





Swinnow Lane, Leeds LS13 4QT

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Friday 9th February 2024

Absence Reporting Please report your child's absence to the school office via telephone or via text message to 07891 274 260

SCHOOL DAY REMINDER

Please can we remind families and pupils that the normal school day begins at 8.55am and the gates will open automatically at 8.45am (no need to press the buzzer). If the gates do open for children in boosters, visitors or staff before this time please remain at the gates and do not enter the playground. Many thanks



SPRING 1 & 2 DIARY DATES

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

09.02.2024—February Half Term

10.02.2024—Y5 Bag Pack

19.02.2024—School Opens

20.02.2024 — Multiplication Table Check meeting

21.02.2024—Wacky Hair Day

07.03.2024—World Book Day

07.03.2024—World Book Day Lunch Menu

15.03.2024—Red Nose Day

29.03.2024—School Closed—Easter Break

29.03.2024—Good Friday

01.04.2024—Easter Monday

15.04.2024—Summer Term Begins

25.04.2024—Y5 Grinton Lodge

25.04.2024—Y6 Weight & Height

06.05.2024—May Bank Holiday—School Closed

24.05.2024 - May Half Term

ATTENDANCE

The link between attendance and attainment is clear:

In 2018/19 just 40% of persistently absent (PA) children in KS2 achieved expected KS2 standards, compared with 84% of pupils who were regular attenders





ST. ANDREWS CHURCH PANTOMIME

It has been a long standing tradition that our fantastic support staff volunteer to take 60 of our KS2 children to the annual Pantomime at St Andrews Church in Beeston. On Saturday 3 February 2024 we went to see Treasure Island at St Andrews Church, which was performed by the talented cast of the St Andrews Pantomime Group.

The children and staff had a wonderful time and particularly enjoyed the audience participation from Mrs Shaw. Oh No She Didn't - Oh Yes She Did!!!!

We will be back again next year for sure!











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RECEPTION

Reception had a fantastic time at Temple Newsam yesterday, learning about Kings and Queens and Nursery Rhymes by looking at the artefacts in Temple Newsam House. Did you know that the house was once owned by both Henry VIII and Queen Elizabeth I? We all made crowns to feel very royal in the stately home and sang nursery rhymes like Hickory Dickory Dock in front of the grandfather clock with little mice.









YEAR 2

What a great day Year 2 had at Armley Mills on Tuesday. They really enjoyed learning about what life would have been like for a child working in the mill and did some great weaving













LEAVERS HOODIES

The children officially had their Y6 Hoodies presented to them by our official sponsor Yas, the owner of LifeCycles Bike shop on Stanningley Road. The children have raised ALL of the funds for their hoodies again this year with the help of one of our Governors Barbara Glastonbury. She has led charity bag packs and bun sales along the way! She also worked with Yas to once again get a local business to sponsor our school. The LifeCycles Bike shop logo looks amazing. The children quite rightly are very proud of themselves. The children in the picture below received their hoodies 2 days ahead of their class mates as they were noted to have put a great effort into our fund rasing activities. Well done them. Thanks Ms. Glastonbury and a VERY BIG THANKYOU to YAS and all the team at LifeCycles Bike shop Bramley.













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WACKY

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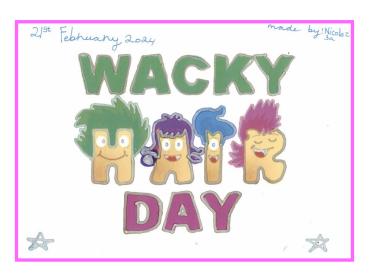
On Wednesday 21 February we are asking pupils to bring in £1 in support of our Wacky Hair Day.

Your child can make their hair look wacky, crazy and have fun styling their hair completely differently. They could wear as many bows, clips or ribbons as they want. They could even wear a wig. Hair sprays and glitter

are even allowed! Or you could just go for the messy, bed head style. We are excited to see how your children and our teachers style their hair on Wacky Hair Day.

The money raised from Wacky Hair day will go towards our fundraising for the Love The One charity which supports our 4 sponsored children through education in India.

Some of our children have been busy making some amazing posters to put up around school! Aren't they fantastic?!

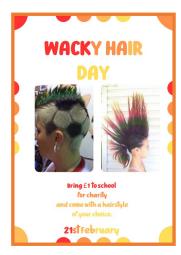












SCHOOL MEAL PRICES

From 19th February the school meal prices will be increased and will be the following:



HALF TERM

Next week is half term, we hope you have a lovely rest and come back to school on Monday 19th February ready for another fantastic term at Park Spring.



