



NEWSLETTER – February 2023

Dear Parents,

I hope you all had a good half term holiday.

Please can I ask that you ensure that all the children and adults keep off the grass to avoid mud being trailed into school, whilst also protecting the Spring bulbs. Thank you.

Parents’ Drop-in Morning or Afternoon

We are offering 2 drop-in sessions per class. The idea of the drop- in session is to allow parents and carers to come into their child’s classroom and look at their learning environment and look at examples of their work. This is an opportunity to see how your child is progressing prior to your Spring Parent Consultation Meeting with your child’s class teacher.

Drop in dates and times:

Class 1- Mrs Poole	Tuesday 7 th March	8.15 - 8.40am
	Tuesday 7 th March	3.15 - 3.45pm
Class 2 – Mrs Simmons	Thursday 9 th March	8.15 - 8.40am
	Thursday 9 th March	3.15 - 3.45pm
Class 3 – Miss Goodall	Friday 10 th March	8.15 - 8.40am
	Friday 10 th March	3.15 - 3.45pm
Class 4 – Mrs Broadly/Wilkinson	Tuesday 7 th March	8.15 - 8.40am
	Tuesday 7 th March	3.15 - 3.45pm
Class 5 – Miss Morris	Monday 6 th March	8.30 - 8.40am
	Monday 6 th March	3.15 - 3.45pm
Class 6 – Mrs Robson	Thursday 9 th March	8.30 - 8.40am
	Thursday 9 th March	3.15 - 3.45pm

The expectation is that parents will supervise the children until 8.40 if you do a morning drop-in session.

Parents' Consultation Meetings

We will be offering face to face consultations in school on **Wednesday 15th March 2.30-7pm** or telephone consultations on the days outlined below:

Class	Date	Time
1	Monday 13 th March	4.15 - 6.15pm
2	Thursday 16 th March	4.15 - 6.15pm
3	Friday 17 th March	3.30 - 5.30pm
4	Tuesday 14 th March	9.30 - 11.30am 3.30 - 5.30pm
5	Thursday 9 th March	3.30 - 5.30pm
6	Tuesday 14 th March	3.30 - 5.30pm
Nursery	Monday 13 th March	9.30 - 11.30am 3.30 - 5.30pm

Paper appointment slips will be brought home by your child this week.

Uniform

If you wish to order any uniform please collect an order form from the office. Orders and payment (card details or cheques payable to APC clothing) must be in school by the **Thursday 23rd March.**

We will be holding a '**New to you**' uniform sale before and after school during the week commencing Monday 6th March in the entrance hall.

There is a huge amount of unclaimed uniform which unfortunately is unnamed so it cannot be returned to the child. We will put out a table of lost property on Thursday and Friday this week.

World Book Day – Thursday 2nd March

On World Book Day we would like the children to come to school wearing a splash of colour – to go with our '**Rainbow Reading Challenge**'. More information to follow.

Owl and Birds of Prey Visit – Friday 3rd March

We have the opportunity for some owls and birds of prey to visit school for the day. Unfortunately, our ever-decreasing school budget cannot afford to provide these extra enhancements to the curriculum, hence why we are asking everyone to bring in a donation of £1.50 to help fund the event. Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

Red Nose Day

We will be celebrating Red Nose Day this year on **Friday 17th March.** The children can come to school in their own clothes or wear red noses. We would kindly ask that the children bring into school a small donation towards this worthy cause.

Reminders

Parking

Parking around school is a huge issue and can put children's lives at risk and inconvenience our neighbours!

- Please do not park in front of the back school gate at lunchtime or home time as members of staff often have meetings and courses to attend.
- Please do not park across neighbours drives or on street corners!

School Water Bottles Only

Children like things to be 'fair' so please ensure your child brings in a **school** water bottle.

PE

Please can children come into school in their PE clothes (navy/black leggings or joggers, white t shirt, school jumper or cardigan) on the following days:

- Class 3 & 4 – Monday and Friday
- Class 5 & 6 – Tuesday and Wednesday (please note new days)
- Class 1 & 2 – **Wednesdays** - PE kit kept in a bag in school, children will get changed before the lesson
 - **Thursdays** - children come to school in PE clothes from next week (as above).

Rag Bin

Just a quick reminder - the Rag Bin is available, just inside the Healey Road school gate, for unwanted clothes, bedding and shoes. The rags generate a steady income for the school so please mention to family members too. Thank you.

Punctuality

Can I remind you that school officially starts at **8.40 am**. That means all the children should be ready to enter school at this time. A child arriving even 2 or 3 minutes late disrupts their learning and the learning of others, as learning begins as soon as the children enter the classroom.

Please do all you can to be at school on time. Thank you.

Holiday Requests

Please note that there is a zero tolerance to family holidays during term time and all will be classified as unauthorised. Year 1 take a statutory Phonic test week beginning 12th June and Year 2 complete their SAT tests between 9th & 26th May. It is **IMPERATIVE** that your child attends school at these times. Thank you for your support and co-operation.

Picking Up Children at the End of the School Day

In order to keep your child safe please can you fill in and return a list of adults who you may occasionally authorise to pick up your child from school at the end of the school day. In this way we can refer to it should the need arise rather than having to telephone you to confirm your pick-up arrangements. Paper forms to follow.

Easter Celebrations

Egg Rolling - We are holding our annual 'egg rolling' competition in school on Friday 31st March. Please can your child bring to school a hard-boiled egg so they can take part in the competition. They may like to decorate their egg at home with paint or felt tips.

Pre-Ordering School Lunches

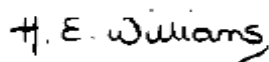
We still have quite a number of children who are not pre-ordering school lunches at home. We kindly ask all parents to pre-order at home in advance to save valuable learning time being lost in class. If you are having issues logging on to School Grid, please contact reception. Thank you for your co-operation,

Dates for Your Diary

Thursday 2 nd March	World Book Day – 'Wear as splash of colour' – Rainbow challenge
Friday 3 rd March	Owls visit school - £1.50 donation please
Wk beg Monday 6 th March	New to you uniform sale before & after school
Wednesday 15 th March	Parents Consultations face to face 2.30 – 7pm
Friday 17 th March	Red Nose Day – donation
Wk beg Mon 27 th March – Thursday 30 th March	Book Fayre in school before and after school
Friday 31 st March	Egg rolling competition

Thank you for your co-operation and support.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs H.E. Williams.
Headteacher.