



Fishergate Primary School

Newsletter 9th November 2018

Childrens clothing

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.

A message from the Headteacher

I hope that you all had a lovely half term and that you enjoyed some family time with maybe a firework or two. School is going to be as busy as ever this half term. We have already had a KS1 maths workshop and the Y5/6s are attending the '100 Years 1000' voices event at York University on Friday. There is also the Remembrance Event in school this Saturday from 2pm - 4pm .

In the weeks to come we have: a whole school History day, Y3/4 parents' maths and English workshops, KS1 writing workshop, house sports competitions, KS1 and EYU Christmas productions, the Christmas fair, Christmas parties and Carols by Candlelight. I hope to see as many of you as possible at these events.

You should all have had appointment slips for the Parent Consultations on Wednesday and Thursday of next week. If you haven't yet made an appointment please catch your child's teacher to arrange a time.

Finally, I thought that you would like to know that we had a visit from head teachers and a senior leader from other York schools on Tuesday. They came to carry out a 'peer review' - looking at how we teach maths across the school. They felt that Fishergate is a welcoming, warm and safe environment in which staff and pupils exhibit outstanding relationships with each other". They saw children who were keen to tackle problems and who remained resilient when faced with challenge. They also thought that the children were polite, well-mannered and well-behaved and finally they commented on how inclusive we are as a school.

Needless to say, I am extremely proud of the staff team and the children. Fishergate really is a very special place to work and I feel very privileged to be the head teacher of such a wonderful school.

Tina Clarke

History Day tomorrow

Just a little reminder that tomorrow, Saturday 10th November 2018, Fishergate, Fulford and Heslington History Society will be remembering the 86 pupils of Fishergate School who were involved in Armistice day 100 years ago. There will be pictures and readings from our biographies and School will be open 14:00 until 16:00. Come and find out about this important history event relating to our School.

Details on the last page of the newsletter

Rainbows and Brownies at Fishergate

We would like to share
the following:

The FUN STARTS HERE

Girlguiding at Fishergate

Rainbows age 5 to 7 yrs

Brownies age 7 to 10 yrs

*Let your daughter build
social skills, make new
friends, crafts, games,
singing and working
towards earning badges.*

*We meet on Monday
evenings at Fishergate
School. Please contact
Brown Owl on 07870 121
135 or register on
[www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-
forparents/register-your-
daughter](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-forparents/register-your-daughter)*

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

Parent Pay

We are a cashless School
and so all payments
should be made to School
via ParentPay. Please do
not bring cash to
Reception.

If you require login
details please contact the
school office.

For future charity events
we will still collect the
cash in the classrooms as
we have always done
previously.

THANK YOU...

A huge thank you to our fabulous Friends of Fishergate for all of their work last half term. The cake stalls that they work so hard to run are a fantastic way of raising extra funds to allow teachers to buy those "little extras". The Halloween Disco and Pumpkin extravaganza were both brilliantly attended and the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

BOOK FAIR

The Book Fair will be on from Wednesday 14th November to Monday 19th November, from 3.15 to 3.45 in the Lower Hall. The Book Fair generates a lot of free books for each class, chosen by the children themselves, so it is well worth supporting.

In order to keep the Fair from being too crowded, each phase has its own night:

Early Years - Wednesday 14th November
Key Stage One - Thursday 15th November
Year 3/4 - Friday 16th November
Year 5/6 - Monday 19th November

It will be great to see you there!

Notice boards and access to information throughout the school.

The majority of the information that is sent out to parents can be found on our website. www.fishergateschool.com

We have a parent's notice board in the main reception area, with a leaflet dispenser which holds information such as term dates, dates of clubs, change of pupil details, the dinner menu and medical forms. Please ensure your own contact details are kept up to date just in case we need to get in touch.

We also have a small notice board in both halls and leaflet dispensers in the lower hall promoting various safety items and local activities.

Lunchtime Supervisor Required

This may be your opportunity to have a little more involvement at Fishergate Primary School.

We require a Mid-day supervisor so if any parents are interested or know of someone who may be interested please call at the School office for an application form and further details.

Parking

You may be aware from discussions with your child that we have been having assemblies and talks about parking sensibly around our School. This has always been an issue but we would ask that parents consider others, especially pedestrians, adhere to the parking restrictions and wherever possible park a little further away from School or walk the short distance to School.

The car park at the top of Escrick Street is a staff permit holder car park so please don't park here as if staff are blocked in, it restricts them from keeping to their timetable.

Collecting children at the end of the day.

On the last newsletter we mentioned about parents leaving school by the door that they entered the School rather than leaving by the main front door. Most parents are following this request now and so the office staff are aware who is coming into the building, enabling them to safeguard our children.

Since we returned from the half term break the Early Years unit are now entering school via the gate in Escrick Street. The shed has been moved to the back of the playground and new fencing put in place to ensure our children are safe. This has had a positive effect within School as the hall is quieter and children are now quickly settling into the school day.

Again can we request that parents take note of the start and collection times for their child's class and please do not come into the hall until five minutes before this time. Once in the hall please control your children and stay as quiet as possible. This will avoid the disruption of teacher's preparation time and teaching but also prevent overcrowding in the hall.

Early Years Unit	Start 8:30	Collection 15:15
KS1 and KS2	8:40	15:15

Most parents do arrive on time to collect their child but please note that the end of the School day is 15:15 and your child should be collected at this time except in extreme circumstances.

Gamelan Music Sessions

A series of music workshops to introduce young people to the gamelan, which is a bronze percussion instrument from Indonesia and is played together as an ensemble. The workshops will be at York Music Centre three times each term, with sessions suitable for anyone aged 8-18. It will be a chance to play on genuine gamelan instruments and explore playing an interesting style of music in a group with others. Sessions are free but a place would need to be booked in advance by contacting emily.crossland@york.ac.uk.

Poster on Parents noticeboard in Main Reception area

Known Dates of events – Further details will follow

Saturday 10 th November	Historian group	14:00 until 16:00
Friday 16 th November	Beetle Drive	18:00 until 20:15
Wednesday 14 th November		
until Monday 19 th November	Book Fair	15:15 until 15:45
Friday 7 th December	Christmas Fair	15:30 until 17:30
W/c 10 th December	Christmas Shop	Further details to follow
Wednesday 19 th December	Carols by Candlelight	17:30 onwards

Contact us:
Tel: School 01904 555335
Absence Line 553869

Fishergate, Fulford & Healington Local History Society

100 Years Since the Armistice



Remembering the 86 pupils of Fishergate School

**Pictures and readings
from our biographies**

2-4pm Sat. 10 Nov. At the school

www.ffhyork.weebly.com