



Together We Achieve

Newsletter

Friday 24th March 2017

Term Dates 2016/17

24th March
Red Nose Day

26th March
Mothers' Day

29th March
Biathlon for KS2

31st March
KS2 Cross Country at Nafferton
Primary, 4pm

3rd April
Class photographs

5th April
Tennis coaching in school

6th April
Hockey Tournament Y5/6

7th April
School closes for Easter at
3.20pm

24th April
Training Day, school closed

25th April
School reopens

28th April
Tour De Yorkshire

1st May
Bank Holiday

Fair Achievers!

We have been awarded with the FairAchiever Award which is the final step in the Fairtrade Schools Award. This means we have fully embedded Fairtrade as part of our school and we work to raise awareness of Fairtrade in our local community.

Thank you to all of the parents and children who have supported our Fairtrade fortnights including the Fairtrade Breakfast and Fairtrade Break. Across school we learn about Fairtrade in every year group at some point in the year and where it links with our topics. In addition to this our Year 6 Fairtrade Ambassadors continue to raise the profile of Fairtrade by holding assemblies and going on visits. As a school, we will continue to push the Fairtrade agenda and hope to involve even more of the local community in the future. Mrs Burkinshaw has overseen the majority of work in this area and we thank her greatly for that.



Club Changes

There will be no Board Games Club with Miss Anderson next week or the week after. It will return as Nature Detectives after the Easter break.

There will be no after school clubs run by staff in the last week of term, the week commencing 3rd April. We will be having additional staff training that week. Our outside providers will continue as normal (e.g. Judo, Goal Sports etc.)

Parents

Sorry we had to cancel our range of workshops for last week; we unfortunately did not have enough interest to run the event.

However, we will schedule another date in the summer term and hopefully this will run as intended. Also thank you to everyone who completed our Parents Questionnaire, the results are extremely positive and I will publish these for you soon.

First Savers Bank

Reminder – we run First Savers Bank in school every Tuesday, and one of our school governor's, Mrs Audrey Bjorndal, gives up her time to make this happen. It is open in the ICT Suite, 8.30 -9am and is a great way to encourage children to save and learn about money.

Children can pay in as much or as little as they like and certificates are given out when a child reaches certain milestones in their savings. Any child opening a new account is given a free 'piggy' money box to help them save, and throughout the year there are competitions where prizes can be won.

We would love to open more accounts for children, or even siblings that do not attend the school. If you have any queries, call in on a Tuesday morning for a chat.



Fundraising Thank You!

Our thoroughly exciting day with GB Athlete Jenny Wallwork was enjoyed by all. As well as an inspiring assembly, the children took part in sponsored fitness workshops – the money raised supports Team GB athletes and promoting sports in school. Currently we have £396 raised, and you have until Monday to bring in any final amounts. What an amazing total!

Today has seen us enjoy a red themed Comic Relief. The School Council serenaded us in Achievement Assembly, and we have managed to raise at least £350 to date for an extremely worthwhile cause.



Parking

We are pleased to say we have had fewer reports of people parking in front of school, and I think the banner out there is a very good reminder of the dangers. We are aware that some people have been making the effort to walk, which in the long run will hopefully lead to less of a congestion issue.

We would request if you could still continue to park away from school if you do have to drive, which would help enormously too – people are blocking off large chunks of the car park to drop children off which means that staff cannot park in the car park. If you do pull up into this space, if you could avoid blocking off large parking areas this would be greatly appreciated.

Tour De Yorkshire

On Friday 28th April the Tour De Yorkshire will make its way through Driffield. This could be the last time it comes so closely through our area, and we understand that many people will line the streets of Driffield and the surrounding area to view the famous journey.

Unfortunately, getting the whole school to a venue, and not being able to guarantee a site or the safety of it, means that we won't be taking the children to observe the riders. However, we completely understand you may wish to take children and provide them with this opportunity and we will approve absences on the afternoon as this is a unique occasion. A letter will go out next week asking you to declare if you will be taking children out of school as we will need to prepare lunch numbers for the day.