Nursery—£2.17 per meal

KS2-£2.55 per meal



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Numbots / Numberblocks week

Week Beginning Monday 19th February

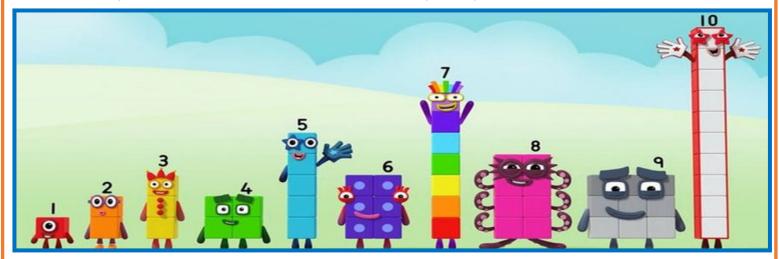
The first week back after half-term, beginning of Monday 19th February, is Numbots / Numberblocks week for children in Reception and Year 1!

During our **Numbots / Numberblocks week**, we will be spending time on Numbots in school – working hard through the levels to see how many coins we will earn! We will also be watching and discussing Numberblocks episodes in school to build up children's knowledge of number.

This special week will end with a dress down day on Friday 23rd February. Children from Reception and Year 1 can come into school dressed as a Numberblock or a Numbot robot! Each Numberblock has their own colour, so your child can come to school all in red as the Number One or maybe a multi-coloured Number Seven. They might also find another way to represent their number – with 4 hair clips to match the Number Four, or 6 stars for the Number Six. The children will then be able to guess which Numberblock their friends have come to school as!

Please encourage your child to access their Numbots account at home, as their Maths home learning. We will be giving out certificates and prizes for the child in each class with the highest number of coins each week. Your child will have fun on the game and get better at Maths in the process!

If you have any questions about Numbots/ Numberblocks week, please speak to your child's class teacher



WORLD BOOK DAY

To celebrate World Book Day on **Thursday 7th March,** all children are invited to come to school in their pyjamas, as our theme this year is 'Bedtime Stories'! On this day, children can also bring in a book to share with their friends this school. We will be stopping at regular intervals during the day for a 'bedtime story' and children will also have the opportunity to take part in some book-themed activities.

Celebrating World Book Day is part of our school drive to foster a love of reading in all of our children. We know that children who enjoy reading do more of it, and the more reading they do, the better they can access the whole curriculum. We can't wait to have celebrate this day in school with lots of books to enjoy and talk about, and in our cosiest clothes too!



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SCHOOL DINNER MENU

After half term our dinner menu is changing. For 4 out of the 5 days we will have an extra purple option! Making school dinners the obvious choice!

The new menu will be going on our website during half term ready for the children's return. School meals are free to all Reception, Year One and Year Two children.

Year Three, Year Four, Year Five and Year Six pupils the cost is £2.46. For Nursery the cost is £2.12. Here is a sneak peek at the new menu, before it goes live on 19th February 2024!







We're half way through the school year! Come for next sizes...

SCHOOL UNIFORM Pop-up Event Saturday 17th February 2-5pm at Pudsey Community Project

Free - Cash or Food Donations welcomed if you'd like to give a little to support the Pudsey Community Project

Working with Leeds School Uniform Exchange, Zero Waste Leeds



Open term-time: Mon to Sat 10am-12noon and Wed 6-8pm Find us: Pudsey Community Project, Fartown, LS28 8LP www.facebook.com/reducereusekidsclothes www.pudseycommunity.org.uk

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Did you know that our school gets money when a pupil claims their Free School Meal?



This money has provided us with extra teachers, more after school clubs and an end of year trip.

FREE



Our school receives
£1,320 per year for
each child claiming their
free school meal.



Help our school to invest in us - find out more about pupil premium and whether your child is eligible for a free school meal at the school office today.

Why should my child have a school meal?



A school meal provides a significant amount of a child's daily nutrient intake.





A nutritious meal can improve learning, concentration, behaviour and brain function.



All school meals provided meet the School Food Standards.



School lunches are tasty, healthy and nutritious.





If you are eligible for free school meals you could save up to £456 per child, per year!

TOOL 2



Free School Meals ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Your child could be entitled to Free School Meals if you're in receipt of **one** of the following benefits:

Universal credit

(provided you have an annual net household earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)



Income Support



Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance



Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999



Income-related Employment and Support Allowance



The guarantee element of Pension Credit



Child Tax Credit

(an annual gross income of no more than £16,190 and no working tax credit is being paid at the same time)







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