

**Pickering Community Infant & Nursery School**  
**School Newsletter No 14**  
**12th April 2019**



**Be Active**

'Be Active' is one of the five ways to well-being. Mrs Goff will be focusing on this strand of well-being through one of our virtual assemblies each week for children in Year One and Two. She will be sharing some short videos of some of the mindfulness techniques that we have been working on in assembly with parents in the coming weeks. We hope that this will help children to use these at home as well as school. Children in Reception and Nursery will be looking at these in their classes.

Next week also sees the launch of 'The Big Pedal'. Dame Sarah Storey, British Paralympian, is fronting this year's competition for young people across the UK to compete with one another to make the most journeys by cycling, walking, scooting or using a wheelchair. We are hosting our competition week of The Big Pedal, week beginning 26th April when we will submit our data from the children for our chance to win prizes. We are asking as many families as possible to walk, scoot or cycle to school particularly during this week. We have our bike rack near the Reception and Nursery playground but will have bike and scooter parks for each class in the appropriate year group playgrounds for this week. Any bikes and scooters left at school will, as ever, be entirely at their owners' risk. Please ensure that your child wears a helmet if using bikes and scooters to come to school.

Continued over the page with details of families submitting their own information for a chance to win prizes.

**Handouts:**

- ✚ Multi Skills Club letter—Rabbits only
- ✚ Earth Day lunch invite—Thursday Nursery Packed lunch children only

**Emails:**

- ✚ Bag2School letter
- ✚ School Starters Parent Survey - Reception only
- ✚ Earth Day lunch invite—packed lunch children only



**Congratulations to Butterfly class with 98.6% attendance for the year so far**



## **Big Pedal continued**

Families can register too to enter their own data from 19th April with a chance to win prizes! They say that, 'The Big Pedal family competition gives parents and guardians the chance to win one of these three amazing prizes for their family. All they need to do is take a photo or a short video of their child(ren) taking part in Big Pedal between 19-30 April. Post it to Instagram, Facebook or Twitter, tag @Sustrans and use #BigPedalWin.'

More information is also available at <https://www.sustrans.org.uk/sign-up-to-receive-your-free-family-guide/>



## **Memorial Donations**

Following the bereavements of **Fiona Rose and Vanessa Thompson** in December and January we would like to add something to the school site in the memory of two well-loved members of our school community who contributed so much to it. What we add to our school will depend on available funds but we would like to complete a Pickering Infant School ethos collection of benches to accompany our 'Learning' one at the front of school by adding a 'Sharing' bench to the KS1 side and a 'Caring' bench to the FS side of school. We welcome donations through a Just Giving page for our Friends of School who are kindly supporting this project. This is now active and can be

accessed through the following link

[https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/pcmemory?utm\\_term=wam8kQKB6](https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/pcmemory?utm_term=wam8kQKB6)

A proportion of the donations will be donated to other charities who supported the staff through their illnesses.

## **Bag2School**

If you are clearing out cupboards and wardrobes, please put things to one side for our Bag2School collection on **Thursday 29th April 2021**. **Bag2School** have continued to develop their mission around sustainability by asking families to use their own bags (bags being donated, bin bags or bin liners) for donations. Bags will need to be left in the staff car park before 9am on the day.



## **Appointments**

We would like to ask that, wherever possible, any appointments for children are made for after school or during holidays rather than during the school day. We understand that this is sometimes not possible. In these cases, please let the office know so that they can ensure that lunch orders are correct and know when to expect the adult to collect your child. Please also let them have a copy of your child's appointment letter so that this can be recorded as authorised.

## School Lunches

Just a reminder that if parents are wanting children to move from packed lunch to school lunch or from school lunch to packed lunch, we need a weeks notice. This is due to the kitchen team having ordered or having to order sufficient food.

Our kitchen team provide a great variety of food for children to eat for lunch, which encourages them to try and taste

new foods for some children. We talk regularly to the children about needing to try things a number of times (up to 20!) before they might eat it.

Look out for details of upcoming themed lunch days this term, including 'Earth Day' on Thursday next week.



## Community News

Pickering Junior Cricket Club

Lots of fixtures scheduled for all teams

Training starts Saturday 24th April  
U9s & U11s 9-10am, U13s & U15s 10-11am  
come and join a friendly club, all welcome!  
Membership includes a free shirt  
online registration form can be found at  
<https://forms.gle/DZukikHAYDke87eh8>  
pickeringccjunior@gmail.com

***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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