

# Pickering Community Infant & Nursery School

## School Newsletter No 4

19th October 2018



### Autumn and Harvest

These two weeks have been filled with children enjoying learning about Autumn and harvest. Thank you to everyone who has made donations to our harvest collection for Ryedale foodbank—these will all be gratefully received. It was lovely to see so many members of our school community join us for yesterday's harvest festival which was a chance to reflect on how lucky we are with the food that we eat.

### Nut free school!

I'm sure you will be aware from the signs around school that we are a 'nut free' school. Autumn time is a time when children like to gather things they find on the ground and this can include nuts. After a serious anaphylaxis reaction in school due to a nut being brought in as part of children's enthusiasm around Autumn, please can I urge parents to be extra vigilant with what their child collects and brings into school.

With one week before half term, this will be the last newsletter of this half term. May I take this opportunity to wish our whole school community a restful and fun filled half term break.

Handouts

Email:

Hard copies:

- ✿ Nov/Dec  
Diary Sheet
- ✿ Club letters
- ✿ Bus children  
only letter

## School Caretaker

North Yorkshire County Council are currently looking for a caretaker for our school. This is a great opportunity for someone with the right skills to be part of our school community. Please see the link below for further details.

[https://atsv7.wcn.co.uk/search\\_engine/jobs.cgi?SID=amNvZGU9MTc1MjA4MyZvd25lcj01MDUwMDE3Jm93bmVydHlwZT1mYWlyJnBvc3RpbmdfY29kZT00MjgmdnRfdGVtcGxhdGU9MTE5Nw](https://atsv7.wcn.co.uk/search_engine/jobs.cgi?SID=amNvZGU9MTc1MjA4MyZvd25lcj01MDUwMDE3Jm93bmVydHlwZT1mYWlyJnBvc3RpbmdfY29kZT00MjgmdnRfdGVtcGxhdGU9MTE5Nw)

## Exciting news!



A few weeks ago Miss Holburn and her partner 'tied the knot' in a small ceremony. She is now Mrs McDine and we are delighted for them both. The whole school wishes them many years of happiness together.

## Parents' Evenings

Thank you to all those parents who have already signed up for a parents' evening slot for the week commencing 5th November. It is really important that we have the chance to catch up face to face about your child in school so please make sure that you take this opportunity.

## Poppies

Children across the school have been busy making poppies to be part of a display at St Peter's and St Paul's church. These will be on display at the church as part of 1000 hand made poppies on 11.11.18.



Here is a picture of Nursery's poppies so far!

## Attendance

Good attendance and punctuality are important to a child's success in all aspects of school life. It has an impact on progress and achievement as well as friendships. Thank you to all of those parents who ensure that they arrive at school on time every day – it is always trickier on cold, wet mornings but almost all of our children arrive on time, prepared to learn, every day!

A quick checklist of reminders:

- 🔔 Telephone school on the first day of your child's absence
- 🔔 Ensure that your contact details are up to date in case we need to contact you in an emergency or for information
- 🔔 Be firm with your child about their attendance
- 🔔 Try to arrange appointments out of school time
- 🔔 If problems persist then do not hesitate to contact us to discuss them

### Lateness

**Arriving late to school may cause difficulties for your child**

- ☹ Missing important information about the day in registration
- ☹ It may be embarrassing to walk into a lesson that has already

started

- ☹ Missing even part of a lesson can be difficult to catch up on
- ☹ It can affect behaviour and self-esteem

**If your child is late or going to be late:**

- ☹ Contact us and let us know why
- ☹ Take your child to their classroom and then sign the late book afterwards
- ☹ Come and see us if you have any difficulties

***Lateness and absence is checked weekly by the Headteacher***

*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)*

## Reminders .....

October Birthday Assembly 9.10 Friday 26th October  
School Closes for October half term Friday 26th October  
Re-Opens 8.50am Monday 5th November 2018



## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### JUNIOR RANGERS

Down on the Farm

Wednesday 31st Oct 2018

Scarecrow making, farm walks and indoor crafts

Activities aimed at 4-11 year olds

£7.50 per child for the day (10am-3pm)

For more information visit [www.howardianhills.org.uk](http://www.howardianhills.org.uk)

