

Pickering Community Infant & Nursery School
School Newsletter No 2
22nd September 2023



Reading and Parental Involvement

Thank you to all of those who were able to attend the Year One and Two reading workshop last night. We hope that you found it useful. We appreciate that the time of this would not have suited all of our parents and Mrs Smith will be sending home a Parentmail containing some of the information covered to make sure that everyone gets the same information.

Reading is an important skill for children to master. It supports their development of language and opens up a whole world of information through which they can access all sorts of information and learning about the world that we live in and the world of imagination too! We greatly appreciate parental support around reading; both helping children to read their school reading books and access Bug Club but in sharing books at home too.

All Year One and Two children will by now have been assigned new books on their Bug Club login (Details in the reading section of their Busy Book) and will have brought a reading book home.

A reminder that our Open Afternoon will take place on **Tuesday 26th September 2023** and it would be lovely to see some of our current families as well as some potential new ones. Everybody is welcome.

Handouts:

- ⇒ 'All the fun of the fair' Autumn Lunch letter packed lunch children only
- ⇒ Revised SD1 form— For special dietary requirement children only

Email:

- ⇒ Flu Vaccination registration letter Rec, Y1 & Y2
- ⇒ Open Afternoon Poster



Attendance News

Congratulations to **Squirrels Class** for **97.7%** attendance for the first part of the Autumn term.



Individual School Photos



The school photographer will be in school on Monday 25th September. All the children have an individual photograph taken. If there are siblings in school, they will also have a photograph taken together. The children will bring home a small proof of their photographs with details of how to place an order, however you are under no obligation to buy.

Flu Vaccinations in School

For Reception Y1 and Y2



If your child is of Reception age,

Year one or Year two and you would like them to receive this year's flu vaccination in school, please complete the online consent form at <https://yny.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2023/northyorkshire>

The vaccination team will be coming into school on **Tuesday 17th October** for the children whose parents have opted for the vaccination.

Birthday Assembly

The celebration assembly for children who have had their birthday during the month of September will be Friday 29th September at **9.10am**. If we can ask parents to wait at the gate to the Eastwing playground, to the right of the school building as you come up the path. Parents have enquired whether they are able to bring a treat for children in their child's class for their



child's birthday. There is no expectation that you will share anything with the class. We teach the children that no food is bad for you if eaten in appropriate moderation and as part of a well-balanced diet. However, with the frequency of birthdays in classes, these are becoming more of a norm than an exception. With this in mind and the development of our food curriculum and food policy we are therefore asking parents not to bring sweets and treats in for birthday celebrations. We appreciate that these are often part of birthday celebrations but would appreciate your support moving forward with this.

School Office

During afternoons there is usually only one member of staff in the office. We ask for your patience in giving them time to answer the phone and door at these times. We have two phone lines and so your call may ring in the office but if the member of staff is away from their desk or on another line, they will not be able to answer straight away.

Safeguarding


As part of our ongoing commitment to safeguarding, we will be taking part in our annual Local Authority review of safeguarding arrangements in our school and on the school site. As part of this, Local Authority Advisor, Karen Butler, will be on school site on the morning of Thursday 28th Sept. She will be outside from 8.30am to speak to parents and carers about safeguarding. Some of our safeguarding information can be found in the 'Safety and Wellbeing' section of the school

website.

Playground Equipment

Please may we ask that in a morning the children do not touch or use the equipment out on the playgrounds. Often this has been set up by staff in preparation for their learning for that morning.

School Crossing Patrol



The school crossing patrol positioned on Ruffa Lane will be there 8.35-9.15am and 3.10-3.40pm each day during term time. This is a very busy time of day with many people in a limited space. Please take extra care and ensure that your child stays with you until the crossing patrol indicates that it is safe to cross.

Plea for Volunteers

If you, or someone you know, have a spare hour or two at all and would like to come in to school to help support the children and staff, your help would be greatly appreciated. Support can be by listening to readers, helping with key words, photocopying or laminating resources, or even gardening. Please contact the school office to speak to Mrs Smith or Miss Bointon or speak to the member of staff directly.


Plea for PE kits

A huge thank you for your response to our plea for socks. We would appreciate if anyone also has any PE kits that your children have outgrown or any girls underwear that your children no longer need if they could be donated to school. We would also remind everyone that all children in Years One and Two need a PE kit (blue or black sports shorts and a

round neck white t-shirt with a pair of easy to fasten sports shoes or plimsolls). Please can we remind everyone that, if children come home wearing spare school clothes, that these are washed and returned for use by other children.



Autumn Lunch Menu



Thursday 5th October is our whole school Autumn lunch where we invite children who usually bring a packed lunch to join us for a hot meal.

