



Fishergate Primary School

Newsletter April 2019

A message from the Headteacher

Another term almost at an end – I really don't know where the time goes! We bid a sad farewell to Rachel Tessier and Leah Hulse and wish them both all the best for the future. We look forward to welcoming Rachel Haffey, who will be teaching one of our Y3/4 classes for the summer term and Kate Edwards and Libby Higgins who are joining our teaching assistant team.

I have just had the pleasure of watching the Year 3/4 production of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. It was jam-packed with brilliant acting, singing and dancing – a huge congratulations to all involved. Thank you for a highly entertaining afternoon.

Since our last newsletter we have also had a whole school Science day – expertly organised by our Science leaders – Di Ekers and Sarah Wilson. There was a real buzz around school for the whole day. Chris (Cleo's Dad) opened the day with an action-packed and very informative assembly and the children went on to do a range of activities. If you haven't done so yet then look on our twitter feed to see what we got up to.

We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday 29th April and wish you a happy and restful Easter holiday.

Tina Clarke

The Greatest Showman evening held by Friends was a huge success enjoyed by all. The wear something red day for Comic relief raised £245.70 for this worthy cause.

Remember we are supporting the Mental Health Choir so it's non-uniform day tomorrow.



World Book Day 2019

World Book Day was another huge success this year. The efforts of staff were truly excellent, with firm favourites this year being Mr Pennington as fantastic Mr Fox, Mrs Buck as Miss Trunchball and Ms Collinson as Queen of Hearts. Pupils had lots of fun reading various books with teachers moving to another phase to share stories with pupils other than their usual class. Overall, a great day was had by all, reminding us about why reading is so important.

Labelling Children's clothes.

Please could everyone ensure that **all children's clothing** is clearly **labelled** with their child's name. This can easily be done using a permanent marker pen and will save on the confusion and wastage of school clothes at the end of every term.

Site Manager and cleaner required

We are currently advertising for an additional Site Manager for 15.25 hours and a cleaner for 16.25 hours. If you would be interested in working at Fishergate Primary School please look at the School website for further details.

Please look at our lettings board for details of our classes held within School.

Dinner bands

At lunchtime children are given a coloured wristband depending on which lunch they choose. As mentioned in the last newsletter the bands keep going missing. An invention competition has been held within School and two teams of pupils came up with the brilliant idea of using a stamp on the hand of the children with a colour depicting what lunch they are having that day. This idea is being looked into to put in place at school to see how practical it would be on a day to day basis. We will update you if we decide to put this system into place.

Some of the topics in School this month

Early Years Unit

On going interests are investigating colour changes and lots of small world play making different Cities. In Forest schools the children hunted for eggs and then the forest fairy magically turned them into chocolate eggs.

KS1

Members of the Fire service have been in this week to discuss fire safety and show the children some fire equipment.

KS2

The healthy eating project has taken over the staffroom for a day, as the children have been involved in creating their own recipes ranging from smoothie's to Spaghetti Bolognaise.

Polite reminder - Considerate parking

A reminder to parents to take care when driving / parking on Escrick Street, for Health and Safety reasons. We ask that parents please be respectful of our local community and park considerately when dropping-off/picking-up pupils at school. We have had a number of complaints about cars being parked illegally and blocking Escrick Street which causes a danger to our children. Thank you.

Paperless School

In future all Newsletters will be 'mailed' to the children's first contact and placed onto the School website. If you would like a paper copy a few will be put in the holder outside the School office.

Known Dates of events – Further details will follow:

Friday 12th April

Non Uniform day for Mental Health Choir

Friday 12th April

Break for Easter at 2:30pm

Monday 29th April

Children return to School

Friday 3rd May

Star Wars Marathon Day

Monday 6th May

Bank Holiday – Children not in School

Friday 10th May

Quiz night to support NSPCC

May 2019

Family Workshops – See below

17th May 2019

Friends Spring Festival 3:30 to 5:00

Monday 20th May

School Class photos

Friday 24th May

Break up at 3:15pm for May half term

Tuesday 4th June

Everyone back to School

Contact us:

Tel: School 01904 555335

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Family Learning workshops coming soon to The Avenues

York Family Learning is committed to working with families in the York area to support and encourage their child's learning and development. Starting on the 1st May we will be running a series of free, two-hour workshops (with free childcare places available on request) at The Avenues Children's Centre. So come along and find out how we can help you and your family.

Workshop 1	Getting more from stories: Wednesday 1 st May
Workshop 2	Seasonal craft activities: Wednesday 8 th May
Workshop 3	Helping with times tables: Wednesday 15 th May
Workshop 4	Healthy meals on a budget: Wednesday 22 nd May

For more information about the workshops or to book a free place/childcare, please call family learning on 07785 546366 or email: family.learning@york.gov.uk