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Spring Term Newsletter 4

Dear Mums/Dads/Carers,

Swimming Sessions – Junior School

We are incredibly excited to tell you that all our Junior School classes will be having a number of swimming sessions in the Elite Sport swimming pool! This will start from next Monday, February the 2nd.

The pool is already located in a marquee on our Junior School playground. It takes a week to fill it up and heat up the temperature.

The children will change in pop-up change tents in school and make their way to the pool. On the days when they are swimming, your child will need to bring their swimming kit into school. The children will be taught in small groups of approximately 8 – 12 with qualified swim teachers. The kit that the children will need is detailed below (please note the recommended and mandatory items). The dates your child will be swimming have been shared in a separate letter.

If you haven't already done so, please return the separate consent form back to school asap. Your child will not be able to participate in the sessions without consent. Please note – it is important that your child takes part in swimming sessions; schools have a statutory duty to provide swimming instruction, and it is a vital life skill for children to gain.

Please be aware of the following kit requirements and rules:

Swimwear must be suitable for the purpose and preferably of a dark colour to enable the swimmer to be seen clearly underwater. Girls must wear a one-piece swimming costume and boys must wear swimming trunks. The School Swimming Teacher may allow boys to wear appropriate shorts; however, these must not be below the knee.

Towel for after the session.

Goggles are recommended and children must be responsible for these; school cannot take any responsibility for any that get broken or lost. Goggles should be made of unbreakable plastic or rubber materials and children taught to use them correctly and safely prior to their attendance at the pool.

Hair must be tied back if long or of a length which may impair vision.

Swim Caps must be worn. There will be some available to borrow if needed.

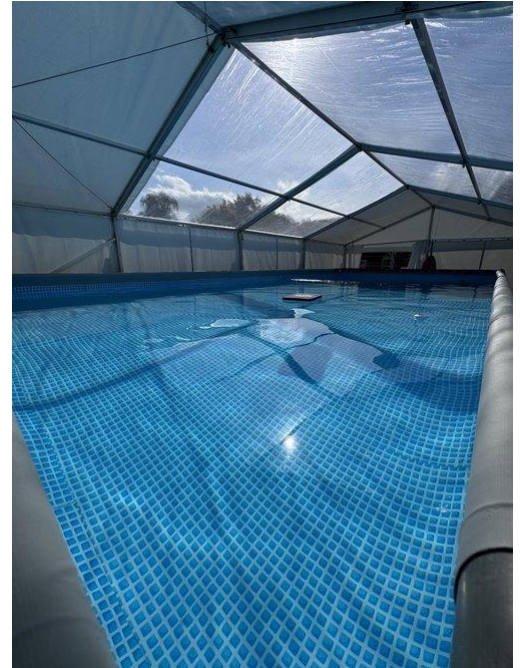
Dressing gown/changing robe/poncho style towel – these are a must for when the children are making their way to the marquee in their swim kit.

Sliders/Flip flops/Crocs – again needed for when the children are making their way to the marquee once changed.

All Jewellery/watches must be removed prior to the swimming lesson (plasters covering newly pierced parts of the body must be removed together with the jewellery before a child will be allowed to swim). Please be advised that anyone with freshly pierced ears (or other body piercing) will be unable to swim until such time that jewellery can be removed. Safety medi-alert bracelets or necklaces should be removed and given to the Adult in Charge for safe keeping during the swimming lesson and returned to the pupil immediately the pupil exits from the water.

PLEASE NOTE IF YOUR CHILD IS ASTHMATIC, THEY MUST HAVE AN INHALER IN SCHOOL. WITHOUT AN INHALER HE/SHE WILL BE UNABLE TO TAKE PART IN THE LESSON.

Talent Show Finals



What an amazing show we had, with superb performances from our hugely talented finalists!

We're all extremely proud of them, not only for their fantastic performances but for being brave enough to perform in front of so many people as well!

A special 'shout out' to our Pupil Management Team for organising the event. Well done and thank you to Finley, Amarlie-Rai, Lewis and Katy-Louise!



The videos have been uploaded onto Class Dojo and an overview video is also on our social media pages.

Proud Station

Our Thursday lunchtime Proud Station has begun! Please encourage your child to join in with celebrating their work from the week. Pictures from last week are up on our Dojo platform. This is a great new addition to building our children's self-esteem and pride in their school work.

