Friday 6th January 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a lovely Christmas and enjoyed the festive season.

It has been lovely to welcome all the children back into school and meet some of our new Nursery pupils this week, with more to start next week.

**New Year Letters**

Class teachers have sent out ‘New Year Welcome Back’ letters this week with all children. Please make sure you have seen this important letter. If you have not seen this letter, they can be found on our school website under: TEACHING & LEARNING – Classes – Your child’s class teacher.

**Applying for a place in either Reception or Year 3**

It is important that parents apply for a school place for their child if they will be moving into either **Reception or Year 3 in September**. This still has to be done even if your child already attends our school Nursery! The last date to apply is **15th January 2023** and is done through the following website: <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/apply-place-primary-or-secondary-school>

If you have any questions or concerns please telephone the school office on 344649.

**Swimming Lessons**

Miss William’s class will start their swimming lessons on Wednesday 25th January. Please ensure the consent slips have been returned to school ASAP if not already done. Your child will need to have earrings removed for these lessons, hair tied back if shoulder length or longer, a swimming costume/trunks and a towel. Goggles and a hairbrush are optional, if required. We do have swimming costumes and trunks in the uniform cupboard if needed, please just ask.

**Football at Lunchtime for Year 1 and Year 2**

Some of our children would like to practise their football skills on the field at lunchtime. Unfortunately, the field can be muddy in places so they will only be allowed to do this if they bring some separate trainers in a bag to school. This is so they can change their footwear outside and not bring lots of mud into school.

**Sleep Safer in Winter**

The North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership (NYSCP) are aware of the potential safeguarding consequences posed by the current cost of living crisis to children and families and particularly the vulnerabilities of babies and infants. If you have a baby at home and would like more information regarding safe sleeping please follow the link below:

<https://www.lullabytrust.org.uk/safer-sleep-advice/safer-sleep-winter/>

Thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions or concerns please just ask, we are here to help in any way that we can. Remember to follow us on Twitter to see some of the wonderful things that have been happening in our school.

**Family Reading Club**

Family Reading Club will start again next week on ‘Big Red’ the reading bus. They take place on a Monday & Wednesday at 2.40pm, everyone welcome. This is a great opportunity to share a book with your child and collect reward stamps: every 10 stamps your child gets to choose a lovely new book to keep.

**Family Learning**

Family Learning sessions with Lucy will also start again next week. These take place on either a Tuesday 9am, Wednesday 9am or a Thursday 1pm. They give you an opportunity to work with your child in school on a variety of fun and educational activities. These sessions are very popular so if you do not already attend and would like to, please phone the office ASAP to secure a place.

Best Wishes

Angela Clark

Headteacher

Diary Dates – (more dates may be added each week as they arise)

Thursday 5th January – After school PE club starts for Year 1

Thursday 5th January – After school cookery club starts for Year 2 Pupil Premium children.

Monday 9th January – Open the Book Collective Worship

Monday 9th January – ‘Wonder Time’ lunchtime club starts for Year 2

Monday 9th January – Family Reading club starts again

Monday 9th January – Year 2 choir practise starts again.

Tuesday 10th January – Family Learning starts again

Friday 20th January – Miss Ring’s Class Poetry Assembly 9am in the school hall

Wednesday 25th January – Swimming lessons start for Miss Williams Class

Friday 27th January – Miss Haldenby’s Class Poetry Assembly 9am in the school hall

Monday 6th February – Open the Book Collective Worship

Wednesday 8th February – Mrs Mackay’s Class Enterprise 2.30pm in the school hall

Thursday 9th February – Miss Williams Class Enterprise 2.30pm in the school hall

Friday 10th February – Mr Jacksons Class Enterprise 2.30pm in the school hall

Friday 10th February – School closes for half term

Monday 20th February – School re-opens

Thursday 23rd February – After school PE club starts for the second Year 2 group.

Thursday 23rd February – After school cookery club starts for the second group of Year 2.

Monday 27th February – Open the Book Collective Worship

Monday 27th February – ‘Wonder Time’ lunchtime club starts for the second Y2 group.

Friday 17th March – Red Nose Day for Comic Relief

Monday 20th March – Miss Ring’s Class Enterprise 2.30pm in the school hall

Wednesday 22nd March – Miss Haldenby’s Class Enterprise 2.30pm in the school hall

Monday 27th March – Open the Book Collective Worship

Wednesday 29th March – Miss Ring’s Class start swimming lessons

Friday 31st March – Bring decorated eggs into school for the competition – more details to follow.

Friday 31st March – 2.30pm Easter Hat Parade around school – everyone welcome – more details to follow.

Tuesday 18th April – School re-opens for the start of the Summer term.