The menu on this day will be-



Pizza

Chips, Ketchup,

Peas & Sweetcorn

Jelly & Ice Cream

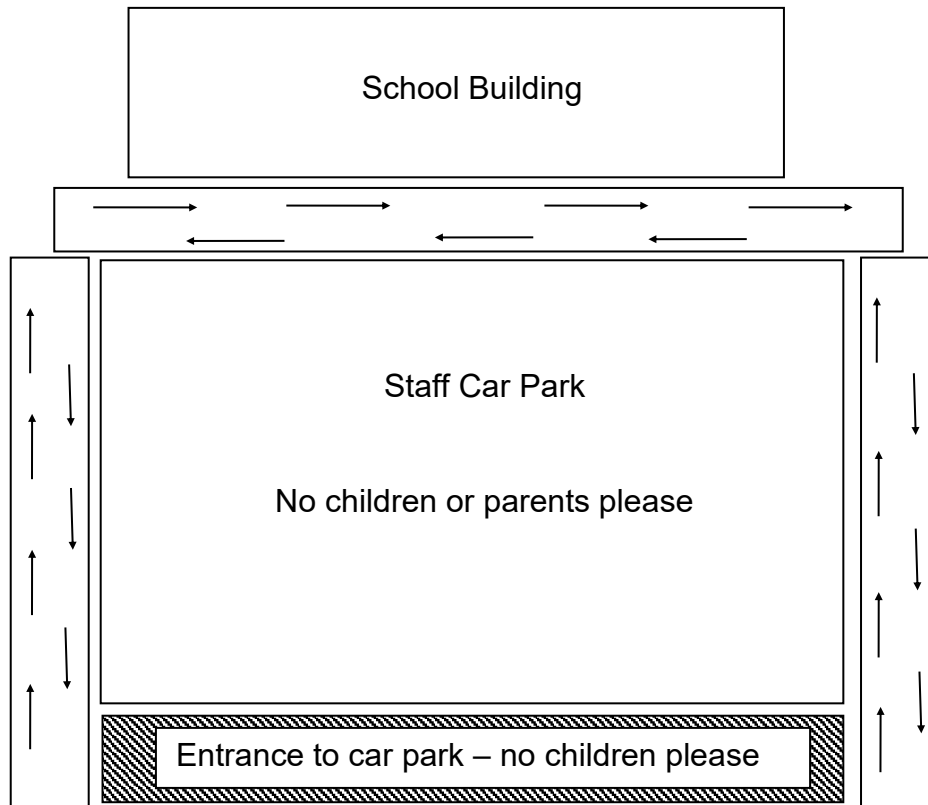
Fresh Fruit

All dietary requirements catered for

Dates for your Diary

- ✍ **Monday 25th Sept**—Individual photographs
- ✍ **Tuesday 26th Sept**—Open Afternoon 3.45pm—5pm
- ✍ **Friday 29th Sept**— September Birthday Assembly 9.10am
- ✍ **Thursday 5th Oct**—Autumn Lunch
- ✍ **Tuesday 10th Oct**—Allotment Visit Badgers and Rabbits
- ✍ **Wednesday 11th Oct**—Allotment visit Squirrels
- ✍ **Thursday 12th Oct**— Reception Parents Reading Workshop 4pm-5pm
- ✍ **Tuesday 17th Oct**—Flu Vaccinations in school

Safe School Access



The safety of our pupils is paramount and that is why we ask that parents do not walk across the car park at drop off times but rather use the paths to the right and left of the car park (as above). The reason for this arrangement is that some of our staff arrive between 8.45 and 9am and leave between 3.25 and 3.40pm. They are always vigilant and ensure that there are no children behind them as they reverse, but to minimise the risk, I would stress the importance of using the paths.

Please could I also ask that parents do not let children climb on the grassed hill next to the car park. There is a steep drop at the other side of this.

It has been lovely to see some of the children arriving on scooters and bikes! Please ask your child to push these rather than ride them on school grounds as the paths can get busy and there are steep slopes leading directly to the road. There is a scooter and bike park at the entrance to the Reception playground where children are welcome to leave these during the day. These are left entirely at parents' own risk.

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 25th September
Monday	Pizza Diced Potatoes Crunchy Veg sticks Lemon Drizzle Muffin
Tuesday	Chicken and tomato Pasta Peas and Sweetcorn Homebaked Garlic Bread Autumnal Fruit Crumble and Custard
Weds	Sausage and Yorkshire Pudding Mashed Potato Medley of Vegetables Gravy and Crusty Bread Cheese and Crackers
Thursday	Chicken Korma and Rice Cauliflower and Green Beans Naan Bread Berry Marble Sponge and Custard
Friday	Fish Fingers and Chips with Ketchup Carrots and Peas Sliced Wholemeal Bread Chocolate Orange Mousse Cake

Vegetarian	Lunch Menu WC 25th Sept
Monday	BBQ Wrap
Tuesday	Seasonal Veg Hotpot
Weds	Meat Free Sausage and Yorkshire
Thursday	Cheese, Leek and Potato Bake
Friday	Vegetable Lasagne

	Lunch Menu WC 2nd October
Monday	Pasta Bolognese Bake Broccoli and Sweetcorn Garlic Flatbread Custard Cookie with Fruit and Ice Cream
Tuesday	Chicken Burger in a Bun Potato Wedges Peas and Coleslaw Chocolate Sponge and Chocolate Sauce
Weds	Roast Loin of Pork with Apple Sauce Boiled Potatoes Carrots and Green Beans Gravy, Homebaked Bread
Thursday	Autumn Lunch
Friday	Battered Fish Chips Ketchup Sweetcorn and Peas Crusty Bread Lemon Shortcake

Vegetarian	Lunch Menu WC 2nd October
Monday	Oven Baked Sausage and Bean
Tuesday	Veg and Bean Burger in a Bun
Weds	Pea-ter Croquette
Thursday	Cauliflower Cheese Bake
Friday	Cheese Whirl