

Pickering Community Infant & Nursery School

School Newsletter No 13

13th March 2020



Sing Up Day 2020

What a wonderful afternoon we had on Tuesday for our school community assembly and on Wednesday in school taking part in Sing Up Day 2020. Sing Up Day started in 2010 and is a day to celebrate the power of song and to spread a little singing.

The theme of the song "There's a Power in the Music" this year celebrates how singing with others can support our mental health and well-being.

Mrs Durant led our assembled singers to create a quodlibet of three songs sung simultaneously, which we hope that people have had a chance to listen to on Facebook and Twitter. A huge thank you to her for her dedication in pulling this event together! And the participation from our family and friends in the audience was amazing! Our Mini Sing Squad and Pickering Junior School Sing Squad did a fabulous job showing one of their favourite songs.



Handouts

Hard copies:

- ✿ Common Childhood Diseases leaflet

Parentmail attachments:



- ✿ Spring Bunny Drive poster
- ✿ Common Childhood Diseases leaflet
- ✿ NSPCC Assembly Letter
- ✿ Titanic Diorama- Parent Workshop — Year 2 only



Congratulations to Ladybird Class
91.4% attendance for two weeks 2nd
March to 13th March 2020



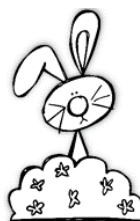
Dates to remember

- 📅 **Tuesday 17th March** - Year 1 and 2 Bike Day—Don't forget to bring your set of wheels to the Reception playground! 
- 📅 **Wednesday 18th March**—Nursery Phonics Workshop
4.30pm-5.30pm
First of four spring crafts sessions
3.40-5pm
- 📅 **Thursday 19th March**—Nursery and Reception Bike Day—Don't forget to bring your set of wheels to the Reception playground! 
- 📅 **Wednesday 25th March**—Islam workshops.
Parents are welcome to attend (see details further down)
- 📅 **Thursday 26th March**—Spring Lunch as well as Games night for parents 4pm-5pm.
- 📅 **Friday 27th March 9.10am** - March Birthday Assembly

Updating Details

It is essential that we have the correct personal details for all of our children. These include any change to your address, phone numbers,

emergency contacts and medical details. Thank you to everyone who has already returned the completed forms recently sent out. If you require more forms please collect them from the office.



Spring Bunny Drive

On Tuesday 31st March the Friends of Pickering Infant School will be holding their annual Spring Bunny Drive. This is similar to a beetle drive but with a Spring theme.

The children will have had the opportunity in school to make their own headband to be brought to the event in exchange for a small prize! Every headband will be entered into the competition for the best Spring headband. Doors open at 5.15pm with the bunny drive due to start at 5.30pm. Entry £1 per person including a complimentary drink

If you have never been to a beetle or bunny drive, don't worry, all will be explained on the night! Donations of raffles prizes would be gratefully received at the office.

World Book Day

A huge thank you to families for the effort that was put into costumes for

our World Book Day celebrations. It was an exciting day and lovely to be able to give the children the opportunity to share books with children from the Junior School.



Common Childhood Diseases

Following some recent queries from parents, it is felt that some information for parents about common childhood diseases and illnesses would be helpful. Your child will have a copy in their book bags of up to date guidance relating to common childhood diseases and what to look out for. However, these are in black and white. It has also been sent out via Parentmail email as a separate attachment to enable you to access this in colour too. Please ask staff at the office if you require a copy in larger print.

Islam Workshops

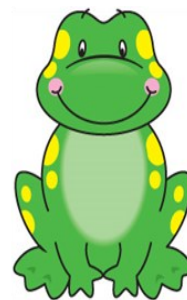
Some parents have shown interest in attending the Islam Workshops on 25th March so that they can develop their understanding of Islam too and hear what information has been shared with the children so that they can answer any questions that their children might have. Imran Kotwal is keen to have parents join us too and so parents are invited to join us for the class specific workshops (Year One and Two only) and/or for the parent session (parents of all children). Please sign up for class workshops outside classrooms from Monday.

9.40-10.25	Squirrel Class workshop
10.25-11.10	Hedgehog Class Workshop
11.15-12.00	Badger Class Workshop
1-1.45	Rabbit Class Workshop

If parents would like to join us for the parent session, with opportunities to ask questions, then please join us 2-3pm. Please come through the school office.

Thank you!

We would like to say a huge thank you to the Grandparents of Jake Cawthorne for very kindly donating a replacement school bell as ours has broken after many happy playtimes.



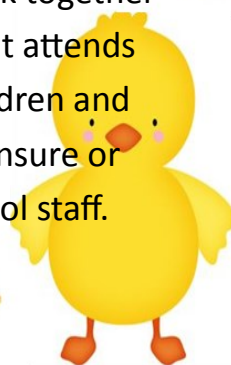
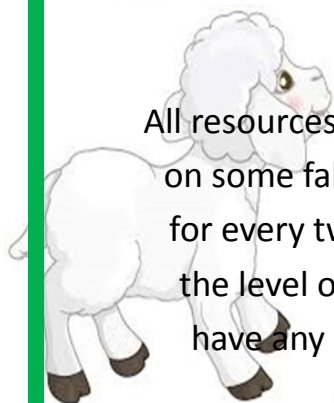
Free Family Learning Event

Run by North Yorkshire Adult Learning Services at Pickering Community Infant and Nursery School

These free sessions will run on Wednesday 18th March, Wednesday 25th March and Wednesday 1st April at school from 3.40-5pm. We hope that this will give enough time to collect children from Pickering Junior School before we start.

Drinks and snacks will be available from 3.20pm.

All resources will be provided for you and your child/children to work together on some fabulous craft activities. It is recommended that one adult attends for every two children in each family, depending on the age of children and the level of support that they might need to take part. If you're unsure or have any questions, please come and speak to a member of school staff.



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

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