



Park Spring Primary Weekly Newsletter

Wednesday 9th May 2018

Ethos Statement "How To Stay Calm In A New Environment"

Summer Term 1 Diary Dates

Please find below a list of events that will be taking place during this term;

- 08-10.05.18 Malham Residential
- 14-18.05.18 SATs Week
- 15 & 17.05.18 Nursery trip to Eureka
- 17.05.18 Year 1 Trip to Flamborough
- 21.05.18 Walk To School Week
- 21.05.18 E-safety Sessions for parents
- 23.05.18 Year 3 Trip to Temple Newsam
- 23.05.18 Year 4 Performances - Anglo Saxons
- 24.05.18 FOPS End of Year Disco
- 25.05.18 Break up for Half-Term
- 04.06.18 School Reopens

School Start Times

May we please remind you that school starts at 8.55am and all children should arrive in time for them to be able to be in class by then. All entrances to classrooms are now accessible. This will also help to avoid congestion at the school office on a morning.

If you have to drop off siblings at different areas of the school, and are finding it difficult to get them all at the right place at the right time, please speak to your youngest child's teacher and they will try to make arrangements for your other child(ren) to enter school via their classroom.

It is most beneficial to our children's learning when they are in school, on time.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Have Your Say On The Leeds Easter School Holidays

Leeds City Council is seeking your views on the timing on the Easter break for the next few academic years. Since 2011, Leeds has fixed its Easter school holidays to the first two weeks of April, regardless of when the Easter bank holiday weekend falls. We are now seeking public opinion to decide whether to stick with this arrangement or return to an Easter break that moves depending on when the bank holiday weekend falls. Your feedback will help us make a decision on the best term dates for Leeds. To comment, please visit this website by 8th June 2018

www.leeds.gov.uk/easterholidayconsultation or visit the school office for a paper copy.

ATTENDANCE

If your child is going to be absent from school then please text this number. 07706172385.

Please note that this phone will not be answered for phone calls. This is last week's attendance report for the week ending 4th May 2018:

Rec a	98%	Rec b	94.7%
1a	94.8%	1b	98.6%
2a	97.3%	2b	98%
3a	97.9%	3b	97.5%
4a	98.7%	4b	95.4%
5a	94.6%	5b	97%
6a	92.4%	6b	97.8%

School Uniform

All items of school uniform, including pumps, must now be ordered at the school office. Items ordered before lunch time will be ready for collection by the end of the day, subject to availability.

May we take this opportunity to please remind you that all children should have a pair of indoor pumps in school at all times. Thank you

SATs Breakfast Club

Year 6 have breakfast club in their classrooms next week at 8.15, to help them prepare and get settled for SATs.

Early Collection of Children

If you need to collect your child/children from school early for an appointment, please arrive at least 5 minutes before you need them to allow time for them to get to the office. Thank you

FOPS

The monthly FOPS meeting will be on Thursday 26th April at 2pm in the staff room to discuss upcoming events. Please feel free to come along if you can help out with any events or have any ideas you'd like to share with us.

E-Safety Sessions

There will be two sessions on the 21st May at 2pm and 6pm, each expected to last about an hour. There will be a crèche available at 6pm.

You are welcome to just turn up on the day, but it would help us if you can confirm your interest to attend with Mrs Hall, Mrs Chapman or the school office.



Brathay Trust



Internet Safety: Awareness Session

This is a great opportunity for any parent/s who want to increase their knowledge on how to stay safe on the internet and raise awareness of what their children may be exposed to.

The session will increase your knowledge of what apps are available to children, the dangers of not using the internet safely, how you can keep children safe online, and there will be an opportunity to ask any questions you may have.



Notices

Please could we ask that, if possible, lunch boxes are labelled on the outside with name and class.

Please remember that all of our children should be wearing school shoes every day as part of their school uniform.

The reception and Year 6 photographs will now be taken on 21st May.

Dinner Money

May we respectfully remind you that all dinner money should be paid in advance. Please see the School Dinner Policy which can be found on the school website, or, you can obtain a copy from the school office. If you have an outstanding balance, please pay at the school office as soon as possible. Thank you

If you are experiencing difficulty in paying, or believe your child should be entitled to free school meals, please speak to the school office.

Parent Forum Feedback

Thank you to those parents who attended or gave feedback. The main items that were discussed were:

- School wrap around provision in particular breakfast club starting times and holiday clubs. In response to this, at family consultations this week we will be gathering your thoughts initially on an earlier start for breakfast club.
- Transition from Early years curriculum at the end of Reception to Year 1 and the national curriculum, that parents would welcome a transition meeting.
- We discussed attendance, parents commented on how the children are proud when they achieve ACE attendance for the class, it was suggested that this might be shared on Facebook.
- Feedback on Knowledge Organiser, parents who attended felt that they are good as they give you information on what the children are going to be learning.

Attendance at the Parent Forum was quite low and this might be due to the timing of the meeting during the school day. The next meeting has been postponed due to delays with the building expansion. A new date will be decided when the building works are completed.

We always welcome your feedback on school initiatives and we gather that feedback in a number of ways including questionnaires. At family consultations this week we would welcome your feedback on the new mid-term report and the introduction of parent pay to pay for school dinners and trips.

Thank you for your continued support in making Park Spring a place for amazing learning for our children.

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