

# Pickering Community Infant & Nursery School

## School Newsletter

Newsletter No 4

20th October 2017



### Standards and Expectations

We are always incredibly proud of our children. They work very hard both in and out of school. We are always keen to share in children's achievements out of school and so please bring any certificates, rosettes or photos of things that your child has accomplished or achieved. We are looking forward to sharing information about how children have settled into school during parents evenings on 8th and 9th Nov.

In the past, parents have asked about the expectations of children in terms of achievement at the end of the year. In response to this, we have produced expectations booklets for Year One and Two. As parents and carers know, our children are all unique individuals who learn in different rates and in different ways. Children will therefore not all reach the same level at the same time. Class teachers will share next steps for each of the children in their learning journey at parents evening.

### Handouts:

- ✿ November/ December Diary Sheet
- ✿ Bus children only—collection letter
- ✿ Lexia Club letter—individual children only

### Emails:

- ✿ Y2 End of Year Standards
- ✿ Y1 End of Year Standards
- ✿ Leave of Absence letter
- ✿ NSPCC Assembly letter

### Attendance News:



**Two Weeks—2nd to 13th October**  
**Congratulations to Hedgehog Class**





## Registering for School

Do you have a toddler or know of anyone that does?

Are they registered with us for a Nursery/School place? If it is your/their intention for your/their child to attend our school, please make sure that they are registered as this helps us with future plans. This is particularly important if your child was born between :

01/09/14—31/08/15 for Nursery place September 2018

01/09/13—31/08/14 for School place September 2018

Current Nursery parents please don't forget to complete your on line application for your child's place in Reception for September 2018

## Unwelcome Visitors

We have seen a worrying increase in the instances of young people trespassing on our school premises in our forest school area, in our foundation stage playgrounds and on the school roof. The wilful damage that they are causing when doing this is also increasing.

We know that the vast majority of young people in our community are

respectful of the property of others but I would ask that all parents remind their children that what this minority group are doing is firstly illegal but also incredibly dangerous. We are working closely with other local schools on this matter and would ask that any parent who has any information about who might be involved, please let their school know.

Any information shared will be treated with sensitivity but will help us in dealing with this matter. The Community Police Officers will be increasing their patrols to support us with this and would welcome any information about any people spotted on any of the school sites that should not be there. If you notice anything when walking past, calling 101 is the best way to report this.

## Is your child entitled to free milk?

We use the Cool Milk scheme to offer parents of Year One and Two children the option to buy milk at playtime for their children. However, if your child is entitled to additional school funding, through Pupil Premium funding, then you could receive this for free.

Some of our Pupil Premium funding is

used to pay for milk for eligible children as well as pay for additional support in and out of class with learning and emotional support, as necessary, to pay for children who are eligible for this funding for places at Art Club and Forest Schools Club.

If you would like to check whether your child is eligible for Pupil Premium funding then please speak to staff in the school office or have a look at the details on the form attached. There are printed copies of these forms outside the office.

### Leeds Abbey Dash

A huge thank you to everyone who has sponsored our staff team through Just Giving in their 10K run on 5th November in aid of Bliss. If anyone would like to donate but would prefer not to do so on line, then please send any donation into

the school office in an envelope labelled Bliss.

### Children in Need

For this years 'Spotacular' for Children in Need, children will be invited to bring a teddy bear and a small donation in exchange for a cake/bun that they can enjoy at a class teddy bear's picnic.

### Safety

Our first week back after half term will be Safety Week and we will be discussing safety from lots of different perspectives. One worrying issue that has been brought to our attention though is a couple of our children who are playing in the roads close to their homes and not moving out of the way of on coming cars. I would urge all parents to remind their children of your usual safe playing and road safety rules.

