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Autumn Term Newsletter 10

Dear Mums/Dads/Carers,

Snow Days

We had a fantastic adventure in the snow last week, especially on Tuesday! If you haven't seen the photos and videos from the day, please have a look on Dojo. There are some fantastic ones on there, including some of me being absolutely annihilated by the children!

I am aware that lots of other local schools chose to close because of the snow on Tuesday. Whatever decisions these other schools made will have been right for them. Every school is different, with different circumstances, and our circumstances allowed us to stay open.

It will be very rare for us to close on a snow day in the future too. Children tend to have much more fun in the snow when they are in school, enjoying time with their friends.

Christmas Performance Tickets

Tickets for each of our Christmas productions will be available from Wednesday November 27. Every child is allocated two tickets for their family, these will be given out to the children to take home.

If you would like any extras, please let our office know on Wednesday and we will add you to our reserve list. Reserve list tickets will be made available on Monday December 9.

Christmas Production times:

Early Years (FS1 and FS2) – Thursday December 12 at 10am and 2pm

Key Stage 1 (Year 1 and Year 2) – Thursday December 19 at 10am and 2pm

Facebook and Instagram

We are beginning the process of joining social media platforms. We are in the very early stages of this and there are lots of steps we have to work through to ensure pupil privacy and security. We will be running two accounts:

One will be a 'showcase' page, with photos and videos of our children and our school. This will be open to the public and all your extended families (grandparents, aunts, uncles etc.) will be able to see what's going on in school.

The other will be a 'closed' page for parents/carers only and will have the facility for you to make comments and ask questions. This one is taking a bit longer to set up, as there are several security steps to work through.

You should have received a permissions form for your child/children to have their photos displayed on our social media pages. Please complete these as soon as you can. Thank you.

Christmas Clear Out Toy Sale

Our 'Christmas Clear Out' Toy Sale will take place next Friday on 06/12/24. This allows families to make a bit of room in your homes before Christmas and for our children to pick out a toy at a very cheap cost.

If you have any toys you wish to donate, please bring them up to school by next Wednesday (04/12/24) and leave them with our office team or in our infant hall.

These toys will be sold to our children at very low prices – 50p, £1 or £2 each. All the money raised will go towards future events for our children.



Reward Experiences

Our class reward experiences have started to take place, with lots booked in for this week too! Each class has worked incredibly hard to reach the top of their reward towers and these rewards are a great recognition of their brilliant efforts in the classroom.

Assessment Week

This week and next week, our children will be taking a series of assessments (both formal and informal) to see how they are doing with their learning. This will be done in a kind and caring fashion. Please let us know if your child is worried during any of this and we can amend our provision accordingly. I uploaded a video about assessments onto Dojo last week. Please have a look, if you would like more information on this.

After-School Clubs

And finally, a reminder that our after-school enrichment clubs for the autumn term have now ended. After Christmas, we will have a new set of clubs on offer. We will still be running our after-school childcare provision every evening (apart from the two Fridays on the dates list below).

Many thanks for your continued help and support,



Nadeem Shah Executive Headteacher



Autumn Term Diary Dates

Monday November 25	Assessment Week
Tuesday November 26	Year 5 Elephants and Owls Classes Reward Trip to Cineworld
	Year 3 Spiders Class Library Visit
	Year 2 Dragonflies Forest School Reward *new date
Wednesday November 27	Year 2 Starfish and Nurture Rabbits Class Reward Trip to Cineworld
	Christmas performance tickets to be sent home with the children
Thursday November 28	Year 3 Spiders Class and Tanukis Class Reward Trip to the Cinema
Monday December 2	Assessment Week Part 2 *new date
Tuesday December 3	Year 2 Starfish Class Library Visit
Thursday December 5	New FS1 (nursery) children transition session with parents in class 9.30am to 11am *new date
Friday December 6	Christmas Clear Out Toy Sale
	New FS1 (nursery) children transition session with parents meeting in the hall 9.30am to 11am *new date
Monday December 9	Reserve list tickets for our Christmas Productions available
Tuesday December 10	Visit from Father Christmas and Mrs Claus
Thursday December 12	EYFS Nativity at 10am and 2pm
Friday December 13	Santa Fun Run
	No after-school childcare this evening
Monday December 16	Christmas Crafts with Parents/Carers for Years 1/2 and Year 5/6
Tuesday December 17	Christmas Crafts with Parents/Carers for EYFS and Year 3/4
Wednesday December 18	Christmas Dinner
	Carols in the Courtyard at 3pm
Thursday December 19	Year 1/2 Christmas Show at 10am and 2pm
Friday December 20	Last day of autumn half-term 2
	Wear Something Christmassy Day
	No after-school childcare this evening

