



Dear Parents,

That's it, our first half term is done and dusted! Thank you to all the children for their excellent behaviour and hard work this last half term. I am confident that when the teachers meet with you all formally at the Parent's Evenings in November we will have many positive things to share. I'm sure you'll also be pleased when you look through the children's work!

DOGS ON SCHOOL SITE:

I know that we have a large number of dogs that come onto school site as parents/carers drop off and collect children. Whilst it's lovely to see the four-leggers (as they are always a much loved part of the family) I would ask all dog owners to act courteously towards others by keeping them on a short lead and under strict control. A number of parents have contacted the school to express concern about their children and the intimidation felt (particularly for the smaller children) when near the larger dogs.

May I also request that any dogs are kept in the car park area and not taken onto playgrounds. Thank you.

ANTI BULLYING WEEK:

Any form of bullying or victimisation is unacceptable and not tolerated at our school. We are therefore offering our support by celebrating Anti-Bullying Week this year. The theme is 'All Different, All Equal' with the key thread being that of respect for others. On Monday 12th November we are asking the children to come in odd socks to celebrate this notion of different yet the same!

We're also encouraging all children to go crazy and make themselves a sock puppet over half term if they would like to. These need to be 'odd' and need to celebrate the theme of 'All Different, All Equal'. The winning puppet will win a new pair of socks! Entry is free, just let your creativity go crazy.

We hope to display the winning sock puppets in school and award the prizes on Monday 5th November for the best puppets in EYFS, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2.

<https://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-week/odd-socks-day-anti-bullying-week-0>

CHILDREN IN NEED:

We're also lending our support to Children In Need this year and we are inviting all children to come to school on Friday 16th November wearing something 'Spotty'.

In exchange, we kindly ask for a donation of £1 towards this fantastic cause. Whilst in school, children will be enjoying some fantastic activities and solving problems with Pudsey!

To raise a little extra money we will also be holding a 'Spot the Bear' competition. For 20p, the children are invited to come along to Miss Hill's classroom at morning playtime and at lunchtime between 12.15pm - 12.45pm to guess how many spots are on our teddy bear. For the children with the closest guesses, we'll be handing out some sweet prizes! Winners will be announced in Monday morning's celebration assembly following Friday's Children in Need. Good luck and we can't wait to see all the spots!

MINI LEADER ELECTIONS:

A HUGE well done to everyone who prepared a speech for the mini leader elections this year. All classes have voted and the following leadership candidates were elected:

Representing Year 1 and 2: Jessica Kilner-Love, Georgia Goodwin and Edith Tweed.

Representing Year 3 and 4: Josh Jenkins and Sophie Clegg

Representing Year 5 and 6: Saad Kasi, Freddy Bolton and Katie Lawton.

After half term their first job will be to help us appoint a new member of staff! I can't wait to work with you all this year to make our school a much better place!

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE UPDATE:

After the longest half term of the year our attendance is below:

Miss Welburn's Class: 98.07%

Mrs Green's and Mrs Cooper's Class: 97.33%

Mrs Hesketh's Class: 98.41%

Mrs Bramma's Class: 98.95%

Mrs Cottrell's Class: 97.44%

Miss Pearton's Class: 98.34%

Miss Kempf's Class: 96.12%

Miss Hill's Class: 98.36%

Miss Potter's Class: 96.44%

Overall our attendance is now 97.72%

KEY STAGE 1 AND EYFS NEWS:

We're going to the pantomime this year! Please remember to make payment via ParentPay by 12th November to secure your child's place!

To help cover the costs of the snacks (toast/crackers) and baking ingredients in EYFS we ask for a voluntary contribution of £5 each half term. Please could this be sent in the first week back after half term—unfortunately if we do not receive enough contributions we may need to stop the toast/crackers as snacks.

Also, EYFS children have a A3 sheet in their bags to attach photos to of halloween/autumn activities they may have got up to over the half term holiday. We look forward to seeing what they have been up to!

YEAR 5/6 NEWS:

Year 5 and 6 are having a Netball session in school with Mrs Robson from Outwood Academy on the morning of Wednesday 7th November. Don't forget your kit!

SPORTING NEWS:

It's the annual cross-country competition at Outwood Academy for children in Year 3—6 on 21st November. All children will need jogging bottoms and a warm coat on this date and possibly even a woolly hat!

NETBALL:

Well done to all involved in the recent Cluster Netball matches—we are very pleased to say that we were the overall winners! Congratulations to Annabel Fulford who was our top scorer with 11 goals!

FOOTBALL:

We now also have the confirmed result of the Cluster Football tournament which was so close that the end result came down to goal difference...Alne just beat us this time so we came in with a very close second place. Very well done to all involved and especially to top scorer Rory Hutchinson with a massive 15 goals!

EPIC TOTALS:

A huge congratulations to Miss Hill's class who managed to get an average EPIC point total of 24.5 to win the EPIC Point competition this half term. They will enjoy an hour of games in the hall on Friday 9th November! No need for PE kit, it won't be needed!

ATTENDANCE AWARDS:

Well done to: Aaron Bates, Emily Boyes-Major, Leyla Elsworth, Lacey Goodwin, Jacob Haddon, Tyler McGinlay, Rhys Milburn, James Throup and Arthur Tweed who had their names drawn from their class pot. They enjoyed a cake and a drink of their choice today. Keep up the great attendance!

