Knavesmire Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Friday 5th July 2024

Mr Cooper and Mr Gardiner's Message

Dear Parents/Carers/Families,

The public has spoken! At school this week, we have been learning about democracy by voting for a school treat! Classes represented constituencies, individuals all had votes (no photo ID needed!), and a school election decision was made. From four options, a landslide victory for a non-uniform day was the result! I don't believe we need to go to see King Charles to ratify this! Non-uniform day will be on the last day of term, Friday 19th July.

Penalty shootout update: I can hardly get out of bed in the morning, Mr Gardiner is 20 years younger than me, but almost as achey! All classes (with exception of Y6) have taken their penalties. Lots of children have taken part, so thank you! Year 6 will be taking theirs on Tuesday morning as I'm having some professional coaching over the weekend! We are asking for all sponsorship payments to be collected (cash or parent pay) and brought into the school by Thursday (with sponsor form) so that I can order prizes on Friday! Thanks for all of your support with this.

It's been a busy week...but it should be at this time of the year! Thanks for your support with transition, plays, trips, and for continuingly sending us positive vibes.

Have a lovely weekend,



WELCOME TO OUR NEW NEWSLETTER

We hope that the new School Newsletter format will prove helpful in better communicating information between school and home.

While ever evolving we will broadly including the following sections - please click on the links below to move directly to any section (direct links may not work on all devices):

- Whole School Information
- Trips, Activities and Performances
- Key Dates
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WHOLE SCHOOL INFORMATION



FREE SCHOOL MEALS AND THE KNAVESMIRE OFFER

If your family qualifies for free school meals (aside from the universal free school meals for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) you will also qualify for The Knavesmire offer. This means, in addition to free school meals, families can be provided with:



- a school jumper <u>or</u> a school cardigan
- a school footwear voucher
- School milk
- one term free swimming travel costs
- two half-terms of free extra-curricular club participation
- free school trips
- negotiated costs for residential visits

Please come to the school office for a form so we can order your child's jumper/cardigan, shoe voucher and milk.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS ELIGIBILITY

Free School Meals are automatically applied to all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. This entitlement can be extended to children where families are in receipt of certain benefits and earnings do not exceed a threshold. These benefits include:

Universal Credit, Income Support, Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance, Child Tax Credit (but not Working Tax Credit)

North Yorkshire County Council have launched an online portal for free school meal applications that will give you an instant decision on whether your application is successful: https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/free-school-meals

HEALTH & SAFETY

We kindly ask that children do not use scooters or bikes on the school playground at pick up or drop off times.

WHOLE SCHOOL INFORMATION



SCHOOL LIBRARY

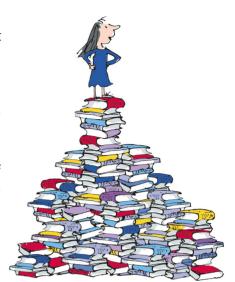
The School Library is now CLOSED for the school year - how did we get here so quickly?!

The current Year 5 have been getting to grips with some Library sessions ahead of their move up to Year 6 - our new Library Assistants in the making!

We are still asking for the return of **ALL Library books before the end of term.** If you have any Library books at home they can be returned to the drop-box in the School Office at any time.

See you next year for more exciting developments in the Library!

Miss Smith



CLOTHES BANK

Our fundraising and recycling clothes bank is situated at the entrance of the car park to the rear of the school. Please click on the following link to see Mrs Wogan-Wells from Y6 explain a little more about how it all works.

https://online.fundraiserecycleltd.co.uk/bank?bankld=KnavesmirePrimary-School

Please use the facility to donate any unwanted clothes.

REFUGEE APPEAL

NOW ACCEPTING ALL CLOTHING DONATIONS. Donations for all age groups will go to the refugee home in Bradford. Please drop any donations into the school office foyer. Please make sure all donations are as good as new or new, washed and clean. There is no capacity to wash once donated so this is really important. Underwear and toiletries including sanitary items are always needed and have to be new. Donations for men in particular are harder to get and most needed. Thank you so much!

