



Small School Big Ideas

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A Nut Free School

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Dear Parents,

We have an exciting week ahead with Oak class busy practising their performance of the X Factory, a parents' meeting via Zoom for our new Reception parents and a Yo-Yo lesson to help the children in Y6 to prepare for their transition to Fulford. We are trying to do as much as possible within the covid restrictions and are trying our very best to give your children some fabulous experiences before we break up. We had planned to hold transition afternoons but are unfortunately unable to mix bubbles so will have to look differently at how to ensure your child meets their new teacher before the summer, but have no fear – we are getting very good at changing plans in order to keep everyone safe!

We also welcome Betsy and her family to our school and to York! Besty has joined Rowan Class and I am sure everyone will be making her feel very welcome even as I write!

What's on this week:

Monday 28 th June	PE with Mr Davies for every class Willow Multi Sports Club with Mr Davies until 4.15pm
Tuesday 29 th June	Yo-Yo 'It's Your Move' for Y6 Last Crazy Ketchup Club with Mrs Mann until 4.10pm Rowan Lego Club with Mrs Christison until 4.10pm
Wednesday 30 th June	Ukulele lesson for Willow New Starters' Evening for parents 6pm on zoom
Thursday 1 st July	Last Crazy Ketchup Club with Mrs Denison until 4.10pm
Friday 2 nd July	Picture News Day for all children No Celebration Worship because of Picture News Zooms

Celebrations

Last week, our superstars were:

- Charles (in Rowan) for consistently doing everything that is asked of him
- Ciara (in Willow) for showing resilience at Crazy Ketchup Club!
- Everyone (in Oak) for looking after each other and acting very maturely during a discussion about emotions



My Headteacher's award went to Ciara, Jemima and Thomas in Willow, who worked their socks off creating origami cranes for an exhibition in York Minster, they even gave up two lunchtimes to perfect their origami skills!

There will not be a Celebration Worship on Friday as we will be zooming with the Picture News team, finding out all about current events in the word around us and joining with other schools across the country.

Picture News

Story: Danish captain, Simon Kjaer, was hailed a hero for giving lifesaving first aid to his team-mate Christian Eriksen during a recent Euro 2020 football match against Finland.

Question: What life skills should we learn at school?

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

Each week, we put a link to the Picture News assembly onto our website, so please do have a look if you want to see what we are focussing on in school.



Friends of Naburn 100 Club!

The Friends of Naburn (PTA) are very pleased to announce that they are launching their '100 Club' this week! You will receive a leaflet later this week inviting you to join our new school and village initiative. We really need to sell 100 numbers for this club to work so please sign up, buy a number or two or three, and encourage your friends and family to join too. Please return your joining slip to the school as soon as possible so we can process them all before the end of term (24th July) and make the first draw on 1st August. For only £12 a year you are in with a chance of winning £50 per month, so it's well worth taking part! Thanks in advance for your support with this.

Summer Reading Challenge

I launched this in Celebration Worship on Friday, so some of you know already that this begins on 17th July and as always, is a fantastic way to encourage all children in York to keep up with their reading throughout the holidays. This year, WWF are also involved, to challenging the children to help save the planet also!

Children who prefer to take part in the online challenge will find it at

www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk

As well as the challenge, children's activities will also be run in libraries and parks as well as online activities. Information will be available on www.exploreypork.org.uk. Leaflets giving details of the activities will be available from 1st July with booking starting on 5th July online or in your local library.

As always, there will be a School's cup for the school that has the largest percentage of children completing the challenge!

ASC Assistant

I am delighted to announce that we have filled the above post and Miss Gyllyte will start with us in September. She will bring enthusiasm and energy to the post and impressed us greatly at her recent interview. She will also be volunteering in KS2 on two afternoons per week, so supporting Miss Brett when Oak Class are all together doing topic work.

Whole School end of term Fun Day

We are busy putting the final touches to our Fun Day and more information will be sent out separately soon. Please note that we have had to change the date from Tuesday 20th July to Wednesday 21st July.

Yorchestra

Yorchestra is back this summer with 5 different orchestras to suit playing abilities from almost complete beginners (1 term playing) to Grade 8 +!

Prices have been held at pre-Covid levels and everyone gets early bird rate right up to the closing date on 23rd July. Generous bursaries are available.

Please see the attached flyer with details of dates and applications forms.

Marcus Rashford's Holiday Activities and Food programme

We have been asked to share the attached letter with parents to make them aware of the above programme. The programme provides free places to all children eligible for free school meals but is open to all children and backgrounds. Experienced providers are putting on activities in local authorities across England. This means that children from disadvantaged backgrounds can enjoy

delicious, healthy food, take part in lots of great activities and hang out with their friends as well as making new ones.

Reminder about keeping safe

Please remember to keep on keeping safe. There are increasing numbers of covid in York and we have been asked by Public Health England to remind everyone again about the importance of hands, face, space and keeping up with lateral flow testing of adults at home. I know that some of you are getting rather tired of this message, but we just need to keep on with this last push now until the summer holidays.

Many thanks,
Mrs Christison
Headteacher