





"Outstanding Together"

Newsletter 13/01/2023

Dear Families and Friends,

Phoebe Update

Thank you again for your continued support and understanding with regards to my work arrangements over the last two weeks. My wife and I are deeply touched by your response and will not forget this following this challenging period. I must also take this opportunity to thank the rest of the staff team for their response and seamless adaptability over the last fortnight. They have allowed the school to have a 'business as usual' feel over the last fortnight, which is very reassuring.

I am pleased to say that we have been able to return to Yorkshire this week, albeit to Wakefield. This has allowed me to more easily work in school for parts of the week whilst also managing to travel to care for Phoebe and my wife, as well as work remotely during the parts of the week I am not in school. Phoebe continues to make good progress and, whilst she is doing so, will allow me to continue to fulfil most of my normal roles and responsibilities, albeit in a different way. I am, therefore, still contactable throughout the week via e-mail and via the school office, so please do not hesitate to get in touch.



Key Stage 2 Trip

On Friday 20th January, our Key Stage 2 children will be attending their rearranged trip to York. Children should arrive at <u>Lealholm School at 8am</u> in school uniform with a coat. Please ensure you have completed the consent form and indicated if you would like a packed lunch provided by school by Monday 16th January. You can do so through this link: https://forms.office.com/e/wUPG3tLw24
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Art Club

There will be no after school Art Club next week (Tuesday 17th January).

School Menu Change

Please note that there will be a change to the lunch menu next week.

Monday Mac & Cheese

Tuesday Battered Fish with Chips Wednesday Mince Beef with Dumplings

Thursday Cheeseburger with Potato Wedges

Friday Sweet & Sour Chicken with Egg Fried Rice

Chinese Raspberry Snowflake Cake & Custard

Snow Forecast

There has been snow forecast for next week. We will aim to update you as soon as possible if there are any changes to the school day as a result of staff not being able to travel safely to/from school.

Curriculum Overview

Attached to this newsletter is the curriculum overviews for both of our classes. We hope you find it interesting and useful to know what your child is learning in school. We know many of you like to know this so that you can discuss your child's learning at home.

Termly Reports

This week, for children in Year 2-6, you should have received an overview of your child's attendance and assessment information from last term. This is a new system we are trialling following feedback from parents last term who said they would like to have a short termly report alongside the usual parents' evening feedback. We hope you find this informative. We aim to produce an updated version of this report in April, as well as including a report for children in Year 1.

Questionnaire

Our parental questionnaire will close at the end of next week, after which we will share the responses, feedback and any planned changes. If you have not completed this, you can do so by following this link: https://forms.gle/bqnddHxCSyuqTN4Z8

NSPCC – Virtual Reality Headsets and Staying Safe Online Advice

This year, one of the most popular Christmas toys was virtual reality (VR) headsets. The NSPCC have released guidance on how you can keep your child safe online, including when they use these headsets. https://www.nspcc.org.uk/about-us/news-opinion/2022/christmas-vr-safety-advice-for-parents-metaverse/

Have a great weekend,

Mr Cooper

<u>Awards</u>

Explorers: Jake - for excellent ideas and a brilliant job of sharing his story from home

Adventurers: Piper – for outstanding contribution to English

Attendance: This week's attendance was 97.6% which is significantly above the national average of 94%

- well done!

Our attendance this year is: 93.6%

Headteacher timetable for next week	
Monday	Glaisdale all day
Tuesday	Hospital (contactable via e-mail and school office)
Wednesday	Castleton all day
Thursday	Hospital (contactable via e-mail and school office)
Friday	KS2 York Trip (both schools)

<u>Term Dates – 2022 / 2023</u>

- Half Term Monday 24 October to Friday 28 October
- Staff Training Day Friday, 9 December
- Last day of Autumn Term Friday 16 December
- First day of Spring Term Tuesday 3 January 2023
- Half Term Monday 13 February to Friday 17 February
- Staff Training Day Friday, 24 March
- Last day of Spring Term Friday 31 March
- First day of Summer Term Monday 17 April
- Bank Holiday Monday 1 May
- Bank Holiday Monday 8 May
- Half Term Monday 29 May to Friday 2 June
- Last day of Summer Term Monday 24 July

Training days for staff when the children will not be in school are as follows:

Friday 9 December Friday 24 March 2023 Tuesday 25 July

Future Dates

January

18th: Gymnastics Event at Eskdale School

20th: KS2 York Trip

24th: Parents' reading afternoon

February

10th: Year 3/4 Gymnastics at Eskdale School

10th: End of half-term

24th: Year 3/4 Hockey Coaching

March

7th: Year 3/4 Hockey Tournament

14th: Straws Cup – Football Competition (4-6pm)

15th: Cross-country event

17th: Red Nose Day 24th: Training Day 31st: End of Term