

4<sup>th</sup> November 2022

Dear Parents,

### Newsletter

**Attendance** Our attending this week is 98.3% - well done this is above our target of 97%. Our attendance for the year to date is currently 95.6%.

### Message from Headteacher

Autumn seems to have suddenly arrived at Lealholm! I have never had the pleasure to teach in such beautiful surroundings - we are incredibly lucky! It has of course been another busy week with lots and lots of learning. Peter and Bea continue to amaze me with their new grown up attitude to being in Year 1 😊 It was also wonderful to watch the reception children doing phonics - I was amazed at how well they all concentrated and were able to write words independently - Marshall was a particular superstar! Year 2 have become incredibly mature too - I think Dan is ready to move into Key Stage 2 already - I have been watching the way that he supports the reception children - it is lovely.

Year 5 and 6 are starting to get excited about Peat Rigg. I am actually joining them so I am feeling pretty excited too!

It is also fantastic to have Mrs Taylor back with us in the office - we have certainly missed her! It will be much easier to get hold of us now 😊

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Z

### Life at Lealholm

It has been a pleasure this week welcoming the children back into school and hearing all about their holiday adventures, as well as learning all about their Halloween costumes and 'trick or treat' plans! Despite all this excitement, the children have been able to come straight back into school and have settled fantastically into their work.

On Monday, Lewis was teaching basketball and it has been lovely to see how enthusiastic all the children were, they are improving their skills each day as they practice at playtimes and lunchtimes. Children were able to enjoy their first swimming session after the half term and it is great to see the progress they are making within a short period of time.

Heather class have enjoyed continuing their work on Beowulf and have produced some fantastic playscripts and have shown that we have some budding actors and actresses in the making! Fern class have enjoyed reading *The Three Billy Goats Gruff* and are working extremely hard on completing their narrative writing - we are excited to see their finished piece.

### Star of the Week

Star of the week in Fern class is Reuben for his amazing maths! He was adding numbers to 1,000.

Star of the week in Heather class this week is Olivia for her excellent effort in all areas of the curriculum and improved presentation.

### Class dojo Winners

#### Fern Class

Red- Dan  
Blue - James  
Green - Annie  
Yellow - Reuben

#### Heather Class

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

### Halloween/ Bonfire Bingo

Thank you very much to FOLS for organising a fantastic Halloween/ bonfire bingo night. It was great to see so many of our families attend last night and all the children having such an enjoyable time.

### Steering Group Members

We are excited to be holding our first Steering group meeting next week in school and hearing all the ideas which the children have for the school. They will also be planning the events and activities which will take place for Children in Need on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November- more information to follow!

### Parents Evening – Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November

Please remember to log on the MCAS and book your appointment with your child's teacher.

### Poppy Appeal

We now have poppies, wristbands, rulers, etc., available in school from the Royal British Legion. Please send any donations towards this excellent cause. They will be available in school until the 11<sup>th</sup> November.

### Sponsored Walk

If you any outstanding monies would you please send into school as soon as possible. Thank you for those who have returned their forms and money, you have raised over £500 so far which is an amazing amount for such a small school.

### Photographs

Please remember to return your photograph orders these will be collected by the photographer early next week.

### After School Clubs

Monday-Football club- Lewis  
Wednesday- Games club- Mr Nightingale  
Thursday- Year 6 club- Miss Parkes

### Music Sessions

The November/December sessions are now available to purchase on MCAS for those children who have the lessons.

### Vacancy

We still 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.

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Yours sincerely,

B Parkes  
Teacher in Charge

### Key Dates

#### November

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| • Monday 7 <sup>th</sup>     | Parents Evening            |
| • Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup>   | Swimming                   |
| • Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> | Gurdwara Visit TBC         |
| • Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup>  | Visit to East Barnby - TBC |
| • Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup>  | Stay and Play 1:30- 3pm    |
| • Monday 28 <sup>th</sup>    | Flu Vaccinations           |
| • Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup>   | Swimming                   |
| • Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> | Y5/6 to Peat Rigg          |
| -Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec  |                            |

#### December

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| • Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Stay and Play 10:30-12 |
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- Tuesday 6th Over 60's Christmas play at 2pm
- Wednesday 7th Christmas play at 2pm and 6pm
- Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> Christmas Jumper Day & Ice Skating
- Friday 9th **Staff Training Day**
- Monday 12th Pantomime at Scarborough
- Tuesday 13th Carol Concert TBC
- Wednesday 14th Christmas lunch
- Thursday 15th KS2 Jorvik/ Van Gogh trip to York
- Friday 16th Christmas party

### Term Dates 2022-2023

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December – PD Day  
Last day of Autumn Term Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December

First day of Spring Term Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023  
Half Term Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February  
Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March – PD Day  
Last day of Spring Term Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March

First day of Summer Term Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April  
May Bank Holiday Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May  
Half Term Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June  
Last day of Summer Term Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July  
Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2023 – PD Day