



SLS Update

Learning today for a better tomorrow.

Friday 3rd May 2024

★ Well Done to This Week's GOLD Award Winners ★

Reception – Immy and James

Class 1 – Lottie and Tom

Class 2 – Henry Ti

Class 3 – Emelia

Safeguarding: Supporting Children Through SATs

With Year 6 SATs just around the corner, we're aware that some children can become anxious. As a school, we take a gentle approach preparing the children across the year to minimise their anxieties as much as possible. If you feel that your child requires any support in the coming weeks, please click [here](#) for some useful advice.

Road Safety

Road safety continues to be a priority for us and we are constantly communicating with the council to try and get our road safety issues resolved. We were told that the missing speed bump would be replaced in the Easter holidays but unfortunately this hasn't happened despite our persistent requests. We appreciate our families continuing to support us by not parking at the front of school or in the farm entrance and by crossing the road between the flags. Thank you.

Menu Change – Friday 10th May

Due to the bank holiday on Monday, Magda has had to change next week's menu. On Friday it will be mac & cheese instead of fish. Allergies / dietary requirements will be catered for as usual. Please remember that this will not affect Class 2 who will be on a school trip to Murton Park that day and will require a packed lunch from home.

Yorkshire Sculpture Park

We are very excited about the whole school trip to the Yorkshire Sculpture Park on Friday 24th May, the children always have such a fantastic day there. The PTA non-uniform day will now take place on Thursday 23rd May.

Planet Protectors

Our new Eco Club, appropriately called the Planet Protectors, is hoping to establish a wildlife garden in the back playground. Donations of bedding plants and pot plants would be gratefully received, thank you!

Water Aid

The school council have decided to support Water Aid by holding a non-uniform day and cake stall on Friday 14th June. Water Aid is a global charity working to ensure that everyone has access to clean water and decent toilets. Click [here](#) for more info.

Are You Looking to Change Career?

If you are interested in becoming a teacher, Red Kite Teacher Training is holding a free online information evening on Thursday 9th May. Please refer to the attached flyer for more details.

HDDC Summer Holiday Camps

Harrogate District Dance will be running two camps in July and August at Ashville Sports Centre – please see the attached flyer for more information.

Weekly Attendance Figures

[Reception – 100.00%](#)

[Class 1 – 95.79%](#)

[Class 2 – 93.52%](#)

[Class 3 – 97.58%](#)

Well done to Reception who achieved 100% attendance this week! The expectation is that schools maintain an attendance level of **at least 97%**. This is the measure that schools are subject to during both local and national inspections. Figures below that level will be heavily criticized. We appreciate your support with this. It is also a legal requirement for children to attend school regularly. Please ensure that children are in school and on time every day and please avoid term time holidays. We are aware that there are lots of illnesses going around at the moment, please refer to the NHS guidance [here](#) when determining whether or not to keep your child off school.

Over 97%

90 – 97%

Under 90%

DID YOU KNOW?

Whilst 95% attendance doesn't sound too bad, across a year it means your child would have missed 9 days of school, or 45 lessons. Over 7 years of primary school, 95% attendance each year would add up to 12.5 weeks or 3 months or one whole term of missed school.

Diary Dates – Subject to Change

May 2024

Mon 6th – Bank Holiday – SCHOOL CLOSED

Wed 8th – Class 1 Swimming – 3/9

Fri 10th – Walk to School Day / Class 2 Trip to Murton Park

Mon 13th – Y6 SATs week starts

Wed 15th – Class 1 Swimming – 4/9

Wed 22nd – Class 1 Swimming – 5/9

Thurs 23rd – PTA Non-Uniform Day

Fri 24th – Whole School Trip to the Yorkshire Sculpture Park / **School closes at normal time for May half term holiday**

June 2024

Mon 3rd – School re-opens / Multiplication check period for Y4 begins

Wed 5th – Class 1 Swimming – 6/9

Fri 7th – Grandparents Afternoon

Mon 10th – Phonics screening check period begins / Phunky Foods engagement session for Reception parents (details TBC)

Tues 11th – Dogs Trust visiting all classes

Wed 12th – Class 1 Swimming – 7/9

Tues 18th – Sports Day (parents invited from 1.15pm)

Wed 19th – Class 1 Swimming – 8/9 / Y3-6 Athletics Festival (details TBC)

Tues 25th – Reserve Sports Day

Wed 26th – Class 1 Swimming – 9/9