



Newsletter

Friday 4th March 2022

What a lovely busy first week back we have had in school!! It was fabulous to feel as though we were back to normal and enjoying World Book Day and pancakes! Thank you for all the effort you put into your children's costumes, they looked amazing and there was a real buzz around school especially in the library! It is not too late to make a donation to our collection for the library resources which will be open for another week. There has been a parent hub and parent pay link sent out as we are aware that we had not done so.

Thank you for your support.

WHAT IS BULLYING?

We have undertaken some additional work in school to look at bullying and would like to share the slides that we have used with the children with you so you have an awareness of what has been covered. Your children may also come home and talk about the STOP mantra which helps children understand what bullying is. We have launched a competition to design posters and there will be a prize for the winning one in each class. Here are the slides that show what your children have been learning about.

[bullying](#)

BIRTHDAY TREATS

As we are now 'living with Covid' I am pleased to say that after lots of queries we are now in a position to allow the bringing in of birthday treats. Just to clarify this is optional and there is no expectation for children to bring these in on their birthday. If however you would like to do this please can we ask that they are shop bought treats as this allows us to check the ingredients and guidance in the box for our children with allergies. Please can we also remind you that we are a nut free school so this must be followed too.

MORNING ARRIVALS

Please can we remind you that children should be in school by 8.50am. We are aware that there can be some congestion at the entrance and now that covid is lessening we are able to disband the one way system which may help. Children arriving after this time should be brought to the main reception. Punctuality is really important so that there is no lost learning time. Thank you

CURRENT SITUATION IN UKRAINE

I am sure that many of you are concerned about the situation in Ukraine. As a school we have taken the decision not to address this with the children in school. We feel that this should be dealt with sensitively, especially considering the number of service families in our community. How and what you wish to share with the children is your decision and can be dealt with in the security of the home environment. If we have children raise concerns or questions we will of course speak with them on an individual basis and then contact you to share our discussions. We have added the following in link for a newsround clip which is child friendly and may be of help.

[CHILD FRIENDLY NEWS CLIP](#)

CHOIR FESTIVAL

Good luck to our choir who will be performing as part of the Community Choir Festival at the Joseph Rowntree Theatre in York. We look forward to hearing all about it.

WORLD BOOK DAY



PE UNIFORM

Please can we remind you of our PE uniform. Whilst we are happy for the children to still come in their PE uniform we also wish to maintain our high standards.

Please can we also remind you that earrings are not to be worn for PE.

Football kits should not be worn for PE in school.

- Black PE shorts.
- White t-shirt.
- Black plimsolls.
- Outdoor trainers (non-marking soles). (Not required in FS2)
- Black jogging bottoms. (Not required in FS2)
- Black warm top/outdoor tracksuit top. (Not required in FS2)

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SUPPORTING COMMUNICATION & BEHAVIOUR OF CHILDREN ACROSS THE AUTISM SPECTRUM WORKSHOP

Living Autism Foundation would like to invite you to our latest workshop at **The Bar Convent, 17 Blossom Street, York, YO24 1AQ on Saturday, 12th March 2022, 10am to 1pm.**

The workshop will be presented by Geoff Evans on behalf of Living Autism Foundation. Geoff is a leading autism consultant, with over 35 years' experience in the sector.

Living Autism Foundation is a charity who help autistic people, their families and carers, to find information and services to meet their needs. One of our main objectives is to provide workshops which will offer information and approaches to help reduce anxieties and to improve health and wellbeing.

Our workshops are free to attend, however, should feel able to support the event with a donation on the day, this would help us facilitate further workshops in the future. You could also donate anytime by visiting our website: <https://livingautismfoundation.org/>.

Attendance to the workshop is by pre-booking only. Please register your attendance by emailing your full name, email address and telephone number to: enquiries@livingautismfoundation.org and put "Autism Workshop March 2022" in the subject heading.

We very much look forward to meeting you on the day.

Kind regards

David Questa

Trustee

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

DATE	ACTIVITY
FRIDAY 11TH MARCH	SCHOOL TRAINING DAY

WEEK COMMENCING 14TH MARCH	SIGN LANGUAGE WEEK The children will take part in activities to support this important week
FRIDAY 18TH MARCH	COMIC RELIEF Our school council are currently working on a plan for the day so details to follow
MONDAY 4TH APRIL	AUTISM AWARENESS DAY
WEDNESDAY 6TH APRIL	EASTER BONNET PARADE Please bring in your entries for our Easter bonnet parade. Any type of headwear accepted, the more creative the better!
FRIDAY 8TH APRIL	SCHOOL BREAKS UP FOR THE EASTER HOLIDAYS
MONDAY 25TH APRIL	RETURN TO SCHOOL
MONDAY 2ND MAY	BANK HOLIDAY NO SCHOOL
WEEK COMMENCING 9TH MAY	KEY STAGE 2 SATS TESTS
FRIDAY 27TH MAY	SCHOOL BREAKS UP FOR THE HOLIDAYS
MONDAY 6TH JUNE	RETURN TO SCHOOL

SCHOOL WEBSITE UPDATES

One of our aims this year is to develop our website so we will be keeping you up to date with additions and changes. Here are the latest updates for your information.

MAIN MENU	DROP DOWN SECTION	INFORMATION
OUR SCHOOL	Calendar	We have updated our calendar to ensure that our term dates etc are there for everyone to see. As we plan our next activities and special days we will be adding them too!

JUST A REMINDER, PLEASE GIVE US SOME FEEDBACK!

As Ofsted are due to visit us soon it would be really great to hear your views. We are always open to receiving your comments and thoughts in person or via email but you are also able to send them electronically. Ofsted operate a survey system called Parent View. They are then able to see what parents think about the school at any given time. We, as a school, are also able to access the results. Every parent who has a child at the school is able to submit their view. Here is the link. [PARENT VIEW](#)

Best wishes

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