

Pickering Community Infant & Nursery School

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Personal and Social Development

Personal Social and Emotional Development (PSED for Nursery and Reception) and Personal, Social, Health, Citizenship and Economic Education (PSHCE for Years One and Two) are important parts of the curriculum that we offer across school for our children. These cover a lot of topics, including online safety, emotions and relationships. Mrs Green has sent parents a letter as part of our relationships element of this area of the curriculum with some important information about our work linked to the NSPCC's PANTS campaign. Forest School continues to be an important part of work in PSHCE and PSED as are Mrs Goff's well-being assemblies. Mrs Goff has recently been working with our School Council to share some of the work from these assemblies. A link to this can be found at: [School Council Mindful Activities - YouTube](#)

Further information about well-being can be found on our school website.



Handouts

Hard copies :

- Access to School site information

Email:

- National Child Measurement Programme letter—Reception only
- Breakfast Club and After School Club Brochure
- PANTS—Letter to parents
- School crossing leaflet
- Early Help sessions for children & their families



Attendance

Congratulations to Hedgehog Class for achieving **97.8%** attendance for the first two weeks of the Spring term



Safeguarding Visit

Thank you to all those parents and carers who spared the time to talk to Christine Johnston last week. As well as talking to parents, she also spoke to staff in many different roles across school and to our children. The children did a fabulous job sharing all of the things that we have in place to keep them safe - they showed a great understanding! Well done to our volunteers in Years One and Two. Her feedback about our processes and procedures was very positive, which was a good reflection on the hard work that we all put into this area across our school community.

Parking

P We have recently received further complaints from our neighbours regarding parents parking across driveways and at road ends obstructing junctions during drop off and collection times. Whilst we know that parking on the streets around school can be difficult we do need to be considerate where our neighbours are concerned and ask that parents are considerate in their parking. Please remember that we have the parking permit system in place to help with this. For a charge of £5, an annual permit can be purchased for Eastgate car park for parking until 9.15am and between 3.15pm and 3.40pm during term time. Please contact the school office if you would like to purchase a permit for this year. Alternatively this can be accessed on our website under 'Parents' and 'Travelling to school'.

The staff car park in front of school is for staff only and must not be used by

parents to drop off or collect their children from school. There is strictly no stopping or parking in the bus lanes and parking tickets for offenders can be issued by parking wardens. It is essential these are clear at the start and end of the school day. In order to try and resolve this issue the local PCSO has been informed and will be regularly patrolling the area.

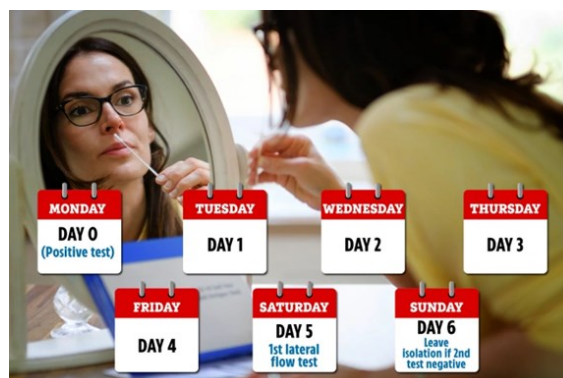
A huge **THANK YOU** to all of our parents who make use of this scheme or who ensure that they park safely and courteously around school.

Still Confused about Covid-19 Guidance?



From Monday 17 January, Government guidance states people with COVID-19 in England can end their self-isolation after 5 full days, as long as they test negative on day 5 and day 6.

- People self-isolating with COVID-19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative on both day 5 and day 6 and do not have a temperature, from Monday, 17 January
- Individuals who are still positive on their rapid lateral flow tests must stay in isolation until they have had 2 consecutive negative tests taken on separate days, 24 hours apart.





Breakfast Club and After School Club

As a school we recognise that the times of the school day don't always coincide well with the times of a working day. Over recent years we have established and built up our own Breakfast Club and After School Club provisions to help with this. If you feel that this is something that you would find helpful and would like to take advantage of, please take time to have a look at the brochure attached to find out more information. All bookings should be made through the office.



Birthday Assembly Dates

January Birthdays—Friday 28th
January 9.10am

February Birthdays—Friday 18th
February 9.10am

Parents of the birthday children are invited to celebrate their child's birthday in school



The Eco Council would like our help!

