



Small School Big Ideas

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A Nut Free School



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Dear Parents,

We had a super start to the new half term. Time is marching on and I have popped a few dates below to remind you of the exciting events that are happening this half term. You should already have got most details for these and might already have booked/paid if necessary, but they might serve as a good prompt/nudge/reminder for you. For other events, later in the half term, more details will be sent in the coming weeks. Thank you.

Due to some technical issues today unfortunately I will not be able to record my newsletter as usual. That might be a blessed relief for you, but a frustration for me! Normal service will resume next week.

#### School date Reminders

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June** - Cricket tournament. Bishopthorpe Cricket Club (pm).

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June** - Countryside Day – Sycamore Class

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June** – Acorn Class Parents and Grandparents dinner

**W/C 19<sup>th</sup> June** - Bikeability for Y5/Y6.

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June** – Yorkshire Vikings v Northants Steelbacks – Cricket trip to Headingley, Leeds (set off from school at 4.30pm)

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June** – School visit to Millbridge Farm (pm)

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June** – Sycamore Class Parents and Grandparents dinner.

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June** – PTA Cricket games and picnic – 6pm at the Village Hall

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June** - Sports Day – pm.

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June** – Pedestrian Training – Y3/4 (pm)

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> - Wed 28<sup>th</sup> June** – Y5/6 Residential to Malham YHA

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June** – Millbridge Farm residents meeting at Millbridge – 10am

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June** – School Reports sent home

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**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July** – Sycamore visit to Royal Armouries, Leeds.

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July** – Transition Day for Fulford.

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July** – Acorn Class Assembly (2.30pm – Village Hall)

**W/C 10<sup>th</sup> July** – Parent/Teacher Interviews

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July** – Sycamore Class Assembly (2.30pm – Village Hall)

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July** – Naburn Village Gala (Some school involvement – I understand that I will be in the stocks at the very least – Hmmm?)

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July** – Superteams (am)

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July** – Y6 Assembly (Village Hall)

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July** – Special goodbye assembly and tea party for Miss Brett – School Hall (2.30pm to 4.30pm)

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July** – PTA Break the Rules Day and Teddy Zip Line Competition

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July** – PTA end of academic year BBQ – 5pm onwards

**NB** - Swimming continues every Friday, apart from the last week of term.

### **Parking at 'Pick Up' and 'Drop Off'**

A recurring plea to all parents who drive to and from school. Please make sure you park responsibly at 'pick up' and 'drop off'.

I am still receiving complaints from residents who tell me that some parents are continuing to park in the restricted areas and are therefore making it really difficult for these same residents to negotiate safely out of their drives. Please observe the rules and pay attention to the cut out figures and the yellow lines. Thank you

### **YoYo Prayer Spaces at St Matthews Church**

Thankyou so much to Yoyo and Mr Beresford for a really wonderful afternoon of Pentecost themed activities in church. We acted out the story of Pentecost; learned all about the meaning of the Holy Spirit; decorated doves with the names of people for whom we wished peace in their life; made bracelets which spelled out 'fruits of the spirit' such as love, joy and patience; contributed to a 'wow wall'....and generally had a fabulous time!



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## Scavenger Hunt!

Exciting scavenger hunting took place this week in Acorn Class on a very lovely Monday afternoon this week. See the photos below for some of the items they discovered in our school grounds!



## Frictional Force

Sycamore worked on frictional force on the same day, using toy cars, a file for incline and different surfaces for the vehicles to run across. They were really careful to make sure that all their tests were fair and efficiently organised. They also made sure that they collected the results accurately, so they could make the most informed conclusions from their work. See the photographs below.

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## Clean Air Day - Let's take steps to protect our health from air pollution this #CleanAirDay on 15th June 2023.

Even though we can't see it, air pollution impacts our health whatever age we are. Children are especially vulnerable to the effects, with air pollution linked to low birth weights and poor lung development; it can even contribute to reduced intelligence and mental health issues.

Clean Air Day 2023 aims to highlight that improving air quality not only benefits our physical health and the environment but can also protect our mental and brain health.

The good news is there are simple steps we can all take to help us avoid toxic air and cut down on the pollution we cause. Any reductions in air pollution that we make will lead to health improvements for us and in our local community – we all have a part to play!

### What can you do to improve air quality outside school

On Clean Air Day (Thursday 15th June), we would encourage you to walk, cycle or scoot to school if possible (or walk part of the journey from a nearby location). Walking is an easy and accessible way to improve physical and mental health and helps to improve local air quality.

