



City Of York Council

Fishergate Primary School  
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Healthy Schools

## NEWSLETTER No.6

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Thank you for your support over this half term. We are continuing to work hard to ensure each child makes progress and develops into a well-rounded young person with a full set of skills and positive attitudes that will remain with them as they grow up. We continue to work creatively with the curriculum whilst also developing the essential skills of literacy and maths. This year we are especially focussing on writing skills and I hope you have been able to see improvements in your child's writing ability!

### Parent Interviews

A final reminder that there are opportunities for parents to meet with teachers after half term in **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November.** **Please do take this opportunity and arrange an appointment.** If both dates are inconvenient, please speak to your child's teacher to arrange a mutually convenient time. I have asked teachers to follow up those they have not been able to see with a letter and a special invite. **We really want to see everyone.** Look out for displays in both halls about our work to develop our Aims and Mission Statement. We really want your views on this too.

### Swine 'Flu update

We now have one confirmed case of swine 'flu in our Early Years and some others in wider family members. Please let us know if there are further cases in school. There seem to be a number of children absent from school with various bugs at the moment.

### Tree Planting

We have been looking at our outside environment and plans

*are in place to develop the field and playground in the coming years. We would like to plant some trees on the field to create a shady area.*

*You will recall the sad death of Herbie's mum, Lisa, recently. A group of parents and staff joined family and friends at the funeral to say goodbye to Lisa and to show our love and support to Herbie and his dad, Chris.*

*We would like to dedicate the trees we plant to Herbie's mum and create a lasting memorial to her. I am sure this is something she would have loved! I will keep you informed about how this progresses. In the meantime, we continue to remember Herbie and Chris and the family in their sadness.*



## Forthcoming Events

Our choir will be busy after half term taking part in the **National Choir Concert at the Royal Albert Hall in London**. This is a fantastic opportunity for our school!

We have a music project week taking place during the week beginning **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November** with Y5/6 children taking part in a music project with **Southbank Sinfonia**.

The Y5/6 Residential Visit to Robinwood is also coming up on **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> November**.

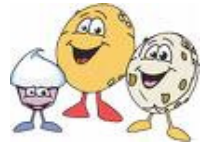
There is a non-uniform day for **Christmas Fair on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November**, and the fair is on **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December, 6 - 8pm**.

### Bonfire Menu – Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November

Choice of Sausage/Vegetarian Sausage or Beef Burger in a Bread Roll  
Oven baked Potato Skins  
Roasted parsnips/carrots/onions/peppers

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Homemade Smiley Face Ginger Biscuit  
Or  
Choice of Fresh Fruit



**Reminder: School Photo** - If you haven't already done so, and you would like to order a photograph of your child(ren), can you please send in your photo return by **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November, along with payment to your class teacher**. The Photographer will be collecting them on that day.

Finally, we return to school on **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November** after half term. May I wish you a lovely, restful week.

Best wishes

Andy Herbert  
(Headteacher)