



'Everyone Successful Everyday'

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone who attended the Parents and Carers Consultations. It was wonderful to see so many of you and to share the successes of the term so far. If you have not yet completed the Parent Questionnaire, we would love to hear from you as we really value your views and opinions. We will share the results in due course. Thank you to everyone who wrote such lovely comments; it really does mean a lot. If we haven't got things quite right, let us know. Copies of the questionnaire are available from the school office or through your class teachers.

Christmas Arrangements

We are starting to get ready for our Christmas performances and the children are beginning to get excited. Tickets are £2.50 each and are on sale now through Parent Pay. Tickets are limited to 2 per family in the first instance. Money raised through ticket sales will be used towards the cost of the children's Christmas parties.

Nursery and Reception will be performing on Wednesday 13th December at 9:30am
Year 1,2 and 3 will be performing on Wednesday 13th December at 2:15pm and on Thursday 14th December at 10:15am.
Year 4,5 and 6 will be performing on Wednesday 13th December at 1:15pm and on Thursday 14th December at 9:15am.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Relationships and Sex Education Consultation Results

Thank you to the parents who had a look at our policy and Personal and Social Health Education curriculum. It is vital that children receive accurate information which will help them understand about how to stay safe. If you would like to view the policy, please follow the link and let us know your comments by Wednesday 6th December.

School Attendance and Absences

Class	Attendance this week	Attendance so far this year
Year Reception	97.8%	95.4%
Year 1	93.3%	96.6%
Year 2	94.4%	98%
Year 3	100%	97.5%
Year 4	97.8%	96.2%
Year 5	100%	96.6%
Year 6	97.7%	97.7%

Well done Year 5 and Year 3

If your child feels unwell at school, we will monitor the situation and give you a ring if we think they are poorly and need to be collected. Please see the latest NHS Guidance about illness and when to send your child to school: [Is my child too ill for school?](#) It can be a tricky decision as children can recover quickly and seem fine by mid-morning after feeling poorly first thing. If this happens, it is fine to bring them in after lunch for a half day session.

Parent and Community Governor

We have a vacancy for both a community and a parent governor on our Local Governing Board. We are pleased to announce we have one candidate who has come forward, Mr Akanbi. At the moment, he would be the only unopposed candidate for the vacancy, and he would therefore be elected by default (unless anyone else comes forward within 7 days). If any individual parent/carer would like to have the opportunity to formally vote for him by post or by returning a ballot paper via a pupil, then they should contact the school for this to be arranged.

If you have any friends or colleagues in the local community who would be interested in supporting the school, please speak to Mrs Johnson or Miss Weddle for more information.

Severe Weather Procedures

As the weather turns colder, please ensure your child has a coat, hat, gloves and a scarf. If we experience significant snowfall, or if the playground is icy, we will carry out a thorough risk assessment of the site before break times to make sure it is safe for the children to go outside, as the situation can change quite quickly.

In the event of very severe weather conditions, or indeed any other emergency, we may need to close the school. We will make every effort to remain open but do need to consider a range of factors. This is a decision that we do not take lightly and can often only be made at short notice. We thank you for your support and understanding with regard to this.

Please ensure your contact details are up to date as in the rare event of a school closure, we will post a message on Tapestry and send an email through Arbor.

With best wishes,

Mrs Caroline Johnson
Headteacher

Dates for your diary

Date	Activity
Wednesday 6 th December	PTA Christmas Pop Up Shop
Wednesday 13 th December	EYFS Christmas Concert 9:30am Y4/5/6 Christmas Production 1:15pm Y1/2/3 Christmas Production 2:15pm
Thursday 14 th December	Y4/5/6 Christmas Production 9:15am Y1/2/3 Christmas Production 10:15
Tuesday 19 th December	'Elf Run' in aid of Simon On the Streets
Wednesday 20 th December	Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day
Thursday 21 st December	Christmas Carols at Whitkirk Church (10am TBC)
Friday 22 nd December	PTA pop up shop on the playground at the end of the day School Closes for Christmas holiday
Monday 8 th January 2024	School Closed: Training Day
Tuesday 9 th January 2023	School reopens