Thursday After-School Clubs Reminder

A reminder that, as shared on the after-school club timetables, there are no after-school enrichment clubs this Thursday. Our after-school childcare will still be on that evening.

Dinner Menu

This week's school dinner menu is outlined below:

Week 2		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10.11.25	The Main Event	NEW Chicken Goujons with Homemade BBQ Sauce, Mixed Rice & Seasonal Vegetables	Margherita Pizza with Seasonal Vegetables	Yorkshire Pudding with Roast Pork, Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Big Breakfast with Sausage & Bacon or a Vegan Breakfast Hash Browns, Baked Beans & Tomatoes	NEW Harry Ramsden's Battered Fish Fillet with Chips & Seasonal Vegetables
01.12.25	Alternative Choice	Quorn Dippers with Mixed Rice & Seasonal Vegetables	Vegetables Bolognese with Pasta, Seasonal Vegetables & Garlic Bread	Yorkshire Pudding with a Quorn Fillet, Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Jacket Potato with Cook's Choice of Filling & Seasonal Vegetables	Creamy Cheesy Pasta Bake with Crusty Bread & Seasonal Vegetables
05.01.26						
26.01.26	Daily Choice	Egg Sandwich Pasta Bake	Ham Sandwich Jacket with Beans	Tuna Sandwich Pasta Bake	Chicken Sandwich Jacket with Tuna	Bacon Sandwich Jacket with Beans
23.02.26						
16.03.26	Dessert	Vanilla Shortbread Slice	Chocolate Cracknel	50% Bitesize Sprinkle Cake with Fruit	Jelly & Fruit	NEW Jam Roly Poly & Custard

Many thanks for your continued help and support,

Nadeem Shah
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Executive Headteacher



Spring Term Diary Dates 2026

Monday January 26	Class 6P visit to the National Holocaust Museum
Tuesday January 27	Library visit – Year 2 Owls
	Class 5W Reward trip to Ice Skating
Wednesday January 28	Girls Football Finals at Derby Racecourse
	Year 1/2 Agility Competition
Thursday January 29	Year 6 Playmaker Training
Friday January 30	Class 6M visit to the National Holocaust Museum
Monday February 2	Swimming Pool on site for 3 weeks
Tuesday February 3	Library visit – Class FS1 Ladybirds (morning)
Thursday February 5	Drumming Workshops by Jeff Rich (former drummer from Status Quo)
	Year 6 London Residential Parent Meeting at 5pm
Friday February 6	Library visit – Class FS1 Ladybirds (afternoon)
Tuesday February 10	Safer Internet Day
	Library visit – Year 2 Dragonflies
Wednesday February 11	SEND Learning Plans Review – Parents' Meeting
	Valentine Disco
	Parent Forum at 6pm
Thursday February 12	Parent/Carer Meeting for Year 5 Scarborough Residential at 5pm
Friday February 13	Last day of spring half-term 1
Monday February 23	Children return to school
Tuesday February 24	Library visit – Year 1 Rabbits
Wednesday February 25	Year 2 Owls Class Assembly at 9am – Mrs Mills
	Parent/Carer Meeting for Year 4 Walesby Residential at 5pm
Thursday February 26	Year 2 Dragonflies Class Assembly at 9am – Mrs Grayson
Friday February 27	Class Newsletters sent home
	Residential Trip Final Payment Deadline – Years 4/5/6
Monday March 2	Year 4 Trip to the Jorvik Viking Centre
	Fire Safety with Year 2 and Year 6
Tuesday March 3	Year 1 Butterflies Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Wheeldon
	Library visit – Year 1 Butterflies
Wednesday March 4	Year 1 Rabbits Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Melvin
Thursday March 5	World Book Day
Friday March 6	Final day for Swimming Pool on site
	Choir Concert at Frasers Group Auditorium
	Final day for After-School Enrichment Clubs
Monday March 9	Assessment Week
	Book Fair in all week
Tuesday March 10	FS2 Monkeys Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Thornewill
	Library visit – FS2 Monkeys
Wednesday March 11	FS2 Elephants Class Assembly at 9am – Mrs Watson
Thursday March 12	Parent Forum at 9am
	Mothers' Day Breakfast from 7.45am – Infant School
Friday March 13	Non-Uniform Day with Easter Egg Donation
Monday March 16	Mothers' Day Breakfast from 7.45am – Junior School