PARENTPAY:

Please take 5 minutes over half term to check your ParentPay balance and clear any outstanding amounts for trips and lunches. Thank you.

EPIC DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:

We will be holding our annual Secret Santa event again this year with Friday 30th November as a non uniform day for donations—**please ensure that NO NUT PRODUCTS are sent in, including sealed boxes of chocolates.** Friday 7th December will be the Secret Santa shopping day—more details will follow after half term.

POPPIES:

We will be selling poppies and various items of poppy related stationery in aid of the Royal British Legion after half term. If your son/daughter would like to make a purchase they will be available during morning break from Monday 5th November for a donation.

PUMPKIN COMPETITION:

Very well done to all who entered the EPIC Pumpkin Competition this morning—they were all fantastic! £130 was raised for EPIC so thank you for all of your brilliant entries! The winners are as follows:

EYFS: **1st Benjie Hepton**
2nd Max Gilleard
3rd Violet Swales

KS1: **1st Tyler McGinlay**
2nd Oscar Christian
3rd Oliver Cooper

KS2: **1st Eliza Rainbow-Carter**
2nd Kuba Krupinski
**3rd Meadow Adgo/Megan Dunbar/
Abbie Dunbar**

AND FINALLY:...

NUTS

We had a suspected incident of cross-contamination of nut products which was transferred through lunchboxes brought in from home. Can we therefore stress once again that we are a nut free school and would ask all parents to respect the medical needs of a minority of children by not sending nut products into school.

School doors open as usual at 8:40am on Monday 5th November.

Wishing you a relaxing half term break.



Mr C Pearce
Headteacher

Your support for your child's education is crucial to their progress. Please let us know if there are any adjustments we need to make to help you support your child, for example: letters in large font; letters in different languages; wheelchair access; explaining things over the phone?

Spare newsletters are available in the rack outside the office, together with term time dates, holiday forms, uniform order forms Tel: 01347 821282 email: admin@easingwold-pri.n-yorks.sch.uk. Copies of this newsletter can also be viewed in the display board near to the Key Stage 1 playground.

CLUBS W/C 5TH NOV

CLUB	WHEN
Science Club - Years 5/6	Monday 12.30pm-1pm Classroom 1—Mr Neville
Running Club - Years 3/4/5/6	Tuesday 12.40pm-1.10pm Field—Miss Kempf
Choir - Years 4/5/6	Tuesday 12.15pm-12.45pm Miss Hill (in her classroom)
Gardening Club Years 1/2	Wednesday 12.30pm KS1 Playground—Mr Neville *LAST SESSION UNTIL SPRING*
Boxercise Club	Wednesday 3.45pm-4.45pm Mr McGuigan—School Hall
Football Club - Years 5/6	Thursday 3.40pm-4.30pm Miss Potter—Field
Netball Club - Years 5/6	Wednesday 12.40pm-1.10pm Mrs Brama—Playground
Rounders - Years 3/4	Wednesday 12.40pm-1.10pm Miss Pearton—Field
Ukulele -	Wednesday 3.30pm-4.30pm Mr Rudland-Simpson
Tag Rugby - Years 5/6	Thursday 12.15pm-12.45pm Mr Pearce & Mrs Macklam— Field
Football Club - Years 5/6	Thursday 3.40pm-4.30pm Miss Potter—Field
Judo - All Years	Thursday 3.30pm-4.30pm Sensei Tracy—School Hall
Orchestra	Thursday 3.15pm-4pm Ms Butcher
Board Game Club - Years 2/3	Friday 12.30pm-1pm Mrs Hesketh (in her classroom)
Warhammer - Years 3/4/5/6	Friday 3.30pm-4.45pm Mr Geeson

LUNCHTIME MENU W/C 5TH NOV

Monday *BONFIRE LUNCH*	Pizza Catherine Wheel Or Witches Fingers (Sausages) Baked Beans Peas & Sweetcorn
Tuesday	Minced Beef & Dumplings * Jacket Potato with Cheese * Date, Oat & Ginger Cookie
Wednesday	Roast Chicken * Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo * Fruity Gingerbread
Thursday	Spaghetti Bolognese * Jacket Potato with Baked Beans * Artic Roll & Peaches
Friday	Fish Fingers & Chipped Potatoes * Jacket Potato with Cheese * Plum Upside Down Cake

<i>EVENT</i>	<i>TIME AND DATE</i>
INDIVIDUAL PHOTGRAPHS	MONDAY 5th NOVEMBER & TUESDAY 6th NOVEMBER
ANTI-BULLYING 'ODD SOCKS' DAY	MONDAY 12th NOVEMBER
CHILDREN IN NEED 'WEAR SPOTS' DAY	FRIDAY 16th NOVEMBER
PARENTS EVENING—individual times will be sent home week commencing 5th November.	WEDNESDAY 14th NOVEMBER - 4pm-7.30pm THURSDAY 22nd NOVEMBER - 3.40pm-5.40pm
EYFS-YEAR 5 FLU VACCINATIONS & YEAR 1 HEARING TESTS	WEDNESDAY 14th NOVEMBER
EYFS & KS1 PANTOMIME TRIP	FRIDAY 14th DECEMBER
YEAR 1 & 2 CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION— GALTRES CENTRE EYFS DATE TBC	MONDAY 17th DECEMBER & TUESDAY 18th DECEMBER