



Newsletter

Friday 27th May 2022

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 27th May
Monday 6th June
Friday 10th June
Thursday 23rd June
Sunday 26th June
Friday 1st July
Wednesday 6th July
Sunday 10th July
Friday 22nd July

School Closes for Half-Term
Training Day
Bags2School collection
Flamingo Land school trip
Open Gardens
Sports Day (pm)
Ripon Cathedral Leavers Service
Friends Summer Fair
School closes for summer holidays 2.30pm

You can view the school calendar on the homepage of our website and next year's term and holiday dates can be found in the parents section of the website as well.

➤ **Star of the Week Awards**

Congratulations to the following children for excellent effort and attitude in class:

Gabby
Millicent
Poppy

➤ **Hot Chocolate Award**

Congratulations to the following children for their exemplary behaviour and for living out our school values of kindness, courage and respect:

Layla

➤ **Flamingo Land School Trip**

Thursday the 23rd June has been booked for an educational visit for Reception to Year 6. More details of this will follow shortly.

➤ **School Hours**

We have noticed that some children are arriving at school very early in the mornings. We would like to make parents aware that children are unsupervised until 8.30am when the classroom doors open. Staff are not able to supervise children before this time.

➤ **Parking**

Could we please remind everyone not to park on the zig zag lines outside school.

➤ **P.E. Uniform**

The children should wear navy/black joggers or leggings, a white t-shirt or polo shirt and a school sweatshirt or school hoodie. It is not non-uniform so could all parents please ensure the children have the correct kit.

➤ **Carlton Lodge Activities During Half Term**

Hello from Carlton Lodge Activity Centre

We are pleased to let you know we have organised Activities for the **Half Term Holiday, Spring 2022.**

Wednesday, 1st June 22

Activities are aimed at children **aged 8-14 yrs.**

There will be two types of activities running on the day –

Float & Fly – Activities will include: High ropes, Kayaking and Raft Building.

&

Wet & Wild - Activities will include: Kayaking, Raft building, Bushcraft and Archery

Covid safe measures are in place.

Children will be allocated into a group of up to 8 individuals and given instruction throughout the day by one or two instructors.

Activities will be arranged by the Carlton Lodge Team and will be dependent on group sizes, staffing levels and weather conditions.

[Registration is from 9.10am] Activities start at **9.30am** and finish at approx. **4.30pm.**

Places can be booked for children as individuals or multiple numbers at a cost of **£40 per child + booking fee.**

Places are limited, so please visit the EventBrite site to check availability.

To book your child[ren] for Activities please go to the **Eventbrite** site. Each Activity has its specific link to follow.

Float & Fly - <https://bit.ly/FloatandFly>

&

Wet & Wild - <https://bit.ly/NYYWetandWild>

Don't forget to bring a **packed lunch, a full change of clothes [including a spare pair of shoes]** and a **shower kit & towel** and come prepared for the season's weather conditions!

If you have any additional queries, please contact me by email: gillian@nyy.org.uk or by phone 01845 522145

Places are limited so don't miss out.

We look forward to seeing you!! ☺

➤ Holidays during Term Time

Taking a child on holiday during term time interrupts teaching and learning and can disrupt the educational progress. Before deciding to take holidays during term time, parent/carers are asked to consider the effect on their child's continuity of education. Mrs Thirlaway is only able to authorise leave of absence in exceptional circumstances.

Parents who take a child on leave in term time without the permission of the Academy risk being issued with a penalty notice fine for unauthorised absences.

➤ Bags2School

The next Bags2School day will be Friday 10th June.

➤ Free School Meals

Families can save around £450 a year with free school meals

As families across the county are feeling the pinch due to the rising cost of living, one way in which many people could save money, is by taking advantage of the free school meals, which may be available to them. This could save £450 a year. All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 automatically qualify for a free meal with no means testing required. Children in Year 3 onwards can also benefit if their parents are eligible for certain income support and allowances, support under the immigration and Asylum Act, child tax credit, working tax credit or universal credit. Help us to make sure as many families as possible are taking up the chance for a free meal by telling friends, family and the people we work with in our communities. Anyone can check eligibility and apply online: www.northyorks.gov.uk/free-school-meals

➤ Football Coaching

Please see the flyer below for more information on Football Lessons



➤ Collecting Children from School

This is a reminder that if someone different is collecting your child from school, you need to inform either the school office or a member of classroom staff so that we can ensure permission has been given before your child is handed over at the end of the day. If you are informing classroom staff, please ensure that they have acknowledged an email or Dojo message as they are not able to access these during the teaching day.

If you need your child to walk home or to meet you in your car parked in the village, you will need to complete a walk to school form which is attached to this newsletter.

