

PRIMARY ACADEMY Newsletter

Friday 14th June 2019 - Newsletter 6

A message from Miss Towler...

Dear parents and carers,

Well it has been another busy week in school. What a great day KS2 had at Countryside Day at the Great Yorkshire Showground in Harrogate. It was certainly a blustery day but we didn't let that dampen our spirits! From weaving to dancing sheep, to making dough balls it was a fab day out and we know the children (and staff!) loved every minute of it. As always the children's behaviour was impeccable and we received lots of lovely feedback about how polite and well behaved our children were.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes, Caroline Towler Headteacher



Welcome to ParentHub

We are really pleased to share that we have now moved over to a new parent communication system which we are sure will help us to make communication from school even better.

ParentHub is an app based system which you can download easily from your mobile phone App Store. Hopefully by now you should have received a text notification to show you how to get started however if you haven't or would like some help getting onto ParentHub, please get in touch with us. ParentHub will allow us to



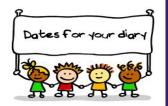
communicate quickly and easily with yourself via the app but will also allow you to do the same with school. An additional feature which we are particularly excited about is that we will be able to share pictures of children learning directly with the parents of that class and even great pieces of work that have been produced. Our aim is to get every parent up and running on ParentHub by the end of next week so that we know all communication is coming your way. Please let us know if you have any queries about ParentHub and we will try and solve any problems.

We have now reached over 100 twitter followers!!! Big thanks to everyone who is now



Dates for the summer term diary

Thursday 20th June - Y1 - Y6 Sports Day from 1.30pm at school Friday 21st June - Back up Sports Day for Y1-Y6 (if poor weather on the Thursday)



Wednesday 26th June - Fire Service visit to school

Friday 28th June - Staff Training Day - children not in school

Monday 1st July - Open evening to meet with new teachers in new classrooms 3.30pm -

4.30pm. All parents are welcome to meet their child's teacher for next year (details in last newsletter)

Wednesday 3rd July - FS Physical Stay and Play 1-2pm

Wednesday 3rd - Friday 5th July - New classes transition - children move up to their new class with their new teacher

Wednesday 3rd - Friday 5th July - Tadcaster Grammar School transition days for Y6 pupils attending TGS from September

Wednesday 10th July - Year 6 Moving on Service for all Y6 pupils across Tadcaster (pupils only)

Thursday 11th July - School reports to go out to families

Friday 12th July - Y6 Leavers' Celebration Evening

Tuesday 16th July - Y5/6 Leavers' play 2.00pm - 3.00pm (see further details in this newsletter)

Wednesday 17th July - Y5/6 Leavers' play 6.30pm - 7.30pm

Thursday 18th July - Kingswood full payment due.

Friday 19th July - End of term family picnic (please come along)/ Break up for summer holidays

Monday 22nd July - Staff Training Day



Request from Mrs Griffin

Please complete your child's student detail forms

which were sent out before half term. We are still waiting for several from each class team. Please send these back so that Mrs Griffin doesn't need to contact individual parents to request the forms to be returned.

Please help us to update our library!

Please let us know if you are able to help us wave some magic on our existing library space. The children have come up with some exciting plans and so we need parents or grandparents who could help with sewing, painting, woodwork etc. If you think you, or they, could give up some time please contact Mrs Griffin in the school office or mention this to your child's class teacher. Thank you!



Next week's Sports Day

Next Thursday we will hold our annual school sports day for Y1-Y6. Like last year, we will run the event with support from TPAC. The events will begin at 1.30pm on the school field. Children are asked to come in PE kit with a T-shirt in the colour of their house team: red, yellow or blue. The children know their house teams but please do see your child's teacher if you need a reminder. The afternoon will involve lots of sporty events that the children will complete in their teams. These activities will be run by school staff. We ask that



children come to school in the morning in their PE kits and coloured tops so that they are ready to get started straight away. Once the event has finished children will be taken back into class and will then be ready to be collected from their classrooms.

Please note in the event of poor weather we will reschedule sports day to the following day (Friday afternoon). We will notify you that the Sports Day events have been postponed via ParentHub. Fingers crossed for sunshine!



We are really looking forward to our sports day next Thursday and are very pleased to share that Minster FM will be joining us this year - fingers crossed they bring the Minster monster as well!

Adopt a baby stick insect

Our stick insect eggs have hatched so we are keen to find homes for the young ones. They're ideal low maintenance pets we use an old fish tank. All they need is some privet twice a week and a fine spray of water each day. Would any parents be happy for their children to take some? If you are interested please contact Mr Sands in team Neptune who will be able to give further details. Thank you.





Attendance at Tadcaster Primary Academy



Please see last week's attendance figures:

Reception: 81.63%

Jupiter: 95.81% (Top team attendance!)

Saturn: 90.91%

Neptune: 90.91%

Our school target is 96% which is the target all schools are set to ensure that they meet the expected standard of attendance.

At Tadcaster Primary one of our most important priorities is that every member of our school community is in school, on time, every day. We know that it is so important to ensure that all of our team members are learning together in order to give them every Every student. Every day. opportunity to succeed.

Celebrating our Chromebooks

You may have heard from your children that school has bought 30 chromebooks to use in our classrooms. These allow the children to work anywhere in school and are already helping develop their computing skills. Last Friday we were visited by Mr Harvey-Walker, Ebor Academy Trust's computing lead. He delivered computing sessions to children in Jupiter, Saturn and Neptune which they absolutely loved. Our children are now able to access the Chromebooks, log in and are already becoming confident at using Chromebooks to create Google docs and to use a range of apps.