SCHOOL MILK

If you want to register your child for school milk, simply visit www.coolmilk.com/register

HEALTH AND WELLBEING

NITS

Please be extra vigilant in checking your child's hair, we have an increasing amount of cases throughout the school. For information on how to spot & treat, please click on the NHS website. Do note that in many instances, nits look a bit like dandruff.

Whilst we cannot enforce it, we recommend long hair is tied back to help prevent further spread of headlice - thank you.

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-andnits/

LOST PROPERTY

All unnamed lost property will be put in the gazebo. Please have a good look through and claim anything that belongs to your child before it's either donated or recycled by the end of term.

Check the Friends of Knavesmire Facebook page to view any valuable #lostandfound items.

https://www.facebook.com/groups/14023395 9376362/permalink/6818721288194229/

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CLOTHES LABELS

If you'd like to order name labels for clothing etc, you may want to use https://www.stikins.co.uk as the school will receive 30% commission to put towards school funds from every order where the fundraising number is quoted. Our Fundraising Number Is: 11349

SCHOOL CLASS PHOTOS

Your child should have come home with your photo proof card. If it has been midlaid, please go to www.pics4schools.com and enter the code from the card you'll be able to choose from the selection of images of your child's class. To get free delivery to school, order online by 9th July 2024.

Thank you Poyner Photography

COFFEE CART

Great news, the Coffee Cart has reopened! Come and say hello to us and have a lovely brew before (or after) work on a morning. Some of our fantastic Year 5 students help to run the Coffee Cart, so please come and support us.

Many thanks, Mr Taylor

PARENT PAY LUNCH ACCOUNTS

Please ensure any outstanding lunch debts are cleared before the end of term. If you have credit on your account, this will be carried forward into the new school year.

MENU CHANGE

There will be the following menu changes:

Monday 8/7/24 Red - chicken and tomato pasta bake Green - veggie pasta bake

Tue 9/7/24 & Tues 16/7/24 Red - chicken wraps Green - veggie nugget wraps

RSPCA COLLECTION BOX

This charity box will be collected on the last day of term, so if you have any final donations please visit the office.

TRIPS, ACTIVITIES AND PERFORMANCES

Year 3

<u>Swimming voluntary contributions</u> - Thank you to everyone who has made payments. For anyone who hasn't made a payment for this term, we would be grateful for any more contributions to help with the cost of this activity.

Year 4

<u>Violin Concert on 12/07/24</u> - 9.15am in the school Hall <u>4GR to Robin Hood's Bay, 15/07/24 to 16/07/24</u> - Thank you all for completing the google form! <u>4GH to Robin Hood's Bay, 16/07/24 to 17/07/24</u> - Thank you all for completing the google form!

Year 5

MAT Arts Fest 2024 at York Barbican on 09/07/24 - See email sent 13/03/24 for full information.

<u>Playhouse Project at York Theatre Royal on 11/07/24</u> - There are still a number of tickets in the office awaiting collection. Please pick these up ASAP.

Barcelona 2025 - Please see Mr Cooper's letter sent today (05/07/24) be email.

Year 6

Crucial Crew Workshop at York College on 12/07/24 - See email sent 02/05/24.

Treat Day Trip on 16/07/24 - See email sent 24/05/24.

Year 6 Play on 10/07/24 at 6pm and 11/07/24 at 1.30pm and 6pm - See email sent 07/06/24. Tickets are live on the booking system.

Graduation on 18/07/24 at 5pm - See email sent 07/06/24 for full information.

Music

<u>National Sing Up Day. 26th June</u> is National Sing Up Day and we will be participating by singing the song 'I Belong' in a whole school assembly on Wednesday. I'm sure many children have come home singing the song so here is a link if you'd like to sing together at home: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bcr4o2zW3is
Sing Up is a not-for-profit organisation who provide existing and original songs and resources to encourage more singing in schools.



CLUBS



CLUBS IN SCHOOL

The following clubs and music lesson are run in school by external organisations. Please contact them directly for more information or to book a place.

