

Pickering Community Infant & Nursery School

School Newsletter No 16

19th May 2023



Message from Mrs De Barr

Next week will be my last week as Acting Executive Headteacher across the Infant and Junior School and although I am sorry to have to leave and return full time to the Junior School, I just wanted to say how much I have enjoyed my time here. Thank you so much to all the staff, parents, carers and governors who have made me feel so welcome since September and I am confident that I am leaving the school in safe hands. Your children are *VERY* lucky to attend such a kind and caring school - one where children thrive, are encouraged to be their best selves and to be kind and respectful towards others. I look forward to seeing the children (and yourselves) again as your children move up to us at Pickering Community Junior School. Have a great rest of the academic year and a great Summer.

Curriculum Learning



Children in KS1 were visited by Mrs Harland who showed the children some real river life samples to tie in with their current water topic. Mrs Harland showed the children kick test samples that can tell us a lot

about the health of a river. Each class classified the examples of invertebrates found in the samples and played a fun river food chain game to see how they fitted into the food chain.



Cake stall

A huge Thankyou to everyone who came to see us on our school cake stall on the 5th May. We raised a huge £192.70



Handouts

Hard copies:

- Pickering Open Gardens Ticket Letter
- Summer 2 Sports Club Letter—KS1 only
- Summer Term 2 Diary Sheet
- Dalby Forest Visit letter and medical form—Nursery only

Email Attachments:

- Class friendship request letter
- Sports Day Programme
- Summer Term 2 Diary Sheet
- Helmsley Arts Centre Events
- Castle Visit—Rec & KS1



Attendance Congratulations!

Congratulations to Squirrels Class with

100% attendance for the week 8th—12th May



Reminders

Tuesday 23rd May — Allotment visit
Reception

Wednesday 24th May—Allotment visit
Years one and two

Thursday 25th May— Sponsored
Bounce

Friday 26th May—May Birthday
Assembly—9.10am

Reserve Sports Day

Break up for half term

Monday 5th June—School reopens to
children

Tuesday 6th June- Castle Visit—KS1

Wednesday 7th June— Bag2School
9am

Friday 9th June—Summer Sports Club
Starts

Year 2 and Year 5 Map Day

Sports Day

Sports Day will hopefully
take place today Friday
19th May starting promptly
at 1.10pm. Please can we
ask that you are seated by

this time because there many races to
get through. The seating area will be on
the opposite site of the trim trail. For
Health and Safety reasons please keep
toddlers with you at all times. Full
details of the races are on the
programme which will be sent via email
today. Should the weather be wet or
rainy a ParentMail message will be
sent out to parents by 11.30 cancelling
sports day. Our reserve day is Friday
26th May should we be unable to go
ahead today.



**PLEASE DO NOT TAKE
PHOTOGRAPHS OR
VIDEOS WITH YOUR
MOBILE PHONE OR A
CAMERA —Thank you**

ATTENTION



No Photographs
Please respect the
privacy of others.
DO NOT
take photographs on
the school grounds
Thank you for your support and cooperation.

Whilst we know that this is
disappointing, we do not have
permission for some of our children to
be included in photographs or any form
of social media outside of school.

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 (or outside,
weather permitting) 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 (FoS).
Sponsor forms were sent out in book
bags on 21st April. This was to give
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.
It's not too late to collect sponsorship
and if you would like an additional copy
of the sponsor form please let the office
know. Even if you are unable to help
with sponsorship on this occasion, all
children will still have the opportunity to
bounce with their class. Please send
the sponsor form into school on the day
so that a member of the FoS can sign
them.

Bag2school



If you are having a clear out of cupboards and wardrobes over the half term holiday, please put items to one side for our

Bag2School collection on **Wednesday 7th June 2023**. Bag2School have continued to develop their mission around sustainability by asking families to use their own bags (bags being donated, bin bags or bin liners) for donations where possible. Bags will need to be left in the staff car park.

