

# Pickering Community Infant & Nursery School

## School Newsletter No 14

21st April 2023



### Ryedale Children's Choir

Over the Easter holidays, a number of our pupils attended a two day music holiday club at Pickering Community Junior School. The children tackled some really challenging music and did a fantastic job! The children will be performing at the first concert of the prestigious Ryedale Festival on **29th April** at St. Peter and St. Paul's Church. Tickets are available to purchase from [www.ryedalefestival.com](http://www.ryedalefestival.com)

### Outdoor Play and Learning

Once again our outdoor area has some new resources for the children to use. A huge thank you goes to Mr and Mrs Kelly who have sourced and made our spectacular Mud Kitchen for the bottom of the field. This week's play assembly focused on the children deciding how this should be used and the 'rules' around using the mud kitchen. Additional digging and construction materials have been added to the area together with a basketball net. On Tuesday the children eagerly lined up and decided themselves that they should have two attempts at the basketball net and then join the line again. We are very impressed with how the children are discussing and deciding together how to play cooperatively.



### Handouts:

- ✿ Sports Day Lunch Invitation—packed lunch children only
- ✿ Earth Day flyer
- ✿ Sponsored Bounce Forms

### Emails:

- ✿ Coronation Picnic in the Park poster
- ✿ Letter from Mrs De Barr
- ✿ A guide to a Healthy Start Scheme
- ✿ Parent Code of Conduct
- ✿ Earth Day poster for Schools
- ✿ Earth Day at Pickering Book Tree Programme

**Congratulations to Butterfly class with 96.1% attendance for the Spring term**



## Dates for your Diary

**Block 2 Clubs resume from Monday 24th April**

**Thursday 27th April—Class Photographs**

**Friday 28th April—April Birthday Assembly—9.10am**

**Friday 28th April—No Sports Club today**

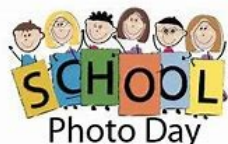
**Monday 1st May—May Day—School Closed**

**Wednesday 3rd May—A Royal Coronation Tea Party Lunch**

**Friday 5th May—Cake and Sweet Stall 3-30pm**

**Monday 8th May—Coronation Bank Holiday—School Closed**

## Class Photos



Classes will be having their class photographs taken on Thursday 27th April.

## And the winner is.....

Congratulations to Rowan in Nursery who was the lucky winner of our Spring raffle for the Giant Easter Egg generously donated by the Ryedale Lions and made by Birdgate Chocolatiers.



## 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 particularly for dentist, doctor and optician appointments. 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.

## FoS Sponsored Bounce

This is always a much anticipated event in the school calendar. On Thursday 25th May, Friends of School (FoS) will have a bouncy castle in the hall for the children to use as classes. Each child will be asked to bounce as part of a small group from their class in order to raise money for Friends of School. Your child will bring home a sponsor form in their book bag today. This gives families a few weeks before the event to speak to family and friends to ask if they are able to help with sponsorship. We appreciate that family budgets are being increasingly squeezed from many sides and we appreciate any and all sponsorship that you are able to raise. Even if you are unable to help with sponsorship on this occasion, all children will still have the opportunity to bounce with their class. Friends of School host an exciting range of events to fund a number of activities and events in school at a time where school budgets are being squeezed in the same way as family budgets. In the last year, Friends of School have funded new reading books across the school which are inline with our phonics scheme, Tutti Frutti theatre production visit, The puppet workshop, our Islam workshop, secured a grant for the outside areas in school and have committed to supporting OPAL work as an annual commitment and will be contributing to up coming summer visits.



## **Before and After School Club**

Our Before and After School Clubs are located in the bottom classroom on the east side of school. If you stand on Ruffa Lane, this is the furthest classroom to the right and nearest the modular building. We offer Before and After School Club places on either a regular or ad-hoc basis, as and when you need the provision for any children who attend our school. Our school based staff Mrs Johnson and Mrs Nichols run our Before School Club and Mrs Davis, Mrs Kelly and Miss Green run our After School Club. Our After School Club runs from the end of the school day until 5pm and includes a light tea and refreshment after a busy school day. Provision for nursery children is offered on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday after school. The cost of the After School Club is £3.00 between 3.25pm and 4pm; £7.00 between 3.25pm and 5pm, including a light snack and drink; Further information, photos and booking forms can all be found on our website at <http://pickering-inf.n-yorks.sch.uk/before-and-after-school-club-provision/>

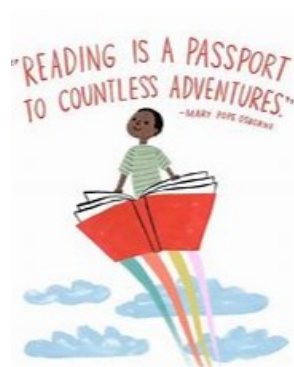
Alternatively call in, telephone or email the school office.

