

Pickering Community Infant & Nursery School

School Newsletter No 10

3rd February 2023



Animals

The children across school have been thoroughly engrossed in their learning about animals. In preparation for our workshop next week the children have been categorising animals.



Library visit: Nursery

Nursery ventured out on their first visit out of school down to Pickering Library. In class they have been listening to and exploring the story Goldilocks and the Three Bears. Children have explored oats and tasted porridge during snack too.



Handouts

Hard copies:

- ✿ Sports Club letters for Spring 2—Yrs 1 & 2 only
- ✿ Transport letter for pupils using school transport
- ✿ Diary Sheet

Email copies:

- ✿ Diary Sheet
- ✿ Strike Action Letter
- ✿ Celebrating Pickering Music
- ✿ Lockdown Procedure Letter

Attendance

Congratulations to **Squirrel** Class for achieving **96.7%** attendance for the two weeks from 23rd January to 3rd February 2023.





Tuesday 7th February will be national Safer Internet Day. With increasing access to devices that connect to the internet, it is vital that we all know how to keep ourselves and our children safe online. We will send out useful links and information relating to safety next week via ParentMail. Further information can be found on our school website on the 'E Safety' page in our 'Safety and Wellbeing' section.

Safer internet access is a theme that runs through both our Computing Curriculum and PSHCE/PSED Curriculum and is something that we talk to children about regularly. Tuesday will be another opportunity to highlight this and the key messages to our children.

Please remember that most social media sites, such as Facebook, require users to be aged **thirteen** before they can have an account. It is a violation of their terms to provide false details to set up an account. This is to protect children from potential harm.

Children's Mental Health Week

6th to 12th February is Children's Mental Health Week and the national theme is Connect. As part of our work in this area next week, children will be exploring different activities based on connections and kindness.



Kindness causes
elevated levels of
dopamine in the brain,
helping us feel happier.

#MentalHealthAwarenessWeek



No After School Club Provision

Please note that we will be unable to offer our after school club provision on **Tuesday 7th February** due to staff training. We would request that parents/carers make alternative arrangements on this occasion. Please accept our apologies for any inconvenience caused.

ParentMail Payment Accounts

As we approach the end of the financial year, we would be extremely grateful if you could ensure that your child's payment accounts are paid up to date. This will include Nursery fees, Nursery Lunches, Breakfast Club and After School Club payments through ParentMail. Please could this be done by the end of March. Thank you

Tasting Session with Pea-ter Pod

On Thursday 9th February County Catering are coming into school for a tasting session with the children. All children across school will get the opportunity to taste different foods as well as receive stickers and activity sheets. Please ensure school are aware of all up to date allergies for your child.

Animal Encounter

Monday 6th February is our Animal Encounter day. We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £3 per child for this workshop. This contribution is to be paid via ParentMail +Pay – login to ParentMail and select 'payments' from the menu on the left-hand side, followed by 'shop', then select Animal Encounter workshop and add to basket. The children are very much looking forward to meeting the animals and handling them.

Clubs

Last week for block 1 clubs is week commencing 6th February

Singing Squad will continue with the same children throughout Block 2.

Block 2 clubs will start week beginning 20th February. An email confirming your child's club for that block was sent out on 2nd November 2022 and a reminder email will be sent out next week. If your child's circumstances have changed since they were allocated a place, please would you kindly let us know as another child may be able to fill the place.

Last Sports Club Friday 10th February

Sports Club letters for Spring 2 have been sent out this week with the club starting straight after half term. Please look out for these in book bags, and ensure they are returned by **Wednesday 8th February**, years one and two children only.

Bags to School



If you are having a clear out of cupboards and wardrobes please put items to one side for our Bag2School collection on **Wednesday 1st March 2023**. Bags will need to be left in the staff car park by 9am.

Diary Dates

Tuesdays weekly—Year 2

Badger Class swimming

Thursday 9th February—Magic Mike Disco (Rec, Yr1 and Yr2)

Week commencing 6th Feb—Last Block 1 clubs and Sports club

Friday 10th February—School closes for half term

Monday 20th February — School reopens

Friday 24th February—February Birthday Assembly 9.10am

Thursday 2nd March—World Book Day

Please remember to keep checking Parent Mail for updates.

Parking

A huge **THANK YOU** to all of our parents who make use of the parking permit scheme for Eastgate car park or who ensure that they park safely and courteously around school.

Together with your help we are trying to make drop off and collection times a little less stressful for our neighbours on Ruffa Lane. As well as increased patrols by the traffic wardens we will soon be joined by our parking buddies who are a gentle reminder to parents to be considerate in your parking.



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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	Lunch Menu WC 6th February 2023
Monday 	Farmhouse Mac & Cheese With Garlic Bread Broccoli & Carrots Jam Roly Poly & Custard
Tuesday 	Cheese Burger Baked Potato Wedges Spring Coleslaw with Cucumber Sticks Banana Brownie
Weds 	Mince Beef & Dumplings with Baked Baby Potatoes Medley of Seasonal Vegetables Sliced Wholemeal Bread Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit
Thursday 	Chicken Korma and Rice Cauliflower and Green Beans Naan Bread Oatie Biscuit and Cheese
Friday 	Harry Ramsdens Battered Fish Chips Peas and Sweetcorn Homemade Crusty Bread Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit
Vegetarian	Lunch Menu WC 6th February 2023
Monday	Farmhouse Mac Cheese
Tuesday	Veggie Dog
Weds	Vegetable Cottage Pie
Thursday	Vegetable Lasagne
Friday	Cheese and Tomato Pizza

	Lunch Menu WC 20th February 2023
Monday 	Pasta Parcels in Homemade Tomato sauce Cauliflower & Green Beans Homemade Garlic Bread
Tuesday 	Chicken Bites Baby Baked potatoes Peas and Sweetcorn Herby Bread
Weds 	Roast Turkey and Stuffing Roast Potatoes Medley of Seasonal Vegetables Homemade 50 / 50 Bread Artic Roll and Fruit
Thursday 	Chilli Con Carne Naan Bread 50 / 50 Rice Broccoli and Carrots
Friday 	Fishwich (salmon) Chips Crunchy Vegetable Sticks Chocolate Berry Mousse Cake
Vegetarian	Lunch Menu WC 20th February 2023
Monday	Pasta Parcels
Tuesday	Cheese and Onion Whirl
Weds	Sweet Potato and Spring
Thursday	Cheesy Bean Enchilada
Friday	Veggie Burger