Facebook

Facebook continues to be a well used social media tool. Some members of staff have their own Facebook accounts but I would ask that, unless you are already a friend of a member of staff or governor outside of school, that you don't make friend requests to them. Whilst staff aim to build positive relationships with parents and carers, it is important that staff have a clear boundary between their professional and personal lives. Please don't be offended if staff members and governors refuse friend requests as this is what they have agreed to do in our school acceptable use of technology and safeguarding agreements.

Please keep up to date with what's going on in school through our social media accounts.



Pickering Open Gardens



Pickering open gardens is a community event being held on **Saturday 17th June 10am—5pm** where you can come and enjoy the hidden gems of Pickering, from sprawling gardens to charming courtyards and flourishing allotments, and everything in between!

An event for all the family and a fabulous day out exploring some of Pickering's much loved gardens, be inspired and maybe enjoy a cream tea or two!

All proceeds are to be shared between Pickering Infant and Nursery school and Pickering Junior School.

A program including a map of all the gardens will be released prior to the event and can be purchased through school or at Reeds newsagents. £5 per ticket, accompanied under 16s free. To apply for tickets from school please complete the return slip on the letter sent home in book bags today. Please ensure that these are returned to school **by Friday 26th May**, and tickets will be sent home following the half term break.

Community Park junior parkrun is Turning 1!

Our local junior parkrun at Pickering Community Park is celebrating its first birthday on **Sunday 28th May!** Come along to join the parkrun team as they celebrate with the usual 2k parkrun and then some birthday



treats!

If you're new to parkrun, come and give it a try. Parkrun events are free to join, just register first at [register | parkrun UK](https://www.parkrun.org.uk/register). For more information go to <https://www.parkrun.org.uk/communitypark-juniors/>.

Parking

PWe have recently received 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 kept 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.

Class Friendship Requests for September 2023

If there is anything that you feel is significant relating to relationships between children that needs to be considered by staff when they look at classes, then please put this in writing to class teachers **at the class email address by 26th May**. Even if you have spoken to your child's class teacher previously about this, please mention it again so that you can be sure that it has been taken into consideration. When you include names in emails, we ask that you only write first names with current class or the first and last initial with class of any child that you include in your email.



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

	Lunch Menu WC 22nd May
Monday 	Pizza & Potato Wedges Summer Coleslaw & Peas Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit
Tuesday 	Beef Enchiladas 50/50 Rice Broccoli & Sweetcorn Cheese and Biscuits Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit
Weds 	Roast Chicken Yorkshire Pudding Mashed Potato & Gravy Summer Cabbage & Carrots Homemade 50/50 Bread
Thursday 	Meatballs (Pork) & Pasta Green Beans & Cauliflower Pitta Bread Cornflake Crispie Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit
Friday 	Battered Fish & Chips Ketchup Peas & Sweetcorn Sliced Wholemeal Bread Custard Cookie with Apple
Vegetarian	Lunch Menu WC 24th April
Monday	Greek Pitta Pocket
Tuesday	Summer Veg spaghetti
Weds	Country Veggie Bake
Thursday	Vegetable Risotto
Friday	Loaded Potato Skins

	Lunch Menu WC 5th June 2023
Monday 	Creamy Cheese and Tomato Pasta Medley of Summer Vegetables Homemade Garlic Flatbread Raspberry and Apple Doughnut Muffin Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit
Tuesday 	Hot Dog and Ketchup Diced potatoes Cucumber Sticks & Grated Carrot
Weds 	Cottage Pie Broccoli and Carrots Crusty Bread Cheese and Crackers Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit
Thursday 	Chicken Korma 50 / 50 Rice Cauliflower & Green Beans Naan Bread Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit
Friday 	Fish Fingers Chips Baked Beans or Peas Homemade Wholemeal Bread Fruity Flapjack Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit
Vegetarian	Lunch Menu WC 1st May 2023
Monday	Vegetable Korma and Rice
Tuesday	Veggie Bite Sub
Weds	Cheesy Potato Bake
Thursday	Quorn Sweet and Sour
Friday	Veggie Roll