Our Eco Council have been discussing what the word recycle means and how recycling is one way of helping our environment and living things. As part of the Recycle 4 Charity campaign, Eco Council would like you to start saving used printer ink cartridges so these can be recycled by the charity. Each box of used ink cartridges will be sent to the charity and in return will raise money for our school resources. If you do have any



used ink cartridges (we cannot accept toners from large printers), please send these into school so that your child/ren can put them in the box near to our Eco-Council display board. This campaign will be running all year.



Ruffa Lane Crossing

How lucky we are to have our own crossing patrol right outside of our school gate! Please could I encourage you to use this designated crossing for the safety of your children and motorists alike, **ensuring that your child remains with you at the roadside until the crossing patrol indicates that she is ready for you to cross safely.** For helpful tips please see attached flyer.



Caretaker/Cleaner Vacancy

An opportunity has arisen within our school and North Yorkshire County Council are looking to appoint a caretaker/cleaner to work with our current team. If this is an area of interest please click on the link below for more information and how to apply. <https://nyccjobs.engageats.co.uk/Vacancies/W/3521/0/330078/19918/fsc104807-caretaker-2-pickering-infant-sch>



Communication



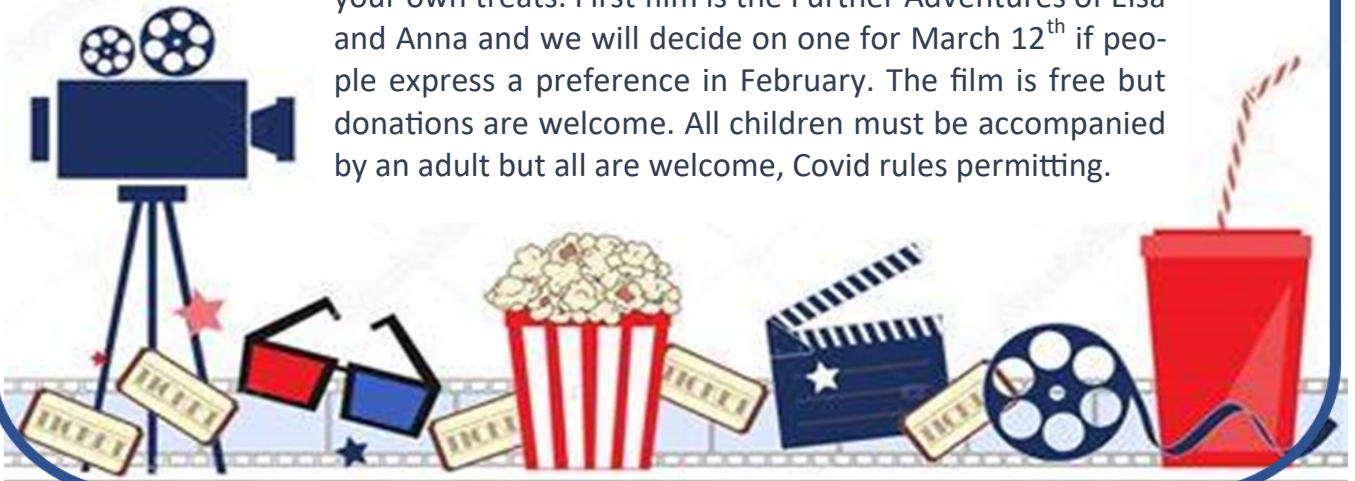
Please remember to keep checking Parent Mail for updates. We will also continue to use Facebook and Twitter for sharing information and celebrating learning at home and school across our community. Follow us at facebook.com/PickeringInfant and [@PickeringInfant](https://twitter.com/PickeringInfant) on Twitter

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Community News

Movie Time

The Family Cinema will be reopening on Saturday Feb 12th at the Methodist Church Hall. Film starts at 6pm with refreshments half way through but no tuck shop so bring your own treats. First film is the Further Adventures of Elsa and Anna and we will decide on one for March 12th if people express a preference in February. The film is free but donations are welcome. All children must be accompanied by an adult but all are welcome, Covid rules permitting.



THORNTON DALE SQUASH CLUB OPEN DAYS

SATURDAY 22nd & 29th JANUARY 2PM - 5PM

Did you know you can burn up to 500 calories in half an hour!

All ages welcome. Equipment can be provided.

We are a Community Amateur Sports Club

Email: thorntondalesquash@gmail.com

Address: The Hall, Chestnut Avenue, Thornton-le-Dale, YO18 7RR

GET FIT! COME PLAY SQUASH & RACKETBALL! IT'S FUN, IT'S FOR EVERYONE!

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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