Organisation	Activity	Contact details
Ignite Sports	Ignite run sports clubs after school on a Monday and Friday and also on a Friday lunchtime.	You can sign up for these sessions on Ignite's website. www.ignitesportscoaching.co.uk or email: info@ignitesportscoaching.co.uk
Dance with Miss Caroline	Miss Caroline runs drama, cheerleading and street dance clubs for all school aged children on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday lunchtime and after school on a Tuesday and Wednesday.	To sign up for these sessions please follow this link https://forms.office.com/r/EcTcaRbU9c or for more info, email Miss Caroline: dancewithmisscaroline@outlook.com
Circus Skills	Circus Stu runs a circus skills club for all school aged children. This takes place on a Friday lunchtime.	To sign up please email Stu: stuart@circusskillsyorkcic.org or go to the website: www.circusskillsyorkcic.org
Rocksteady	Rocksteady are in Knavesmire on a Wednesday in school hours. Children can choose from the electric guitar, keyboard, drums or vocals.	For more information and to sign up, go to Rocksteady's website: www.rocksteadymusicschool.com
Clare's Kitchen	Clare runs sessions for all school aged children after school on a Monday. These sessions give children the opportunity to plan, prepare & cook their own nutritional meal, then dine together.	To sign up please email Clare: clareskitchen@yahoo.co.uk
Chess Club	This club in run on Tuesday and Thursdays after school for years 1,2 and 3. The clubs are run by Larry, a parent volunteer. The club is currently full, however, Larry would love more helpers at the sessions so he can accommodate more children.	If you are interested in being a parent helper please contact Larry by email. shroud.king@gmail.com

MUSIC LESSONS IN SCHOOL

Instrument	Name	Contact details
Guitar	Steve Powell	stevepowell726@gmail.com
Piano	Carolyn Amos	carolynamos@hotmail.co.uk
Drums	Alex Woolgar	alexwoolgar1@gmail.com
Singing	Alison Pawley	alisunr@yahoo.com
Violin	Marcus Bousfield	marcus.bousfield@btinternet.com
Brass	Oliver Fulwell	https://yorkmusiced.org.uk/index.php/what-we-do/york-music-centre/enrolment-form

KEY DATES



YEAR	DATE(S)	ACTIVITY
Nursery		
Reception		
Year 1		
Year 2		
Year 3		
Year 4	12/07/24 15 - 16/07/24 16 - 17/07/24	Violin Concert for parents 9.15am 4GR to Robin Hood's Bay. 4GH to Robin Hood's Bay.
Year 5	09/07/24 11/07/24 18/07/24	MAT Arts Fest 2024 at York Barbican - see email sent 13/03/24. Playhouse Project - all day - see email sent 02/05/24 Forest School - all day
Year 6	10/07/24 11/07/24 16/07/24 12/07/24 18/07/24	Year 6 Play at 6pm Year 6 Play at 1.30pm and 6pm Treat Day Trip at Hollywood Bowl and Puttstars Crucial Crew Workshop at York College Year 6 Graduation
The School House		
Other		

FRIENDS OF KNAVESMIRE UPDATE

We hope everyone had a good transition day last Wednesday and doesn't feel so nervous anymore about starting a new chapter in September.

Of course, we also hope you all enjoyed the Knavesmire Sports Evening last Friday as much as we did. We wanted to congratulate all those who participated (including the brave parents in the last two races;)) - you were absolutely amazing. Thankfully the weather played ball and the bbq, the music, our little tuck shop and naturally, the icecream van seemed all very popular (- the Friends alone made over £200). So thanks to everyone who organised, helped, performed and queued. We can't wait for next year!

And then we would like to remind you of our Summer Raffle which we will draw next Friday right after school. A flyer including our great prizes should have reached you by now but if not then you can also find it on our Facebook page and on the bottom of this message. Don't miss out and please buy tickets, tickets. It's our last big fundraiser for this school year and we'd love to end on a high. So don't forget to hand in your raffle tickets and payments till next Friday before the draw.

Have a good weekend everyone.





COOL KIDS CLUB UPDATE

KCKC Bookings Have Changed!!

BOOKINGS FOR SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB AND NEXT YEARS BOOKINGS ARE NOW OPEN - PLEASE BOOK HERE: https://knavesmire-primary.cbfs.uk

****Please see separate communication sent today for an update on this****

In preparation for this changeover we will be raising final combined invoices on ParentPay for June AND July in the first weeks of July, **for payment by the end of July**. Please ensure that any outstanding payments are made for KCKC by the end of the Summer Term as outstanding payments will be escalated through the new provision.

