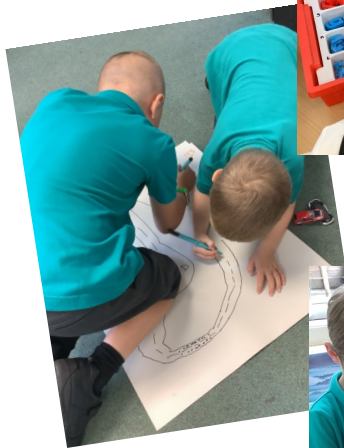


Pickering Community Infant & Nursery School
School Newsletter No 2
27th September 2021



A busy start to the year!

It's hard to believe that we are already three weeks into a busy autumn term. After an industrious few weeks settling children in, all children have now started school! Take a look at some of the things that the children have already been busy with...



Thank you to everyone for your continued support and flexibility as we work together to adapt and make changes in these challenging times.



Attendance News

Congratulations to Rabbit Class for 93.9 % attendance for the first part of the Autumn term.



Individual School Photos



The school photographers will be in school on Monday 27th September. All the children have an individual photograph taken. The children will bring home a small proof of their photograph(s) with details of how to place an order, however you are under no obligation to buy. Unfortunately, this year we will not be able to accommodate photographs being taken with siblings within school.

Change to calendar

Please note that, due to the additional bank holiday in June 2022 for the Queen's Jubilee, there will be an additional training day on Monday 6th June. School will be **closed** to children on this day.

Sponsored Bounce

The total raised from the Summer sponsored bounce was an amazing £1570.05. A huge **THANK YOU** to everyone who was able to contribute.



Flu Vaccinations in School

For Reception Y1 and Y2

If you haven't already registered for your child to have the flu vaccination in school but wish to do so, please complete the online consent form at www.hdft.nhs.uk/fluconsent entering the secure school code: 121363 as soon as possible.

The vaccination team will be coming into school on **Tuesday 19th October**

for the children whose parents have opted for the vaccination.

Birthday Assembly



The celebration assembly for children who have had their birthday during the month of September will be **TODAY** Friday 24th September at **2.40pm**. Family of the birthday children only are invited to join us to celebrate their child's birthday in school. If we can ask parents to wait at the gate to the Eastwing playground, to the right of the school building as you come up the path. As most parents are not usually in our school building on a regular basis, if you are happy to wear a face mask it would be appreciated.

Parents have enquired whether they would be allowed to bring a treat for children in their child's class for their child's birthday. There is no expectation that you will share anything with the class. However, if you would like to then this is ok at the moment. We ask that you consider the following if you choose to send in food items to celebrate your child's birthday;

We teach the children that no food is bad for you if eaten in appropriate moderation and as part of a well-balanced diet. Treats like cake and chocolate are therefore ok to bring as an item for a birthday celebration.



We are a nut aware school, due to a member of our community having a severe allergy to a wide range of nuts including through transmission in the air. We therefore ask that any food that you send into school does not contain nuts. Some of our children

have other allergies and intolerances and may not be able to eat the treats that you have brought in. If you can let staff know beforehand that you are going to bring something in, they will try to make sure that they have something else available for these children so that all children can be included if they would like to be.

School Office

During afternoons there is only usually only one member of staff in the office. We ask for your patience in giving them time to answer the phone and door at these times. We have two phone lines and so your call may ring in the office but if the member of staff is away from their desk or on another line, they will not be able to answer straight away.

Earrings

Please try to ensure that your child doesn't wear earrings to school, particularly on their PE days. During PE, earrings must either be removed or covered with tape.

Fundraising



With an increase in online shopping following the necessary changes in society over the last eighteen months, now is a great time for our Friends of School (FOS) to capitalise on this. If you use Amazon, please use smile.amazon.co.uk instead. This is still

accessed using your usual Amazon account but, on this site you can select our charity as the one that you wish for donations generated by your purchases to be donated to. You can also generate funds for our FoS through easyfundraising.org.uk by registering and then shopping with a range of your usual retailers on line. Our charity name for both is Friends Of Pickering Infant and Nursery School.

Autumn Lunch Menu



Thursday 7th October is our whole school Autumn lunch where we invite children who usually bring a packed lunch to join us for a hot meal.