If you have to drive to school, please help to improve air quality by always switching off your engine whenever you are waiting and politely remind others to do the same. To find out more about York's anti-idling campaign visit <https://www.york.gov.uk/EngineOff>

The Personal Air Pollution Calculator is a free to use online tool to work out how much pollution you produce, how you can reduce it and protect your health: <https://calculator.cleanairhub.org.uk>

To find out more about air quality and how to improve it, visit the national Clean Air Hub website: <https://www.cleanairhub.org.uk/>

### Open The Book



Thank you to the Open the Book Team for leading such a brilliant recount performance of Moses in the desert and Manna from heaven.

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### Ofsted Report published

Please be aware that you will soon receive a copy of our latest Ofsted report from our end of April inspection. Thank you

### Cycling outside school after 3.30pm

Please note that I have recently spotted a number of children cycling past school after 3.30pm and not always doing this safely. I have had a chat with the children concerned in school, but a prompt from parents might also help. Thank you

### Parent and Grandparent Dinners

We have now received confirmation from Mellors (the school meal provider) that our Parent and Grandparents meals can go ahead again! Yippee! This will be a wonderful opportunity to share a meal with your child in school.

We have arranged different dates for Key Stage 1 and 2. The date for Acorn parents is Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June (week 3 menu). For Sycamore we have set aside Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June (week 1 menu).

If you are interested in taking this offer up, please refer to the menus on our school website: <https://www.naburnschool.com/parents/school-menu>. The jacket of the day on a Thursday is beans and cheese. Please arrive at 12.10pm on the day that you have booked, so that we can arrange for your child to join you before service begins.

The adult cost of the meal is **£3.60**. Please refer to the letter you received on Monday for more details about how you can order you can order your dinner and make the most of this opportunity.

### Open Afternoon – Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June – 2pm

Thank you to all the parents who attended our Open Afternoon yesterday. You joined in brilliantly and were perfectly behaved. Acorn were marking World Ocean Day by making fishy creatures and Sycamore were following their Crime and Punishment project and made bows.

We hope the parents that attended enjoyed their class visits and our Celebration Assembly.



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### Cooking Club

Thank you to Mrs Mann, Miss Brett and Charles' Grandma for leading Cooking Club on Thursday after school. The smell of Blueberry Pancakes wafting into my office was sensational. They must have been yummy.



### Environment Agency talk

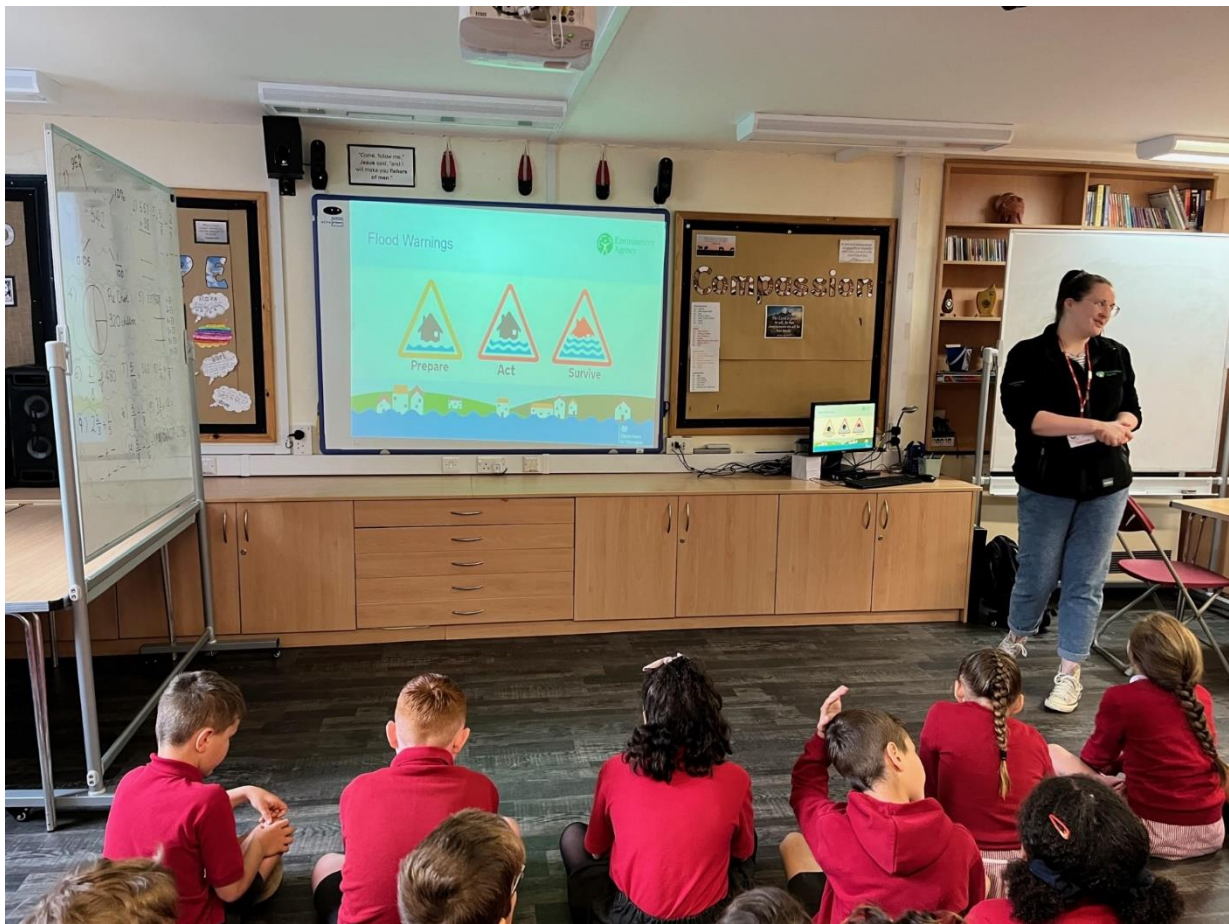
On Thursday morning, KS2 children were visited by Lori from the Environment Agency. Her talk began with a presentation about the reasons why flooding is becoming an increased issue. It continued with her discussing the issues and risks of flooding in Naburn.

