



City Of York Council

Fishergate Primary School  
Fishergate  
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## NEWSLETTER No.16

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Dear Parent/Carer,

### **School Food Trust Promotion**

Thanks to all who have responded saying they would like their child to have free school meals each day in the week beginning **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February**. There are still children in each class from whom we have not heard! If no slip or note is returned by **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January** this week, your **child will need to bring a packed lunch for the whole of that week.** *(Because of the amount of planning involved by our Cook and kitchen staff, only the meals already pre-booked can be catered for, therefore it will not be possible to book a meal on the day).* **It is really important that you send a response in before the deadline.** There is a response slip at the bottom of the newsletter for parents to send in.

### **Police Warning**

I have received a warning from North Yorkshire Police that there has been an increase in the number of burglaries in the Fishergate area. Thieves have been targeting both business and residential properties. Please be on your guard.



### **ICT Developments**

This year we are focussing on ICT with training for staff and children will have some new and exciting opportunities to develop their skills through using the computers in school.

This term we have been using two new software packages, **Photostory 3** and **Audacity**. Both of these are free to download. If any families want to have a look at home, if you search for them through Google (or another search engine) you can download them for use at home.

We are developing our website. The latest addition is access to all recent Newsletters on line through the website. Log on to [www.fishergateschool.com](http://www.fishergateschool.com) and follow the links. For the time being, paper copies will still come home usually on a Thursday, but we would like to move gradually to using electronic versions for all who have internet access at home. More details about this in due course.

**Packed Lunches**

Many families are choosing to bring their own packed lunch for their children. We do encourage these to be as healthy as possible and the children themselves are very knowledgeable about this! We have noticed an increase in the number of fizzy drinks recently - we would discourage this. Fruit juices, smoothies or even water are better, healthier options.



Thank you once again for your support, especially over issues raised recently. I am really grateful and appreciate the strong partnership we have with parents.

Yours sincerely,

Andy Herbert  
(Headteacher)

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**Return slip**

Name of Pupil.....Class Teacher.....

My child will/will not (Please delete as appropriate) be taking advantage of free school meals between 9-13<sup>th</sup> February.

Signed.....Please print name.....

