our school. We are delighted to provide you with a copy that you can share with family and friends. Recently, school has received multiple enquiries from parents and carers looking for a place for their child. These enquiries have been based on conversations with our current parents/carers. It is pleasing to hear that you feel confident to recommend our school to your family and friends and we hope that this brochure will help you to do that in a visual way.

One of the ways that governors are working to secure a strong future for our school is by planning to encourage an increase in pupil numbers. We know that greater numbers of pupils will positively impact on the school budget as well as enhancing our whole school community even further. It is important to us that all members of our school community are given every possible opportunity to flourish.

We thank you for your support and we, as governors, remain committed to the school.

Carol Olivier (Chair of Governors)

Dates for the diary

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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Funding updates

School has been successful in securing funding from Snainton Common Rights Trust Fund. This small charity has generously agreed to fund 2 new laptops for use in school. These additional laptops will also be available to be loaned to families without a laptop at home in case of a future school closure. These have already been delivered and we look forward to a technician setting them up for school use.

We have also received a very kind donation from our local County Councillor David Jeffels. David is always very interested to hear about the developments in our school and has agreed to fund another laptop to help improve our IT facilities.

We are very thankful to both Snainton Common Rights Trust Fund and Councillor David Jeffels for their very generous support of our school.

We are always searching for new funding opportunities and welcome your ideas if you hear of any available grants, sponsorship and other fundraising ideas.

Children's University

Children in Silver Birch Class are able to sign up to the University of Hull's Children's University. We are pleased to share a range of free activities that will count towards your child's learning hours in the coming weeks.

Please could all Passports be in school before Monday 16th November so that we can update learning hours. You do not need to complete all your learning before then, it is an opportunity for us to discuss their learning hours with each child.

PTA

On Saturday 17th October, the PTA organised a very successful sponsored litter pick around Snainton. There was a very good turn out and a large amount of rubbish collected. Local residents appreciated the efforts of everyone involved and sponsorship has raised over **£490** for PTA funds. This is truly remarkable! Thank you, and well done, to everyone that took part. Some individuals raised over £100 so a special thank you to each of you for your dedication to raising funds in support of our PTA.

Following the decision of the PTA to fund new playground improvements, school has placed many orders. We are starting to receive these items and look forward to them transforming the school playground. We hope the children really enjoy their new environment. Thank you to the PTA for their dedication to improving the facilities for all your children.

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