We know that 'Childcare Bookings for Schools' will make the process of booking and paying for KCKC so much smoother and transparent for parents and the school alike. They have a dedicated team who will be on hand to deal with all queries and provide any assistance needed. We will still be operating on a first come, first served basis for bookings.

Please remember to direct all queries about bookings and payments from the Summer Holidays onwards directly to 'Childcare Bookings for Schools':

Tel: 01444 523335

Email: knavesmire@childcarebookingsforschools.co.uk



YEAR GROUP MESSAGES



NURSERY MESSAGES

Hello Nurserv!

We've had a fabulous week with a lot of tie dye!

The children have chosen their colours and enjoyed dipped and mixing their T-shirts in the buckets. The t-shirts look great and we can't wait to show you!

The children have also been recapping their 3D shape knowledge as well as practicing rhyme, alliteration and clapping the syllables in their names and other words.

We look forward to beginning to film our end of year video next week!

We hope you have a lovely weekend,

Miss Copping and the Nursery Team 💚



RECEPTION MESSAGES

Happy Friday! We have had a wonderful week practising all of our songs for our summer performance next week, on Wednesday 10th. The performance will start at the Amphitheatre in Rowntree Park at 10:30. We cannot wait to see you there- fingers crossed for the good weather! This Wednesday, the children had a great time moving up to their new classes for next year. They had a chance to get to know their new teacher, to explore the classroom and to play with their friends. The next transition will be next week, on the afternoon of Wednesday 10th. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Have a lovely weekend, The Reception Team

YEAR 1 MESSAGES

This week, we went to RHS Harlow Carr and explored the gardens. The children used a map to locate features in the garden using lots of directional language along the way. We all had an amazing time, despite the rain and everyone enjoyed looking at all the wonderful things around the garden. We would like to say a huge thank you to the parent helpers who accompanied us on our visit and we hope you had a good time too! This week, we have also been naming and locating the four countries of the United Kingdom and identifying their capital cities. We imagined what it would be like to travel to one of the countries and wrote postcards describing the characteristics we saw while we were there. In Maths, we have been working on using the language of time, identifying the things we do before and after school and sorting activities into morning, afternoon and evening. This week will be the last time reading books come home in Year One as we will begin to collect them back into school from Friday 12th July onwards. Please also make sure any library books are also returned to school as soon as possible.

Thank you for your support and we hope you have a lovely weekend from the Year One team.

YEAR GROUP MESSAGES



YEAR 2 MESSAGES

Year 2 have had another great week! In Maths we have consolidated our times tables knowledge and revised our knowledge of the methods used for the four operations. In English we have researched 'how to save the ocean' in preparation for writing a non-chronological report next week. We were incredibly lucky to have Daniel (who appears on Deadly Mission: Sharks) come in to give us a presentation all about his time in The Bahamas, sharks and conserving the ocean! We are super proud of how well all of the children have done on their first transition session this week, they have loved spending time with their new teachers! Please can we ask you to send your child to school with a strong carrier bag next week so that we can start to send all the children's books and work home!

Have a great weekend! The Year 2 Team

YEAR 3 MESSAGES

This week, we have been on a local walk around the racecourse using compases. We identified key geographical features and where they are in relation to each other. We then designed and created a sketch map of the racecourse! In maths, we have looked at the 24 hour clock and durations of time. Next week, we will look at the formal methods of addition and subtraction to support future learning in Year 4. We have started to write our narratives based on 'The Girl and Robot' and there have been some excellent vocabulary choices all the way through. Maths homework (X table poster) will be inside homework books and spelling homework (-sion ending) will be on Spelling Shed. If your child doesn't have their homework book in school, you should find the sheets in their school bag!

Have a great weekend,

The Year 3 Team

YEAR 4 MESSAGES

In Year 4, we have had a brilliant week preparing for lots of up and coming changes. We will be giving lots of opportunities for time to talk through any questions whilst transition sessions are taking place and we build up to our Robin Hood's Bay trip. In PE, we have also been practising our Archery skills - channelling our Robin Hood skills whilst working on our aim. During English lessons, we have created explanation texts and used our editing skills to review our own independent writing. We are continuing to practise our arithmetic skills ahead of next year. The children have worked really well across all subjects to consolidate their knowledge as we get towards the end of the year.