## **Parent Code of Conduct**

We are incredibly grateful that our school community work so well together for the good of our school and our children. We always encourage parents and staff to talk to each other about any concerns. As our annual update, please find attached our code of conduct.

## **Reading**

Sharing a bedtime story every night can have a huge positive impact on so many things. Book Trust share that, 'Reading at home not only increases academic ability, but it also helps to strengthen family relationships and foster a lifelong love of books ' Even when children can read books themselves, sharing bedtime stories together still remains one of the best things that you can do with your child to support learning at home.



***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 24th April
<b>Monday</b> 	Quorn Nuggets with Ketchup Potato Wedges Sweetcorn & Peas Homemade 50/50 Bread Berry Sponge Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit
<b>Tuesday</b> 	BBQ Chicken Wrap Rainbow Rice Veggie Sticks Oat Biscuit & Cheese Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit
<b>Weds</b> 	Roast Gammon & Gravy Baby New Potatoes Medley of Summer Vegetables Sliced Wholemeal Bread Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit
<b>Thursday</b> 	Spaghetti Bolognese Homemade Garlic Bread Carrots & Peas Chocolate & Vanilla Swirl Muffin Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit
<b>Friday</b> 	Crispy Fish Nuggets (Salmon) Chips Mixed Summer Salad Homemade Sunflower Seed Bread Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

Vegetarian	Lunch Menu WC 24th April
<b>Monday</b>	Cheesy Bean Parcel
<b>Tuesday</b>	Veggie Bolognese
<b>Weds</b>	Veggie Sausages and Gravy
<b>Thursday</b>	Sweet potato Curry and 50/50 Rice
<b>Friday</b>	Crunchy topped Mac and Cheese

	Lunch Menu WC 1st May 2023
<b>Monday</b> 	Pizza & Potato Wedges Summer Coleslaw & Peas Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit
<b>Tuesday</b> 	Beef Enchiladas 50/50 Rice Broccoli & Sweetcorn Cheese and Biscuits Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit
<b>Weds</b> 	Roast Chicken Yorkshire Pudding Mashed Potato & Gravy Summer Cabbage & Carrots Homemade 50/50 Bread Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit
<b>Thursday</b> 	Meatballs (Pork) & Pasta Green Beans & Cauliflower Pitta Bread Cornflake Crispie Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit
<b>Friday</b> 	Battered Fish & Chips Ketchup Peas & Sweetcorn Sliced Wholemeal Bread Custard Cookie with Apple Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

Vegetarian	Lunch Menu WC 1st May 2023
<b>Monday</b>	Greek Pitta Pocket
<b>Tuesday</b>	Summer Veg spaghetti
<b>Weds</b>	Country Veggie Bake
<b>Thursday</b>	Vegetable Risotto
<b>Friday</b>	Loaded Potato Skins



# Friends of School Newsletter

Contact us at [fos@pickering-inf.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:fos@pickering-inf.n-yorks.sch.uk)

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## RECENT EVENTS



We loved hosting our first Bunny Drive since 2019 before Easter. A huge thank you to everyone who came and supported this event. Together with the Spring raffle we raised £600! This has then been match funded with another £500 by Badgers parent Jim Holliday who works for Lloyds Bank making our total £1100!

We also had a Pub Quiz at The Sun Inn (thank you Sharon!) that raised £227.

## MATCH FUNDING



Could you double our funds? We would be grateful if you could see if your employer has a match funding scheme, or if they are willing to match fund any of our events. This is when a company would match our fundraising, for example we raise £500, they match it with £500.



Sat 17th June

10am - 5pm

## Pickering Open Gardens



For this event to be a success - we need more people to **open their gardens!** Do you, a family member, friend or neighbour have a garden that could be included in the event? Please ask around - you do not need a garden suitable for Chelsea - people are inspired by seeing everyday gardens, yards and allotments! Contact Anne on 07927 653027 or find us at <https://www.facebook.com/pickeringopengardens>



## SENSORY GARDEN & EYFS PROJECTS

We were thrilled to be successful in a grant application and have been awarded a generous amount to reopen the sensory and growing garden and also upgrade the outdoor EYFS area - watch this space! A big THANK YOU to Pickering Town Council for supporting these projects. We are currently looking for fencers, builders, joiners and a willow tree weaver to help us with various parts of the project - can you help?



### Pickering Book Tree Event

Celebrate Earth Day at Pickering Book Tree on **Saturday 22nd April** Meet the authors of Nettle and Dock and enjoy an hour of reading, music and fun! See attached flyer for the programme of events. Booking is essential!

THIS SATURDAY AT PICKERING BOOK TREE...

Celebrate Earth Day  
with  
Nettle and Dock!



Saturday 22nd April 11am-midday OR 1-2pm

Tickets: FREE

Book at the shop counter or online at [pickeringbooktree.co.uk](http://pickeringbooktree.co.uk)