The menu on this day will be-

Margherita Pizza

Potato Smiles, Peas or Baked Beans

Upside Down Apple Slice & Ice Cream

Fresh Fruit

All dietary requirements will be catered for

Dates for your Diary

- ✍ **Monday 27th Sept**—Individual photographs
- ✍ **Thursday 7th Oct**—Autumn Lunch
- ✍ **Tuesday 19th Oct**—Flu Vaccinations in school
- ✍ **Friday 22nd Oct**—October Birthday assembly 9.10am

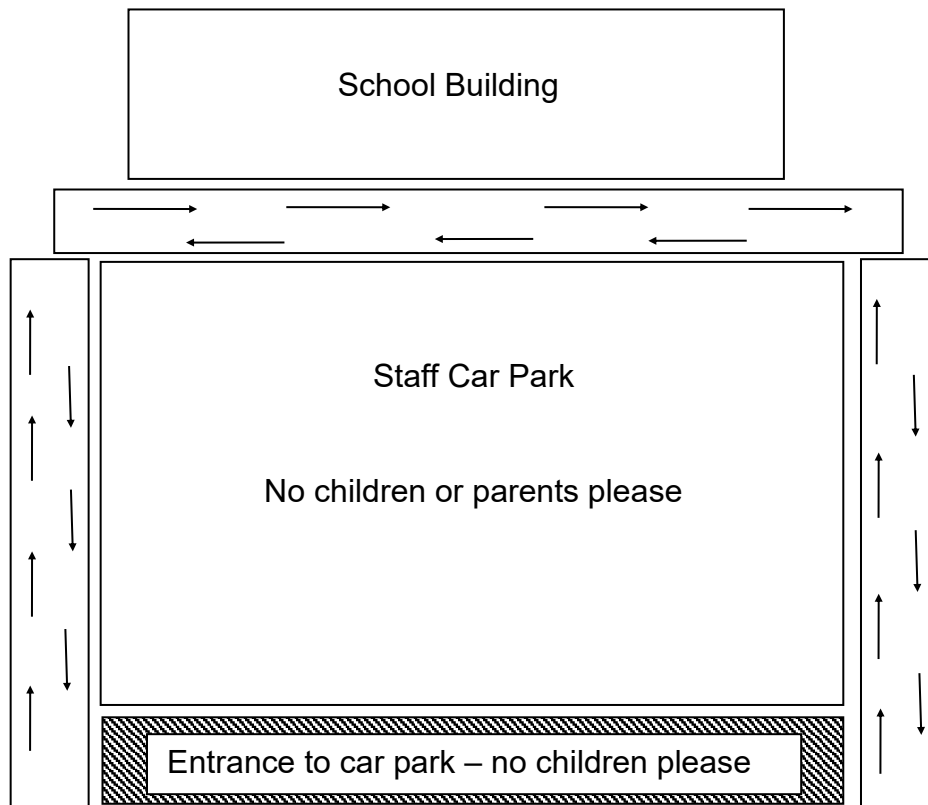
Your support for your child's education is crucial to their progress. Please let us know if there is any adjustments we need to make to help you support your child, for example: letters in large font; letters in different languages; wheelchair access; explaining things over the phone.

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

For attendance/absences - 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 3.40pm. 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.

Please could I also ask that parents do not let children climb on the grassed hill next to the car park. There is a steep drop at the other side of this.

It has been lovely to so many children arriving on scooters and bikes! Please ask your child to push these rather than ride them on school grounds as the paths can get busy and there are steep slopes leading directly to the road. There is a scooter and bike park at the entrance to the Reception playground where children are welcome to leave these during the day. These are left entirely at parents own risk.



Here at Raring2go! we've been busy bees researching things to do to keep the children busy for the Autumn season, with ideas such as preparing the garden for the Autumn, caring for Hedgehogs and having fun with some great outdoor activities, to name a few.

At present we're only producing a digital version of Raring2go! Yorkshire Coast and we would be really grateful if you wouldn't mind sharing the link of the magazine through your newsletters to your parents, so that they can read all about what's going on.

Here's the link for the Autumn edition... we hope you find it enjoyable and useful too!

<https://magazines.raring2go.co.uk/yorkshirecoast/autumn/>