For next week, we are looking forward to our violin concert on Friday 12th of July at 9.15am! We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible to showcase what the children have learnt this year. As the term comes to an end, we may be sending the children home with work they have produced throughout the year! Please can we ask for the children to have a carrier bag in their locker ready.

Have a great weekend!

From the Year 4 team.

YEAR GROUP MESSAGES



YEAR 5 MESSAGES

Once again, Year 5 have had a really exciting week filled with lots of enriching activities. The week started off with a trip to Milthorpe on Tuesday for an action filled French Cafe. The children were all absolutely amazing and we want to thank every family member who came to visit the French Cafe. A huge thanks goes to Mrs Lupton and the staff at Milthorpe who organised the event. On Thursday, we completed our last rehearsal with Helen from Kinesis Dance in preparation for the Barbican Performance next Tuesday - we are all looking forward to showing you the amazing talent! Both classes are also looking forward to their performances on Thursday at the Theatre Royal. Have a lovely weekend,

The Year 5 Team.

YEAR 6 MESSAGES

The final countdown has begun on our Year 6 production of 'Stranger Frequencies' and Year 6 are rehearsing incredibly hard. We are so excited to show you the fruits of their hard work next week!

A big thank you to all of you for your effort with costumes and to those who donated cardboard for our props.

Next week is a busy one, with our production, Crucial Crew trip and our penalty shoot-out so we recommend a couple of early nights this weekend.

Looking forward to seeing you all at our performances, The Year 6 Team

THE SCHOOL HOUSE MESSAGES

We have had another busy week in the School House and the children have been continuing with their art Big Idea. This week, they have been creating their own self portraits! They looked at lots of different portrait artists and compared their styles and they have then created their own, trying to make them as realistic as possible.

In English, the children have been creating their own illustrated version of 'The Journey' by Aaron Becker. This has been a really creative activity and the children have enjoyed telling a story without words!

As always, if you have any questions, please come and chat to us.

We hope you have a wonderful weekend.

The School House Team



SUMMER HOLIDAYS 2024 MULTI-SPORT CLUBS

MONDAY 22ND JULY - FRIDAY 30TH AUGUST

ACOMB PRIMARY SCHOOL | MONDAY - FRIDAY
WILBERFOSS PRIMARY SCHOOL | TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS

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WHENEVER YOU ARE AROUND WATER



Take time to assess your surroundings.

Look for the dangers and always research local signs and advice.



When around water always go with friends ar family.

Swim at a

IN AN EMERGENCY



Ask for the Fire and Rescue Service when inland and the Caastguard if at the coast.

Don't enter the water to rescue.

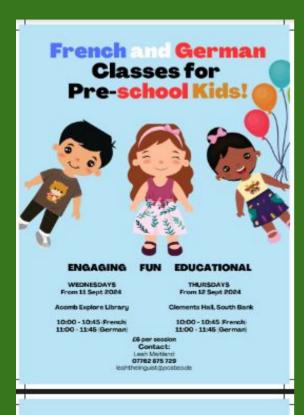


Fall in or become tired – stay calm, float on your back and call for help.

Throw something that floats to somebody







Free taster sessions in August!

28 August - Acomb Explore Library

French 10:00 - 10:45 German 11:00 - 11:45

(Part of Explore York's Summer Reading Challenge. Booking required via Explore York Website).

29 August - Clements Hall, South Bank

French 10:00 - 10:45 German 11:00 - 11:45

Booking required via Leah on 07762 875 729







York Mini & Junior Run

August 4 • 11:35am • Knavesmire, York

Open to runners aged three and up, of all backgrounds and abilities, this popular local event is a fantastic day out for the family. We encourage children of all backgrounds and abilities to take part, including those with disabilities and any other special considerations.

From £8 entry fee

Raise what you can!

Want to get involved?

Contact:

fundraising@familyfund.org.uk

Telephone number: 01904 550033





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