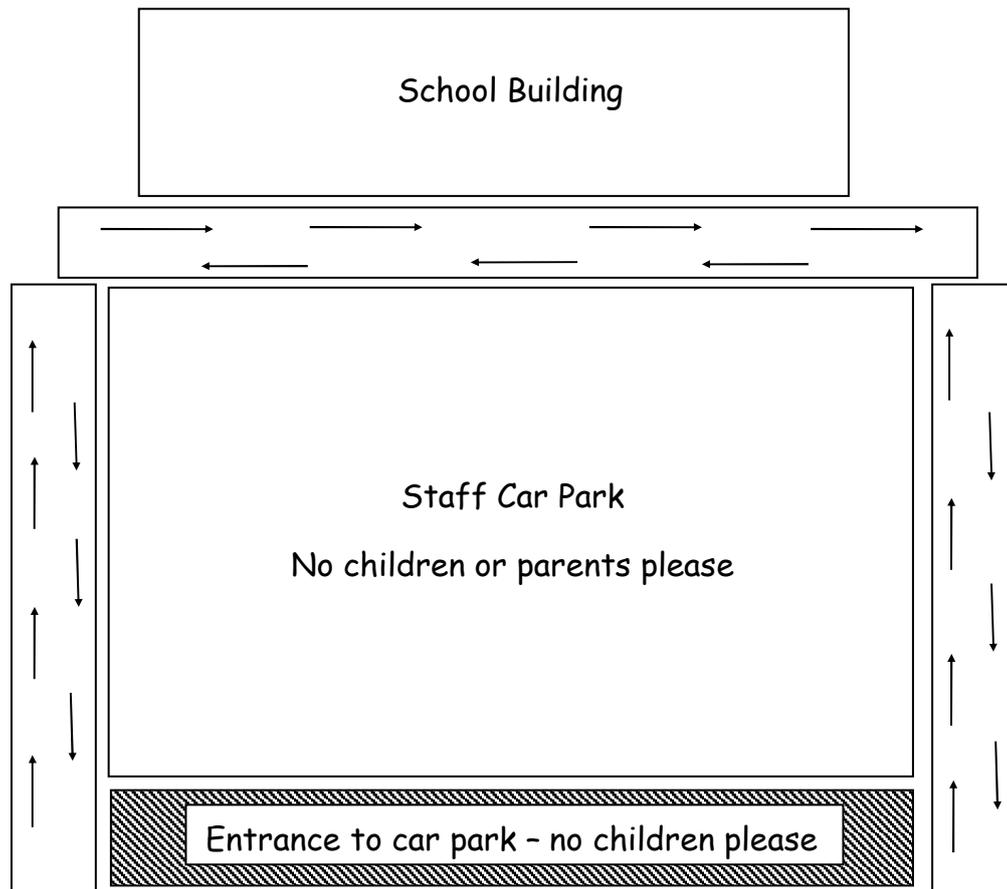
*Your support for your child's education is crucial to their progress. Please let us know if there is any adjustments we need to make to help you support your child, for example: letters in large font; letters in different languages; wheelchair access; explaining things over the phone.*

*Spare newsletters are available in the rack outside the office, together with term time dates, holiday forms, uniform order forms*

*Tel: 01751 472620      email: [admin@pickering--inf.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@pickering--inf.n-yorks.sch.uk)*

*For attendance/absences - [admin2@pickering-inf.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin2@pickering-inf.n-yorks.sch.uk)*

## Safe School Access



The safety of our pupils is paramount and that is why we ask that parents do not walk across the car park at drop off times but rather use the paths to the right and left of the car park (as above). The reason for this arrangement is that some of our staff arrive between 8.45 and 9am and leave between 3.20 and 3.30pm. They are always vigilant and ensure that there are no children behind them as they reverse, but to minimise the risk I would stress the importance of using the paths.

## Community News

Family Cinema Potter Hill Chapel, Saturday 11th November 6.30pm

'Planes 2'

### Pickering Library—Half Term Events

Monday 23rd October 'Spooky Science' 2-3pm £2 (space limited)

Fun messy workshop, making slime and stripy water and more....

Friday 27th October Mouse Pirate Story Time 10.11am

Meet Wilfred and Parrot. There will be a treasure hunt with clues laid out in the library. Come dressed as a pirate or in an Halloween costume

For further details contact Pickering Library 01609 533624 or email [pickering.library@northyorks.gov.uk](mailto:pickering.library@northyorks.gov.uk)