

Pickering Community Infant & Nursery School

School Newsletter No 11

11th March 2022



A Busy Few Weeks!

We have had a very busy few weeks in school. As well as continuing work on our new theme of the North Yorkshire Moors, we have enjoyed events to celebrate World Book Day. The children in Nursery and Reception enjoyed a visit to the Memorial Hall to sing, stomp and clap along with a live orchestra as they played a journey through Europe!

We also enjoyed scooter day with Team Rubicon. Learning to push and glide was the key to success, instead of walking the scooter. The children participated brilliantly and safely!

This week and continuing next week the whole school have been working with Jonathan from the Educational Team at the Moors National Park Centre, Danby, focusing this week on animals and their habitats and next week Key Stage 1 will be doing a moorland walk session!

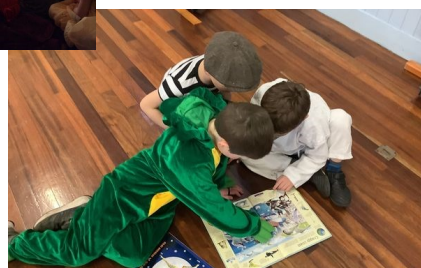
Handouts

Hard copies:

- ✚ Easter Lunch invite for packed lunch children

Email:

- ✚ Common Childhood Diseases leaflet
- ✚ Attendance, Punctuality and Leave brochure
- ✚ Sarah Ashworth School of Dance flyer
- ✚ Yorkshire Football Coaching flyer



Attendance News

Congratulations to Hedgehog Class for achieving 97.8% attendance during the first two weeks of the new half term.





Comic Relief

Friday 18th March is Comic Relief. This year's theme nationally is 'Calling all Superheroes'. On this day, we are asking staff and children to come in non-uniform in exchange for a donation to Comic Relief, where families are able. This year donations are to be made via the School's Comic Relief Just Giving page which can be accessed through the link below. We would therefore request that cash is not sent into school for this.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/pickeringinfantandnurseryschool>

Regardless of whether families are in a position to make a charitable donation at this time, we still encourage all children to come in non-uniform. This could be wearing a favourite outfit, dressing in red, dressing as a super hero or dressing in whatever you can find next Friday morning that is clean and ready to wear! Families do not need to buy anything specifically for this.

School Matters!



Attendance

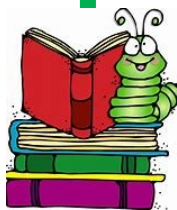
Punctual and regular attendance are essential in establishing good routines for school and learning, as well as friendships. Nationally, the youngest children tend to be the ones who pick up bugs and are off ill as they start in

school and we know that the large majority of absences for our children are unavoidable. However, if your child is tired, for example, due to being up in the night feeling unwell but is well and rested by lunchtime or just perks up as the day progresses then please bring them back to school for the afternoon session. Parents should make every effort to arrange medical and dental appointments after school or during school holidays. If there is no alternative and your child has to be absent, please inform the school office and provide a copy of your child's appointment letter or card this will then be recorded as an authorised absence.





Library Visits

Once again the whole school will be visiting Pickering library before Easter. Starting next week when Badgers will be walking down on Tuesday followed by Rabbit class on Thursday. This is a valuable resource in the Pickering community and a wonderful way to promote a life long love of reading.



Dates to remember

-  **16th March**—Nursery Games morning 9am -10am
-  **17th March**—Nursery Games afternoon 2.10pm-3.10pm

- 📅 **18th March**—Comic Relief non-uniform day
- 📅 **24th March & 6th April**—Nursery Parents evening meetings
- 📅 **25th March**—March Birthday Assembly 9.10am
- 📅 **29th March**—Parents Evening 3.40-6.40pm
- 📅 **31st March**—Parent's Evening 4-7pm
- 📅 **6th April**—Easter lunch
- 📅 **7th April**—RE day for Nursery and Reception
- 📅 **8th April**—Break up for Easter

Lip Balms

Whilst we are happy for children to use lip salves to treat dry and cracked lips where they need it, these are becoming unnecessary distractions in classrooms, which is impacting negatively on the focus on learning. If children need to use a lip balm then they can be sent in as and when needed. These can be used at playtime and lunchtime.

Bags2School Collection

Thank you to everyone for donating their unwanted items to Bags2School. This has raised £49.60 towards the Friends of School funds.

Updating Details

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

Hungate Centre

If you are walking past the Hungate Centre, please stop and have a look at the displays created by local youth organisations including our school and Pickering Junior School. These are to highlight awareness of looking after our environment alongside Pickering Environmental Group. Thanks to Mrs Leathley and Mrs Carter for organising and co-ordinating this. We're sure that you'll agree that the display looks great!



Pickering Castle

Pickering, as you are aware, is a very historic town which boasts it's very own castle. It would be great for children and their families to be able to explore our unique surroundings and experience and learn more about our wonderful town. One way to do this is by visiting the castle which you can do as many times as you like with a resident's pass.

Pickering residents can apply to the town council for a pass which gives them free entry to the castle. For further details click on the link below.

[Passes to the castle for Pickering residents](#)



Movie Time

Our Family Cinema this month will be showing MOANA and will be held on Saturday 12th March at the Methodist Church Hall. Doors open at 5.45pm with the film starting at 6pm. Refreshments will be served half way through but there will not be a tuck shop so please feel free to bring your own treats. The film is free but donations towards our costs are welcome. All children under 16yrs must be accompanied by an adult but all are welcome.



SHOWCASE 2022

Tickets now available for the 'Sarah Louise Ashworth School of Dance
Bi-Annual Show'

Held at Lady Lumley's School, Pickering

Saturday 2nd April – 5.15pm

Sunday 3rd April – 2pm and 5.30pm

Tickets: £10 Adults & £5 Children

Under 2s £1

Tickets from: The Dance School :- 07801885044

Email:- sarahlouiseashworth@yahoo.co.uk

EVERYONE WELCOME

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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