





"Outstanding Together"

Newsletter 10/03/2023

Dear Families and Friends,

School Day Extension Trial - Summer Term

As discussed in previous newsletters and following the last parental survey, the school will be trialling a new finish time of 3.30pm after the Easter holiday. This is to move the school in-line with the government requirement to provide a 32.5-hour day by September 2023. We welcome any feedback you may have on this once it begins.

The start time will remain the same with children being dropped off from 8.50am, ready for a 9am start to the school day. Any arrivals after 9am will be marked as late.

All clubs will continue to run for 1-hour, finishing at 4.30pm, unless otherwise stated.

School Meals

Next week, we will not, unfortunately, have access to a cook on site, due to Mrs Marshall's continued absence and no relief cook being available. Therefore, hot meals will be provided by Lealholm School and transported to us. We apologise for any inconvenience this causes. We are in discussions with NYCC County Caterers to provide an on-site cook for future weeks until Mrs Marshall's return.

Parent Advocates

We are looking for a small group of parents to help advocate, celebrate and advertise our school, spreading the word that Glaisdale is a great place to send your child. We feel that our school has a lot to offer, however, as you are aware, our pupil numbers have dwindled in recent years, meaning that, in the future, we may need to alter how we run and staff our school – something we are keen to avoid.

Therefore, we are looking for some parents to help spread the word about Glaisdale, so that other parents may consider this when deciding on schooling. This should not take a huge amount of time or effort – it may be as simple as sharing/liking posts on social media, so we can reach a larger audience. If you are interested in knowing how you can support and advocate the school, please get in touch with Mr Cooper (via the school gate, telephone or e-mail: headteacher.cg@yeat.co.uk).

Poverty Proofing

We recognise that the cost of living crisis affects people in different ways. To help us better understand the impact of this (and other financial hardships), Yorkshire Endeavour Academy Trust has commissioned a poverty proofing audit of the school. This will involve two trained auditors visiting the school to help us understand how we can reduce the impact of school related costs on those suffering financial

hardship. This process will involve a questionnaire for parents (which was sent out this week), staff and governors, as well as informal conversations with children. We hope to share the findings of this after Easter, alongside any immediate actions we will take to reduce financial burden on parents/students.

Upcoming Training Day

Please note that Friday 24th March 2023 is a staff training day and school will be closed to students. Our staff will be using this day in a variety of ways (depending on their job role) including: planning for summer term; language acquisition training; leadership conferences and health and safety training.

Red Nose Day

Next week, we will be celebrating Red Nose Day by holding a wear something red day. There is a suggested voluntary donation of £1 for this.

Parents' Evenings

You are now able to book your parents' evening appointment via MCAS. These take place on several dates over the last two weeks of term.

Have a great weekend,

Mr Cooper

Attendance: This week's attendance was **90.2%** which is below the national average of 93.8%.

Our attendance this year is: 93%

Stars of the Week:

Explorers: Jasmine – for a brilliant attitude, perseverance and resiliency, especially with her spelling and handwriting!

Adventurers: James – for a fantastic mystery story and all round attitude!

ENDEAVOUR FUN CLUB FREE EASTER FEAST SESSIONS

The Endeavour Fun Club is hosting free Easter feast sessions for those children who are eligible for benefit related free school meals. Each child is eligible for a free session per day (4hr session). All food and snacks included.

Our bookings are now open for the following Feast sessions.

Mon 3rd April 9-1 or 1-5

Tues 4th April 9-1 or 1-5

Wed 5th April 9-1 or 1-5

Thur 6th April 9-1 or 1-5

Tues 11th April 9-1or 1-5

Wed 12th April 9-1or 1-5

Thur 13th April 9-1or 1-5

Fri 14th April 9-1 or 1-5

Qualifying children will have been allocated their codes.

Please head over to the Feast website for more details or to check if you qualify. Please ring 07974974033 or 07795314255 to book.

<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

Term Dates - 2023/24

- Staff Training Day Monday 4th September 2023
- Staff Training Day Tuesday 5th September 2023
- First day of Autumn Term Wednesday 6th September 2023
- Half Term Monday 30th October to Friday 3rd November 2023
- Staff Training Day Friday 15th December 2023
- Last day of Autumn Term Friday 22nd December 2023
- First Day of Spring Term Monday 8th January 2024
- Half Term Monday 12th February to Friday 16th February 2024
- Staff Training Day Friday 15th March 2024
- Last day of Spring Term Friday 22nd March 2024
- First day of Summer Term Monday 8th April 2024
- Bank Holiday Monday 6th May 2024
- Half Term Monday 27th May to Friday 31st 2024
- Staff Training Day Friday 12th July 2024
- Last day of Summer Term Monday 22nd July 2024

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

Friday 15 December 2023

Friday 15 March 2024

Friday 12 July 2024

Future Dates

March

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

15th: Cross-country event

17th: Red Nose Day

21st: Parents Evening (Adventurers only)

24th: Training Day

30th: Parents Evening (Adventurers and Explorers)

31st: End of Term

April

17th: Children return to school

20th: Birds on the Edge Project Launch

May

1st: Bank Holiday

8th: Bank Holiday

9-12th: Year 6 SATs Week

26th: End of half-term

June

Year 4 times table check takes place this month

5th: Children return to school

12th: Phonics screening week (Year 1)

July

6/7th: Year 6 Edinburgh Trip

10-14th: Whitby secondary school transition week

18th: Year 6 Crucial Crew visit (TBC)

24th: YEAT Sports Festival at Whitby Town FC

24th: School finishes for summer holidays