

28th April 2023

Dear Parents,

Newsletter

Attendance Our attendance this week had dropped to 91.8% again below our target of 97%. Our attendance for the year to date is currently 93.9%.

Message from Headteacher

This week has gone by in a flash again! I have been very impressed again this week at all of the hard work our Year 6 children are putting in ready for SATS - only 4 more school days now! I think they are fed up of both me and practice SAT papers - but we are nearly there.... I am also incredibly impressed at the writing in Fern Class this week - ask your children to tell you all about their adventures in the jungle!

It is also really exciting that we have eggs in Fern class now - Mr Nightingale is really taming his tiger as he is not keen on chickens at all! - I can't wait until they hatch 😊

I am sure I don't need to remind you that it is a 3 day weekend this weekend - make sure you enjoy the extended break!

See you on Tuesday.

Mrs Z.

Poverty Proofing

We know the cost of living crisis is having wide spanning impacts on many families. We wanted to remind our families that as a school, we are here to help in any way we can. If you think your financial circumstances might have changed, please check your eligibility for a free school meal here: <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/education-and-learning/free-school-meals>

We have some pre-loved uniform in good condition **available for free**. We also have a stock of new sweatshirts and cardigans in our stock cupboard, available for a **reduced** price of £10.00. If you have any old uniform in good condition that no longer fits your child, please do send them in so another child can have the benefit of high-quality uniform.

Should you wish to speak to any member of staff regarding any financial elements of school, we are happy to make an appointment at a convenient time to support in any way we can.

We would also like to signpost a couple of Facebook groups: The Whitby Wardrobe and Whitby Foodbank that can be a helpful resource.



Life at Lealholm

Our first swimming week and it was really great to see all the children excited and enthusiastic to learn. The afternoon was a busy one for Fern Class as they came back to a Cricket lesson with Mark Hollingworth our Chair of Governors. We are looking at ways in which to support the children in sport across the school and one of the ways is the All Stars Cricket coaching. The link to find out more information is below:

https://ecb.clubspark.uk/AllStars/SearchResults?gclid=CjwKCAjw9J2iBhBPEiwAEr_wpeSOorjMIWsMgxjHq7uiHWL2jOOahMJBpCKUevaBYzfu7wP-iwBDczRoCOFoQAvD_BwE

Thank you to all those who have been encouraging the reading at home. We finished our class reader in Heather last week and the children were all devastated there isn't a second book – the sign of a great book and enjoyment of stories!

We've had lots of visitors in School and all of them have commented on our reading corner. This is thanks to Miss Rhucroft who makes sure the area is creative, welcoming and exciting, thank you.

I would like to give a special mention to the year 6's and the work and dedication that they are putting in towards the upcoming assessments. Well done!

Fern Class have had another exciting week this week with animals galore! Bob and Tomato have returned and truly have one of the most impressive guinea pig hutches, custom made by our YEAT caretaker where they have two floors of luxurious accommodation and an expansive outdoor run attached!

The Year two children have been working incredibly hard in preparation for their SAT's starting the week commencing 15th May too!

FOLS

Thank you to FOLS for discussing many ideas to help our school further. A summer fayre was the main item on the agenda- more exciting news to follow!

Stay and Play

We hope to see the 4 new starters at our next stay and play session on:

Thursday 25th May 1.30 pm – 3.00 pm.

We are looking forward to welcoming the children into school

If you would like to attend, email Mrs Taylor at admin.lealholm@yeat.co.uk or contact the school office on 01947 897401.



Book Swap Free Shop

Just a reminder that our 'Book Swap Free Shop' is located in Reception and available to pop into to donate books or take a book home, from 8:30am-4:00pm each weekday.

After School Clubs

- Monday- Basketball club- Lewis- After school club
- Tuesday- Gardening club- Mr Everton- After school club
- Wednesday- Games club- Mr Nightingale- After school club
- Year 6 club-Mrs Elwick- **will be Tuesday morning 2/05/2023 7.50 for 8am start.**

Please ensure all permission forms are returned.

Star of the Week

Heather class star of the week is Oliver! Oliver has been working really hard at home and this has helped him when completing his work at School. His enthusiasm and determination is now showing as confidence. Oliver is always thoughtful and respectful to his peers and Teachers. Well done Oliver!

Fern class star of the week is both Annie and Mia for their example of being good friends.

Class dojo Winners

Fern Class

Blue - Lizzie
Green - Peter
Red - Liv
Yellow - Reuben

Heather Class

Blue - Olivia
Red- Tyler
Yellow- Bradley
Green- Owen

Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a Midday Supervisor – if you have a spare hour any day of the week please speak to myself to discuss further.

