

Small School Big Ideas

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A Nut Free School

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Dear Parents,

We had a lovely week in school with lots to look forward to in the week ahead. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time with the children and staff and it continues to be an absolute delight to be leading a happy and caring school.

We are continuing to work on the small but important things with the children. This includes high expectations for exceptional behaviour in every area of the school, kind words, good deeds, great manners and care for each other.

The Infant Staff Team are excited to meet with KS1 parents this Thursday straight after school. You should have received details about arrangements from them last week, so please take time to familiarise yourself with these.

Volunteers to hear children read in school

Please get in touch with the school office if you can afford any amount of time to hear children read during the school day. This is particularly important for the children's learning after all the lost time last year due to the pandemic. You can play a big part in helping children to develop a love of reading and get them back on track with their learning.

Walk to School Week 11th – 15th October 2021

York will be holding October's Walk to School Week which we are excited to be entering and the competition for the Jack Archer Award from $11^{th}-15^{th}$ October. The winning school will be awarded the much coveted Trophy and £300 prize money to be spent on equipment to encourage active travel or sports. As in previous years cycling and scooting counts as well as walking, and even the school bus, so everyone can join in. We just ask that the car is left at home and not used at all for the journey to school, especially because we are entering the competition for the Jack Archer Trophy. The prize is awarded to the school that has the highest percentage of children leaving the car at home and walking, cycling or scooting to school over the week.

This will be the 18th year of the very popular Jack Archer Award and the event continues to get better each year. Jack was an Alderman of York who never owned a car, preferring to walk everywhere and lived to aged 92. He was also Chairman and President of Age UK York, who have regularly supported our annual Walk to School Week as part of their intergenerational work.

Children love walking, cycling and scooting to school, and it helps keep them fit and healthy. Reducing the number of cars on the journey to school helps make the roads safer and helps cut harmful air pollution around school, which children are more susceptible to. This is even more important now at a time when everyone is being encouraged to walk or cycle their journeys where they can.

Compassion Trust Perseverance

To help encourage more walking and cycling to school please use the link provided to an <u>animation</u> which shows how inconsiderate driver behaviour around school affects children *from their point of view* and how school could be if everyone walked, cycled or parked further away from the school. More information about tackling the school run can be found on the <u>iTravel website</u>.

Picture News

Story: Following the trail of devastation left by Hurricane Ida, President Biden declared that 'historic investment' is needed to deal with the impact of the climate crisis.

Question: How does facing disasters change us?

Virtual Assembly: Found on the Picture News website, just add /discuss

TT Rockstars

Let the Battles Commence!

We are pleased to announce that we are starting the TT Rockstar Battles once again.

The first battle starts today and is between Year 4 and Year 6!

The battles will run every week with different year groups. Year groups will compete against each other to earn the highest number of coins. Children have a week (Monday to Monday) to practise their tables and earn those coins!

The times have been set to only allow the coins to be earned between the hours of 7am to 7pm.

The timetable for this half term is as follows...

Date	Year Groups Battling
20.9.21-27.9.21	Year 4 and Year 6
27.9.21-4.10.21	Year 5, Year 3 and Year 2
4.10.21-11.10.21	Year 3 and Year 4
11.10.21-18.10.21	Year 5 and Year 6
18.10.21- 01.11.21	Whole School Battle- All Year Groups (Year 1 -6)

The final week of the half term sees the whole school competing against each other to have the title of 'Times Table champions!' The winners will be announced after the half term.

We will also announce 'Time Table Rockstar' every week, so even if your year group is not battling you can still earn this highly sought after title!

We are looking forward to seeing everyone practising their tables and challenging themselves to improve every week.

Happy Battling!

Autumn Term Dates

A list of school dates for the Autumn Term will be sent through to you at some point this week.

York Food and Drink Festival

Sycamore Class thoroughly enjoyed their time at the Food Festival this morning. They also learnt such a lot during their practical sessions. Thank you to Miss Brett for organising the visit and thank you to the parents who came along to help supervise the children.

It feels great to be able to get out and about and add to the curriculum with valuable first hand experiences.

Piano Lessons IIII

Is your child interested in playing the piano?

We currently offer piano lessons in school for pupils in year 2 and above. Lessons are 1 - 1 and are tailor-made to suit your child's level and interest. Children can progress through grades or simply learn for fun. These lessons are charged on a termly basis and details can be provided on request. If you would like any further information regarding lessons, please contact Mrs Jane Wragg directly by emailing: -

Jane.wragg72@googlemail.com

Important bits and pieces

A couple of reminders for you all. Please send your children in the correct PE uniform on the days when they are doing sports lessons. Correct PE kit is a red school sweatshirt, or black sweatshirt, white T shirt and black bottoms. All children are to come to school in their PE kit on Tuesdays and Fridays.

Your children should now all have a pair of wellington boots that stay in school permanently. If this is not the case, please can you make every effort to arrange for this to happen? Thank you

Pick up from ASC

Finally, please can I ask you to make sure that you pick your children up on time from After School Club. It is not fair on our staff if they have to stay after 6pm. If you do happen to be delayed for any reason, please get in touch to explain your situation. Thank you

I hope that you all have a good week and I look forward to seeing you.

Best wishes

Jonathan Green