The children learnt about the flood resilience measures being looked at for Naburn homes and the school. The children really enjoyed the visit and engaged well. They had lots of relevant, intelligent questions for her.

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### Remember a Water Bottle and hat please

Please can you also make every effort to give your child a reusable drink container for them to use during the school day and a hat to protect them from the sun at playtime. Thank you

### Friends of Naburn CE Primary School

We're gearing up to make the last half term jam packed with fun and exciting events, which I hope you and the children will all take part in and enjoy. Here's some things we've got in store for you;

Calling all cricket players!!!

To celebrate all the wonderful men in our children's lives we're arranging a Naburn vs Stillingfleet cricket match. We would love as many dad's/male figures as possible to get involved, and for the children to join in too. Mr Green will be providing the rules and regulations, umpiring and joining in too. Everyone is invited to come along and watch, bringing a picnic tea and of course your own (alcoholic) beverages. This will be held on the village hall field, on Thursday 22 June, starting at 18:00. Will you be team Naburn or team Stillingfleet?! Please get in touch to let us know if you can compete.

We want to make the end of term as fun for the children as possible, and what better way to do this than a break the rules day!! We will be sending home a list of school rules that the children can break for the small fee of 20p per rule broken. This will take place on the last day of term, (Friday 21 July). To add to the excitement, we are also holding a teddy bear zip line race on the same day. All children should bring in their most 'athletic' teddy, which will compete for the title of 'Naburn's Fastest Bear'.

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All teddies will have their details recorded on arrival, (name, age, weight and height) and their harness fitted. They'll then race against each other, competing for the fastest speed. There'll be a trip to the tediatrix after the race, to make sure there are no injuries and then they will receive their certificate for taking part. The fastest teddy will win a grand prize! If you can spare some time helping with this event, please let the school office know.

And, the most important date for your diary, the end of year school party! This will be held on Friday 21 July at school, starting at 17:00. We would love to see as many of you there as possible. We're hoping to have a bar, pizza and activities for the children. It's a fantastic opportunity for everyone to get together, celebrate the end of the school year, as well as the fantastic news that we are joining TEAL, meaning Naburn will live on for years to come, as it rightfully should! Letters will be coming out soon about the event, so keep your eyes out.

In between all this, we are also planning another film night. This will be on a Friday, straight after school. The children will be asked to vote for the film they would like to watch, which we will announce over the coming weeks. Popcorn, juice and biscuits will be provided for the small fee of £3.50. More information will be coming soon.