Tuesday March 17	FS1 Ladybirds Class Assembly at 9am and 2.30pm – Mrs Gardner
	Library visit – FS2 Elephants
	Parents' Evening
Wednesday March 18	Parents' Evening
Thursday March 19	Parents' Evening
Friday March 20	Family Event 'Chocolate Bingo Night' at 5pm
Tuesday March 24	Library visit – Class 6P
Wednesday March 25	Year 3/4 Production at 10am and 2pm
Friday March 27	Easter Egg and Easter Bonnet Competition
	Last day of autumn half-term 2

Summer Term Diary Dates 2026

Monday April 13	Children return to school
	Swimming Pool on site for 2 weeks
Tuesday April 14	Library visit – Class 6M
Friday April 17	Class Newsletters sent home
Tuesday April 21	Library visit – Class 5R
Monday April 27	After-School Enrichment Clubs begin
Tuesday April 28	Year 4 Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Beckett
	Library visit – Class 5W
Wednesday April 29	Year 4 Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Chapman
Monday May 4	Bank Holiday
Tuesday May 5	Bikeability for Year 4
	Library visit – Class FS1 Ladybirds
Wednesday May 6	Year 3 Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Thompson
	Class 4B Trip to Eyam
	Bikeability for Year 5
Thursday May 7	Year 3 Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Johnston
	Bikeability for Year 5
Friday May 8	Class 4C Trip to Eyam
	Bikeability for Year 5
Monday May 11	Year 6 SATs Week – Monday to Thursday
Tuesday May 12	Library visit – Class 4C
Friday May 15	Year 6 Trip to the Mill Adventure Base
Tuesday May 19	Year 1 Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Wheeldon
	Library visit – Class 4B
Wednesday May 20	Year 1 Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Melvin
Thursday May 21	Last day of summer half-term 1 for the children
Friday May 22	Inset Day
Monday June 1	Children return to school
	Enrichment Week (children off curriculum all week)
	Year 4 Residential trip to Walesby Forest (3 days and 2 nights)
Tuesday June 2	Year 5 Residential trip to Scarborough (3 days and 2 nights)
	Library visit – Class 3J
Wednesday June 3	Year 6 Residential trip to London (3 days and 2 nights)
	Year 4 return from Walesby Forest

Thursday June 4	Year 5 return from Scarborough
	Year 2 overnight sleepover at school
Friday June 5	Year 6 return from London
Tuesday June 9	Year 2 Class Assembly at 9am – Mrs Mills
	Library visit – Class 3T
Wednesday June 10	Year 2 Class Assembly at 9am – Mrs Grayson
Tuesday June 16	Year 6 Class Assembly at 9am – Mr Powers
	Library visit – Class FS1 Ladybirds
Wednesday June 17	Year 6 Class Assembly at 9am – Mrs Marriott
Thursday June 18	Fathers' Day Breakfast from 7.45am – Infant School
Friday June 19	Last day for After-School Enrichment Clubs
Monday June 22	Fathers' Day Breakfast from 7.45am – Junior School
	Assessment Week
Tuesday June 23	FS2 Class Assembly at 9am – Mrs Watson
	Library visit – Year 2 Owls
Wednesday June 24	FS2 Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Thornewill
Tuesday June 30	Year 5 Class Assembly at 9am – Mr Rodgers
	Library visit – Year 2 Dragonflies
Wednesday July 1	Year 5 Class Assembly at 9am – Mr Watson
	SEND Learning Plans Review – Parents' Meeting
Tuesday July 7	Library visit – Year 1 Butterflies
Wednesday July 8	EYFS Sports Day at 9.15am
Wednesday July 8	Summer Disco and Year 6 Prom
Thursday July 9	Sports Day for Years 1/2/3 at 9.30am
	Sports Day for Years 4/5/6 at 1.15pm
Tuesday July 14	Library visit – Year 1 Rabbits
Thursday July 16	Colour Run
Friday July 17	Reserve Sports Day
Tuesday July 21	Band Showcase at 2.30pm
	End of Year Reports sent home
Wednesday July 22	Year 2 Graduation at 9.30am
Thursday July 23	Year 6 Graduation at 9.30am and Year 6 Leavers Events (pm)
	Last day of summer half-term 2

Autumn Term Diary Dates 2026

Friday September 4	Inset Day
Monday September 7	Children return to school
Friday October 23	Last day of autumn half-term 1
Monday November 2	Inset Day
Tuesday November 3	Children return to school
Friday December 18	Last day of autumn half-term 2
Monday January 4, 2027	Inset Day
Tuesday January 5, 2027	Children return to school