



Small School Big Ideas

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A Nut Free School



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Dear Parents,

The second week back after Easter has been quite exhausting and at the same time, quite exhilarating. We went through the experience of another Ofsted monitoring visit and took part in a wonderful football final. The pride that both of these special events generates in me is immense.

Although I am not allowed to tell you anything about the findings of our visit from the School Inspectorate, I can tell you that our HMI decided that the progress we have made should allow a full second day inspection. That was and is incredibly encouraging and we will get the report to you as soon as we possibly can. Unfortunately, it might not be published for a couple of months, so please be patient.

I bring to your attention that over the last 16 months we have had two full Ofsted inspections and three Ofsted monitoring visits. It is important for me to acknowledge and thank every member of staff and Governor who has gone through any or all of these and thank them for their commitment, dedication and desire to improve our wonderful school. We keep moving!

Please use the following link if you prefer to listen to me reading the newsletter than reading it yourself. <https://youtu.be/-YuGnC-3H7M>

Football Final

I was sorry that I could not attend the Football Final that our school team were involved in on Tuesday afternoon. It is actually fair to say that the 'small school' we played against was actually nowhere near

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as small as Naburn. However, we competed superbly and delighted the spectators with our determined attitude, hard work and skill. We did not win, but the progress the team has made over the football season has been astonishing. I don't think anyone would have predicted the success they have achieved.

Thank you to Mr Stokell for all his work over the season and for the opportunities that he has enabled the boys to have. Thank you to all the parents and family members who transported and supported.

UNS!



Congratulations Team Naburn – Cup Runners' Up

Preparing for an important event!



National Justice Museum

Both classes really enjoyed the work they were involved in with visitors from the National Justice Museum and the Ministry of Justice. In Acorn, Goldilocks was put on trial for the naughty things she did in the Three Bears' House. Sycamore looked into a cyber-bullying case. A Superb opportunity for all our children and we are very grateful to our special guests for providing it.

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Cooking Club

We had our first Cooking Club on Thursday after school. The children really enjoyed making fruity yoghurts. They looked absolutely delicious. Thank you to Mrs Mann and Miss Brett for running this extra-curricular club.

Article in The York Press

Please use the link below to read an article in which the school and the village get mentions and there are also photographs from previous Royal Events.

<https://www.yorkpress.co.uk/news/23467062.king-charles-iii-coronation-york-hold-least-17-street-parties/>

Parking Enforcement Officers

Two Parking Enforcement Officers came to 'police' the road and pavement outside school on Tuesday. Thank you to those parents who responded to their instructions.

Please may I remind you not to park on the double yellow lines and not to park at junctions or on any corners near to school. This kind of parking cuts down lines of vision for oncoming traffic and makes it so incredibly dangerous for children and parents walking to school in the morning, or leaving in the afternoon. Thank you

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We have some new special characters who you might have seen this morning on the roadside at drop off. See the photograph below.



Open the Book

We had a super visit again from OTB covering the second part of the story of Joseph. We were so happy to see him reunited with his family. Thank you to Open the Book for all that they do for us.



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TEAL Multi Academy Trust Meeting for parents – Monday 15th May 6pm

I am so pleased to announce that **TEAL** will meet with parents on **Monday 15th May at 6pm**. This is the most important meeting of the year and probably in the history of the school, so please make every effort to attend. I will hopefully have more details about the content of the meeting next week. Thank

you and a register will be taken! 😄

Parent Questionnaire – complete by the end of this weekend

You received the annual school parent questionnaire last week. Thank you to everyone who has completed it. All your feedback, either positive or negative, is essential for us to receive, take on board and in turn help us improve. You can use this link which will take you directly to the document. Thank you – https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd9CP7dYiJ2NfuEHt_H-pt2_gsN5Hv0Qr9Fv7W-jYdUDpFb0A/viewform?usp=sf_link

School Photos – Change of date

Our School Class Photographs will now take place on **Tuesday 23rd May**. Please make a note of the new date and that it is a PE day. Children should come to school in perfect school uniform with absolutely no toothpaste medals and bring PE kits with them to get changed into later in the morning. Thank you

Attendance Policy Meeting

I will be presenting our new attendance policy to parents on **Thursday 11th May at 2.30pm** with the Local Authority Attendance Officer, Steph Keenan Logue, who some of you might know. It would be great to have a good turnout to this meeting. 😄

The Coronation Celebration – Message from the PTA

Don't forget about our afternoon tea party to celebrate the King's Coronation. This is being held in the school playground on Friday 5th May, between 13:30 – 16:00.