➤ School Start times

Please note the following start times for each class:

- Preschool - 9am
- Reception, Yr1 and Y2 - 8.50am
- Y3-Y6 - 8.40am

The register begins 10 minutes before the start times and you should ensure that your child is in the school building by then so that they can be ready to start lessons at their allocated time. Late arrivals are noted.

➤ **Wildcats**

Weetabix Wildcats is non-competitive football for girls who want to give it a go for the very first time or want to play with other girls their own age. Most importantly, Weetabix Wildcats is all about having loads of fun and meeting new amazing friends. Our Wildcats session run at St John Fishers Catholic High School at 5:30-6:30pm and the age ranges from 5-11 years old. To sign up click the link below to find our Wildcats centre:

<https://find.EnglandFootball.com/>

➤ **Futsal**

Futsal is a fast indoor sport which is very fun and exciting to play. On average futsal players touch the ball 3 times more than playing football. We have two age groups, u9's and u11's. Both sessions are delivered at Harrogate High School every Monday, u9's 5-6pm, u11's 6-7pm. 'Matthew really enjoys the sessions, he is always playing with a ball at his, his development has really improved' – Parent.

To find more information please contact: tomblackburn@harrogatetownafc.com

To sign up: <https://officialsoccerschools.co.uk/harrogatetownafc/harrogate-town-afc-courses.html>

➤ **Absence reminder**

If your child is unwell, could we please ask that you ring the school by 9.15am to let us know rather than send an email.

➤ **BAFTA**

For any queries about before and after school club please email:

s.snowden@mcgprimaryschool.org

Morning BAFTA sessions are in Newby class and after school will be in the school hall.

➤ **Music Tuition in school**

For children who are interested in applying for music tuition in school, you can find out more information here: <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/info/information-about-lessons-available-schools>

NEWS FROM THE FRIENDS

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Hello to you all, I hope you are keeping well. I cannot believe we are at the end of this half term so soon!!

Only 7 school weeks until the summer holidays!!

A Gift from Friends!! (wild flowering seeds)

The children should have all come home with a little gift from The Friends to celebrate the Jubilee! We thought this would be a fun activity to do in the garden over the holidays and something the children can then enjoy as they grow and help attract butterflies and bees to your garden.

Friends Meeting- ALL WELCOME.

The Friends meeting will take place on Tuesday 7th June at 19:30 in the back room of The Punch Bowl pub in Marton. This will finish for approx 21:00. Please do feel free to turn up late as we really welcome everyone for new ideas and opinions!

Open Gardens- Marton Sunday 26th June.

We will be holding activities that we organise to help support the Open Gardens in the village. We benefit from the day financially and feel it is a very important friendship to continue and support our local community! We will run a Tombola and also a competition for our students to enter which will then be judged on the day! Bran Tub and face paints also all on offer!

Tombola prizes are needed!!!! If you feel you can help support me with this event I would love for you to come forward!

Summer Fair- Sunday 10th July (14:30- 17:30)

Lots planned for the afternoon and open to our wider community!

Pizza Oven, Ice cream Van, Stalls, Bouncy Castle + Bouncy Slide, Animals, Free sports activities and much more.....

Spring Ball - May 2023!!

After a very successful Ball in Autumn 2019 we are pleased to say that we are planning a Ball in May next year for our parents and staff to attend. Further details to follow!

I hope you have a wonderful May Half Term and look forward to our summer term and lots of fun!!

Susan Wilson (Chair)

Easy fundraising

Please don't forget that Marton-cum-Grafton Primary School is registered with easyfundraising. So, although we're unable to get together and hold fundraising events in person at present, we can continue to raise free funds, at no extra cost to you for the school.

When you shop via the easyfundraising website or app, with over 4,100 of your favourite retailers, including John Lewis & Partners, eBay, Booking.com, Amazon and many more, you will raise FREE donations for the school.

If you're not already registered, please visit our easyfundraising page here:

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/martoncumgrafftonps/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_content=s-e3

This will really make a difference to our school! Thank you for your support and thank you to the people who are currently registered on the site and continue to create donations it is very much appreciated.

“Aspire, Believe and Achieve in a Caring Christian Community”

Our children will flourish, be safe and valued, in a nurturing Christian community. They will aspire to be the best that they can be; believe in their abilities and gain the courage and confidence to achieve their goals.

Our Christian Vision is lived out through the values of **Kindness, Courage and Respect** and illustrated through the parable of **The Seed and The Sower**

The seed planted in the good earth represents those who hear the Word, embrace it, and produce a harvest beyond their wildest dreams" Mark 4:20

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