



Newsletter

Friday 22nd July 2022

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 22nd July
Monday 25th July-
Friday 5th August
Wednesday 7th September

School closes for summer holidays 2.30pm
Summer holiday club 9am – 3pm

School re-opens

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.

➤ **Summer Holidays**

We would like to thank you all for the cards, gifts and kind words and wish you all a happy and relaxing summer holiday and look forward to seeing you back at school on Wednesday 7th September.

➤ **School Start times for September**

Please note the following start times for each class:

- 8.40 for register at 8.50 Preschool (8.50-11.50 are the times for a morning session)
- 8.40 for register at 8.50 Reception
- 8.30 for register at 8.50 Y1-2
- 8.30 for register at 8.40 Y3-6

Please ensure that your child is in the school building promptly so that they can be ready to start lessons at their allocated time. Late arrivals are noted.

➤ **New Parent Governor**

We would like to congratulate Mr Luke Tabiner on becoming our new parent governor. His role as governor will commence in September 2022.

➤ **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.

➤ 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

At the end of this newsletter there is a form which gives details. If anyone would like a paper copy, please call in at the school office.

➤ The Week Junior

Please follow the link below, which gives details of a summer reading challenge. You can get 6 issues free when you subscribe.

https://theweekjunior.co.uk/sor-stan?utm_medium=referral&utm_source=influencer&utm_campaign=twj-uk-influencer-sor-2022&utm_content=dairyfreestan

➤ Summer at Thorp Perrow

Please see the poster below, which gives details of a variety of summer holiday activities at Thorp Perrow.



➤ Harrogate Community Foundation Summer Holiday Club

Please see details below of a summer holiday club which will be held at Boroughbridge High School.



➤ Aldborough and Boroughbridge Show

The Aldborough and Boroughbridge show is back for 2022 after 2 years of absence due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This will take place on Sunday 24th July at Newby Hall.

There are a range of competitions to get involved with including children's classes, adults handicrafts, baking and floral art and many more. It would be great to see a range of entries, all schedules are available on our website using the link below.

If you have any further questions or queries please let me know and I'll help as best as I can.

<https://www.boroughbridgeshow.co.uk/#OurStory>

Lizzy Elgie

Hon Secretary

Aldborough & Boroughbridge Show

Sunday 24th July 2022, Newby Hall, HG4 5AE

www.boroughbridgeshow.co.uk

➤ York Summer Football Camp

Please see the flyer below for more information on a football fun week.



SUMMER FOOTBALL FUN WEEK
AT ENERGISE LEISURE CENTRE (YORK HIGH SCHOOL)
COBLENDS ROAD, ACORNHILL, YORK, YO24 1HX
MONDAY 25th – FRIDAY 29th JULY 2022
10.00 a.m. – 3.00 p.m. (FOR BOYS AND GIRLS AGES 4 - 13)



Dear Parents,

We are pleased to inform you that following the outstanding success of previous courses and the weekly coaching sessions, we are organising the 2022 Summer Football Fun Week.

The children will be coached by CRB POLICE CHECKED and F.A. QUALIFIED COACHES who are used to working with and helping the 'best' out in children. The coaches will develop self-confidence and self-esteem through encouragement and positive reinforcement. FOOTBALL IS NOT JUST FOR THE STAR PLAYERS!

The course is tightly structured with the players fully supervised at all times. All children are catered for from the absolute beginner to the more experienced players. Players are grouped together according to age, ability and experience. We have fantastic facilities including the outdoor all-weather pitches.

The course is for 1 day from 10.00am – 3.00pm with lunch from 12.15 – 1.00pm where the children can eat a packed lunch brought from home. The club is fully supervised so children may be left in our care, however parents are welcome to stay and watch if they wish to. On Friday at 3.00pm there is a presentation where parents and friends are most encouraged to come and see the players receive their awards.

The cost of the course is \$1800 per day if your child is attending less than 5 days. We also offer **HALF-PRICE DISCOUNT (\$400)** for the second and subsequent children in the same family, which covers all coaching, sessions, trophies, certificates and many other events provided. ALL CHILDREN ARE GUARANTEED TO RECEIVE AT LEAST ONE TROPHY AND CERTIFICATE.

Stefan Hughes (Course Co-ordinator)

TO BOOK A PLACE PLEASE TEXT 'YORK SUMMER' + CHILD'S NAME + AGE to 07846 770 250

(YOU WILL RECEIVE CONFIRMATION BY TEXT THEN REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT IS MADE ON THE FIRST MORNING OF THE COURSE)

➤ Summer Reading Challenge

Please find details below of this year's Summer Reading Challenge.



Get inventive with the Summer Reading Challenge 2022!

Children can once again sign up for the Summer Reading Challenge at their local library during the holidays. This year the theme is Gadgeteers and is all about getting creative with science and inventions. The challenge for children is to read 6 library books of their choice and collect special stickers and other prizes along the way – everyone who finishes will receive a limited edition Gadgeteers medal and a certificate. Any child aged 4 to 11 can join in and the challenge runs from Sat 16th July until Sat 10th Sept. There will also be a fantastic programme of activities in libraries all summer, many of them free, to go with the challenge – flyers with more details will be sent to school for children to bring home.

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➤ **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.

➤ **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>

➤ **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

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/martoncumgraftonps/?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

MAKE SAVINGS by claiming your FREE SCHOOL MEAL



As you probably know, Free School Meal awareness has been increased recently across the media.

Save time and money by claiming your free school meal allowance today. You can get free school meals if your child attends a local authority maintained school and you receive one of the listed benefits.

DO YOU
RECEIVE ANY
OF THESE?

- Child Tax Credit
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- An income-related employment and support allowance
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Income Support
- State Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit during the four week period immediately after your employment finished, or after you start to work less than 16 hours per week.
- Universal Credit, provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400 (£616.67 per month)

THERE ARE TWO TYPES OF FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Universal Free School Meals (UFSM)

Pupils in Reception and KS1 all receive a free hot meal or sandwich, fruit or yoghurt each day and don't need to apply. All you need to do is inform your school that you wish your child to have a daily hot meal.

Free School Meals (FSM)

Pupils may be entitled to a Free School Meal. However, with FSM you will need to apply. The link on this sheet is for your local authority and there is also a link to the Government website about FSM. Your child's school will also have an application form, if you wish to complete the application by hand.

Whether taking advantage of UFSM or FSM, a hot meal (2 choices of main course) or a sandwich, along with a dessert of the day, or fresh fruit or yoghurt and a drink will be the daily choice.

The menus are displayed on the school website and if your child has a food allergy or intolerance, our Catering Manager will discuss the options for your child and accommodate the allergen requirements.

NEED MORE INFO?

Visit...
www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals

OR ASK IN THE SCHOOL OFFICE FOR
AN FSM APPLICATION FORM

WWW.MELLORSCATERING.CO.UK

Fill this in, cut it out and hand it to the school reception to start claiming your child's UFSM!

Child's full name:.....

Child's Class:.....

Date you wish to
start the UFSM:.....

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