Diary Dates

Please continue to check the diary dates section of our weekly newsletter as, occasionally, dates are subject to change.

Coronation Celebrations

On Friday 5th May, the school will be celebrating the King's coronation by having a special 'party' lunch outside on the school field.



Community Coronation Celebration

On Saturday 6th May at 9pm, Danby Beacon will be lit to mark the Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III. All families are welcome to gather together and to sing the national anthem.

Barclays Cup Final – Tuesday 2nd May (3.45pm)

Good luck to our footballers who will take part in the final of the Barclays Cup which they qualified for earlier in the year! The team will be playing at Whitby Town FC's stadium, joining up with Glaisdale and Lealholm!

School Oaths – Parental Questionnaire

Thank you to those parents that have completed our current survey on our school oaths. There is one more week for those of you that have not had an opportunity to do this. Click here to access <https://forms.office.com/e/0CwiggUM3s>

Sun Hats & Cream

Please ensure that children are sent to school with the protection they require. Sun cream should be applied in the morning before they arrive at school.

Water Bottles

Your child needs to have their own water bottles in school, clearly labelled with their name.

Upcoming Bank Holidays

I am sure it has not escaped you that there will be two bank holidays coming up in consecutive weeks. School will be closed for these on: Monday 1st May and Monday 8th May 2023.

School Lunches w/c 1st May, 2023

Monday: Bank Holiday

Tuesday: Beef Enchiladas with rice and cheese & biscuit

Wednesday: Roast chicken & Yorkshire pudding dinner with waffle finger & ice cream

Thursday: Meatballs & pasta and cornflake crispie

Friday: Coronation party lunch

Yours sincerely,

Mrs S Elwick
Teacher in Charge



Key Dates – Summer Term

May

Monday 1 st	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 2 nd	Barclay Shield 3.45 pm
Wednesday 3 rd	Y5/6 Cricket – Whitby CC
Monday 8 th	Bank Holiday
Monday 9 th – Friday 12 th	Y6 SATS week
Tuesday 9 th	Swimming
Wednesday 10 th	Fern Class Beach visit
Monday 15 th - Friday 19 th	Y2 SATS week
Tuesday 16 th	Heather Class Biking day
Wednesday 17 th	Y5/6 Tennis - Whitby
Tuesday 23 rd	Swimming Session
Thursday 25 th	Heather Class trip to Newcastle (Angel of the North and Hindu Mandir)
Thursday 25 th	New Starters Stay & Play Session - pm

June

Tuesday 6 th	Swimming Session
Wednesday 7 th	Y1/2 Quad Kids
Tuesday 13 th	Y3/4 Tennis
Tuesday 20 th	Swimming Session
Wednesday 21 st	Y5/6 Quad Kids
Tuesday 27 th	Y5/6 Athletics
Thursday 29 th	Sports Day - TBC
Friday 30 th	Whole school visit - TBC

July

Monday 3 rd	Fern Class Rock Pooling
Tuesday 4 th	Swimming Session
Wednesday 5 th	Y5/6 Rounders
Thursday 6 th & 7 th	Y6 visit to Edinburgh
Tuesday 11 th	Y6 Crucial Crew
Tuesday 18 th	Swimming Session
Thursday 20 th	Whole School Canoeing
Friday 21 st	Leavers Assembly
Monday 24 th	YEAT sports festival



Term Dates 2022-2023

May Bank Holiday Monday 1st May
 Coronation Bank Holiday 8th May
 Half Term Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June
 Last day of Summer Term Monday 24th July
 Tuesday 25th July 2023 – PD Day

Term Dates 2023-2024

PD Day	Monday 4 th September, 2023
PD Day	Tuesday 5 th September, 2023
First Day of Autumn term	Wednesday 6 th September 2023
Half term	Monday 30 th October – Friday 3 rd November
PD Day	Friday 15 th December, 2023
Last Day of Autumn term	Friday 22 nd December 2023

First Day of Spring term	Monday 8 th January 2024
Half term	Monday 12 th February – Friday 16 th February
PD Day	Friday 15 th March, 2024
Last Day of Spring term	Friday 22 nd March 2024

First Day of Summer Term	Monday 8 th April 2024
May Bank Holiday	Monday 6 th May 2024
Half term	Monday 27 th May – Friday 31 st May
PD Day	Friday 12 th July, 2024
Last Day of Summer Term	Monday 22 nd July