As part of the celebrations, we are holding a Coronation Quiche Bake Off and encourage everyone to enter. The flavour of the quiche needs to be based loosely on the recipe selected by King Charles himself i.e. at least one of the ingredients, or a twist on the recipe. All entries should either be brought to the Coronation Celebration or sent in with the children in the morning, if you aren't able to make the afternoon. The guests at the event will be asked to sample all of the entries and vote for their favourite. The winner will receive a fantastic prize, fit for a star baker.

Can you help King Charles III? It's not long until the coronation but the crown jewels have been stolen and hidden somewhere in the United Kingdom. If you can identify the location of the jewels you will receive a cash reward. If you would like to be in with a chance of winning, please select a grid reference (or two) where you think the jewels might be hidden. Our map will be available on Friday 28th April and Thursday 4th May at 15:10, in the school playground, as well as on the afternoon of the celebration. It's £1 to enter, 50% of the profit will go to the school and the other 50% will be your

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prize. The location of the jewels and the winner will be announced at the end of the Coronation Celebration.

There will also be a right, royal quiz, testing your knowledge on our Royal Family, Charles himself and all things Regal.

And as if that's not enough...we have a 'Guess the Royal Bear's Name' competition for the children. Anyone who would like to enter needs to write down their suggested name for the bear and return it to the office, with 50p. The winner will be announced at the celebration and will win the bear.

We would greatly appreciate any donations of cakes, biscuits or buns (baked or bought) for the event. If you can help with this, please let the office know as soon as possible and send any items in on Friday morning.

I hope as many of you can come along as possible, it'll be a fantastic afternoon.



The Royal Bear

School will remain open on Industrial Action Days

School will remain **fully open** on the second planned industrial action day, scheduled to take place on **Tuesday 2nd May**.

House Winners and Stars of the Week!

Well done to **Perseverance** for being House attendance champs and to all our Stars of the Week. Overall House winner was **Compassion** – Great work! Congratulations to our 100% attendance award winner, **Violet**

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ESafety Section

Wizz is one of the top 20 social networking downloads from the App Store and has an impressive 10 million users globally. Most of its users are "Generation Z" (that's anyone currently between the ages of about 8 and their early 20s). The makers of the app say its aim is to enable young people to forge rewarding online connections with others, and they say that users should not be under 13. Despite its verification processes and security checks, Wizz *can* still be prone to risk, however. Young people may attempt to bypass the age limit of 13 and – regrettably – wherever young people gather to chat online, potential predators and the possibility of explicit material are seldom far behind. This week's #WakeUpWednesday guide has the lowdown on Wizz. <https://www.naburnschool.com/e-safety-parent-information/e-safety-quick-read-the-wizz-app>

Parent/Headteacher Meetings – Summer Term 2023

I will once again be holding meetings for parents. These are opportunities for you to make an appointment to talk about any school related matters that you might want more information about, or any topics which you would like to bring to my attention.

The individual meetings will take place on a Monday and begin at 4.30pm and finish at 6pm. I will set them out in fifteen minute sessions.

If you would like to make an appointment, please call the school office. I will make a note of these and get back to you with a time for you to come into school.

Please note the dates for these meetings below.

Headteacher/Parent Meeting Dates

Meeting Date	Time
22.5.23	4.30pm to 6pm
4.6.23	4.30pm to 6pm
19.6.23	4.30pm to 6pm
10.7.23	4.30pm to 6pm

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Attendance figures

Attendance data is below:

- This week's School Attendance W/C 17/04/23 = 91.22% - Unauthorised absence = 0.00%
- Last week's School attendance = 73.70% - Unauthorised absence = 8.62%
- Whole School Attendance School Year to date = 87.38% - Unauthorised absence = 2.12%

WE NEED EVERY CHILD IN SCHOOL EVERY DAY AND IF THEY ARE NOT IN OUR SCHOOL THEY SHOULD BE ATTENDING ANOTHER.

Picture News

Story: The coronation of King Charles III will take place at Westminster Abbey on Saturday 6th May.

Question: How do you choose to celebrate significant events?

Virtual Picture News: Found here: www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss

Hope you have a great Bank Holiday weekend. **UNS!!!!!!**

Best wishes



Jonathan Green
Headteacher

Safeguarding

If you have significant concerns for the welfare of a child, in addition to being able to contact Mr Green, Mrs Burton or Mrs Noble during school hours, you may wish to make direct contact with the [York MASH \(Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub\)](#) on T: 01904 551900, option 3. They operate an out-of-hours service so concerns can be raised with them at any time.

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