Spring Term Diary Dates 2025

Monday January 6, 2025	Inset Day
Tuesday January 7, 2025	Children return to school
Tuesday January 14, 2025	Year 2 Dragonflies Class Library Visit
Monday January 20, 2025	After-School Enrichment Clubs Begin
Tuesday January 21, 2025	Year 1 Hedgehogs Class Library Visit
Tuesday January 28, 2025	Talent Show Heats
	Year 1 Lizards Class Library Visit
Wednesday January 29, 2025	Talent Show Heats
Tuesday February 4, 2025	Talent Show Finals
	Year 6 Wolves Class Library Visit
Wednesday February 5, 2025	Year 5 Transition Event at Shirebrook Academy
	Year 5/6 Parent/Carer Meeting for Scarborough Residential at 5pm
Tuesday February 11, 2025	Year 2 Dragonflies Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
	Year 6 Goats Class Library Visit
Wednesday February 12, 2025	Year 2 Starfish Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
Friday February 14, 2025	Times Tables Rock Stars Day *new date
	Last day of spring half-term 1
Monday February 24, 2025	Children return to school
Tuesday February 25, 2025	Year 5 Elephants Class Library Visit
Friday February 28, 2025	Year 5/6 Scarborough Residential Payment Deadline
Tuesday March 4, 2025	Year 1 Hedgehogs Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
	Year 5 Owls Class Library Visit
Wednesday March 5, 2025	Year 1 Lizards Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
Thursday March 6, 2025	World Book Day
Friday March 7, 2025	After-School Enrichment Clubs End
Monday March 10, 2025	Year 4 Trip to Jorvik Viking Centre
Tuesday March 11, 2025	FS2 Giraffes Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
	Year 4 Panthers Class Library Visit
Wednesday March 12, 2025	FS2 Flamingoes Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
Tuesday March 18, 2025	Year 6 Wolves Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
	Year 4 Koalas Class Library Visit
Wednesday March 19, 2025	Year 6 Goats Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
Friday March 21, 2025	Family Chocolate Bingo Night at 5pm
Tuesday March 25, 2025	Year 5 Owls Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
	Year 3 Tanukis Class Library Visit
	Parents' Evening
Wednesday March 26, 2025	Year 5 Elephants Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
	Parents' Evening
Thursday March 27, 2025	Parents' Evening
Tuesday April 1, 2025	Year 3 Spiders Class Library Visit

Wednesday April 2, 2025	Year 3/4 Production at 10am and 2pm
Friday April 4, 2025	Easter Eggs and/or Easter Bonnets (optional homework activity)
	Last day of spring half-term 2

Summer Term Diary Dates 2025

Tuesday April 22, 2025	Inset Day
Wednesday April 23, 2025	Children return to school
Tuesday April 29, 2025	Year 2 Starfish Class Library Visit
Monday May 5, 2025	Bank Holiday
Tuesday May 6, 2025	Year 2 Dragonflies Class Library Visit
Monday May 12, 2025	Year 6 SATs Week
Tuesday May 13, 2025	Year 1 Hedgehogs Class Library Visit
Tuesday May 20, 2025	Year 1 Lizards Class Library Visit
Friday May 23, 2025	Last day of summer half-term 1
Monday June 2, 2025	Children return to school
Tuesday June 3, 2025	FS2 Giraffes Class Library Visit
Tuesday June 10, 2025	FS2 Flamingoes Class Library Visit
Tuesday June 17, 2025	Year 6 Wolves Class Library Visit
Tuesday June 24, 2025	Year 6 Goats Class Library Visit
Monday June 30, 2025	Year 5 leave for the residential trip to Scarborough
Wednesday July 2, 2025	Year 6 leave for the residential trip to Scarborough
	Year 5 return from the residential trip to Scarborough
Friday July 4, 2025	Year 6 return from the residential trip to Scarborough
Monday July 7, 2025	Year 4 Trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park
Thursday July 24, 2025	Last day of summer half-term 2

Autumn Term Diary Dates 2025

Thursday September 4, 2025	Inset Day
Friday September 5, 2025	Inset Day
Monday September 8, 2025	Children Return to School