We have also been looking ahead to next year, to see what fantastic events we can organise, not only for the children, but for parents and the local community too. We're hoping to hold a social event in October, with a live band, quiz and games. As part of this, we would love to run a promise auction, but to do this we need your help. Are you able to offer a service that you would happily provide, free of charge, to raise money for the school? Do you own something that could be loaned out or have expertise in a certain field you could provide to someone? If so, please let us know by contacting the school office. All of the promises that are kindly offered will be auctioned off to the highest bidder at the end of the evening.

We're also looking at running a smaller social during the 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> week of term, so our new starters can get to know their class mates outside of the classroom. We hope as many current parents and children will be able to come and welcome our new families.

We've got a tonne of ideas for next year, as well as bringing back popular events, like the All Hallows Eve party. We're always looking for more ideas though, so please do get in touch if you have any thoughts on events we can run or have any fundraising ideas.

### **House Winners and Stars of the Week!**

Well done to **Compassion** for being House attendance champs. Overall House winners were **Community**. Congratulations to all our Stars of the Week, TTRockstar Certificate winners and our 100% attendance award winner, **Arthur**.

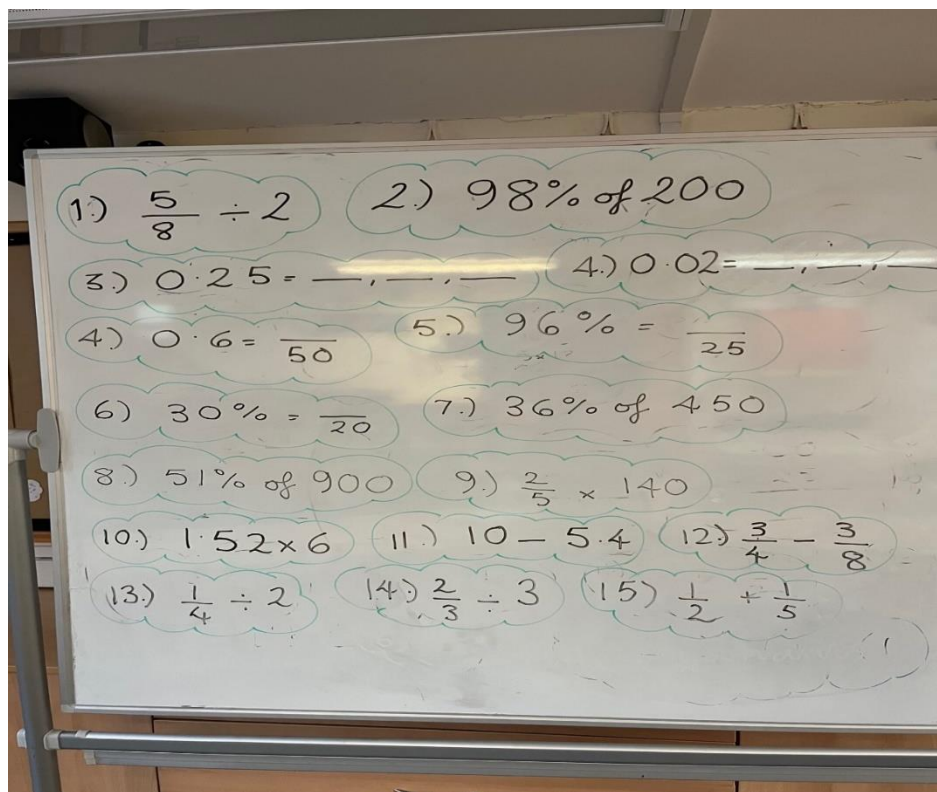
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## Parent/Headteacher Meetings – Summer Term 2023

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. The next meeting opportunity is this coming Monday.

### Headteacher/Parent Meeting Dates

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

## ESafety Section

Anime is a truly colossal market, with around 300 separate shows and films being created in the last year alone. Many have applauded anime as an industry for its willingness to take risks in its storytelling, with the best examples of the genre creating something truly unique and beautiful, with genuine artistic value. However, anime spans all age ratings and many types of content – from innocuous, child-friendly material, all the way to highly-adult themes. The #WakeUpWednesday guide explores the risks of anime, detailing what can be done to keep children safe while they enjoy it.

<https://www.naburnschool.com/e-safety-parent-information/e-safety-quick-read-anime>

## Attendance figures

- This week's School Attendance W/C 5/6/23 = 84.69% - Unauthorised absence = 3.11%
- Last week's School attendance W/C 22/5/23 = 85.48% - Unauthorised absence = 4.09%
- Whole School Attendance School Year to date = 86.70% - Unauthorised absence = 2.17%

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

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

Best wishes



Jonathan Green  
Headteacher

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## ***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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