



January Newsletter 2023

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year and welcome back to the start of the Spring Term. I do hope that you managed to enjoy the festive period and avoid the numerous germs that seem to be around.

Welcome! I would particularly like to welcome our new children and their families who have started in our nursery class. Welcome back to Miss Swarbrick (our PE and Sports Coach) who returns from maternity leave.

Last term was an extremely busy one, thank you for all of your support in attending our productions and the Christmas Fayre.

Our Christmas Jumper Day raised £145 for Save the Children. The Christmas Fayre raised £1445 which was a wonderful amount and the Christmas Coffee Events raised £572. I would like to thank the PTA for their continued dedication and commitment which enables school to provide extra resources for our children. All funds raised will be spent directly on improving resources for our pupils.

Contact Details if you have changed mobile, email or home address please update the school office. This can be done in person or

Oxford Reading Tree Book Sale

We have a large number of quality reading books that we no longer use as part of our teaching of reading. However, these books would be really good to support reading at home and

via email at

admin@yarlsideacademy.co.uk

Attendance continues to be an important priority for our school. We are currently below the government expectation (96%), which is currently due to recent bugs and flu. However, we are also seeing a significant increase in holidays taken in term time, this alongside any illness is impacting on children's time in school. Please consider carefully the impact on your child's education when taking children out of school for holidays. I will be writing to parents of those children who are currently persistent absentees (-90%) within the next few weeks.

Breakfast and After School Clubs a reminder to book places via Parentpay, before 7pm for breakfast club and 10:30am for after school club. Numbers are continuing to increase and we do need to know in advance to plan for staffing ratios.

An Additional Bank Holiday a reminder that an additional Bank Holiday has been granted for May 8th 2023 to mark the coronation of King Charles. School will be closed on this day. Year 6 SATs tests have been adjusted to reflect this and will start on Tuesday 9th May until Friday 12th. It is essen-

reading for pleasure from Nursery to Y2. They are really expensive to purchase via Amazon etc. We will be selling our stock to parents next week for 20p per book! These will be on sale in

tial that Year 6 children are in school during this week.

Year 1/2 Parent Lunch we are inviting one parent or grandparent to join their child for a lunch to celebrate Chinese New Year. This is a lovely opportunity to see your child during the school day. Details for booking will soon be added to Parentpay.

Reception Class 2023 the window to apply for a Reception Place is still open. Nursery parents have until 15th January 2023 to do this. Late applications will not be guaranteed their first choices.

Extra Curricular Activities will resume again starting the week beginning Monday 23rd. We will send out further information via Parentpay nearer the time. Places continue to be on a first come first served basis. Please check dates carefully and discuss with your child if they are wanting to attend the club before booking them onto it. Places are booked via your Parentpay account.

I'll look forward to seeing you all over the next few weeks.

Mrs Pierce
Headteacher

the year 1 classroom after school next Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. Do come and take a look.



Wednesday 4th 2023

January Diary Dates

- ☺ Wed 4th Return to School
- ☺ Wed 4th Y2/3 Swimming Starts
- ☺ Thurs 5th Rec/Y6 NHS Height & Weight
- ☺ Wk Beg 9th Karate Starts
- ☺ Tues 17th Cross Country Finals, Kirkby Lonsdale
- ☺ Fri 20th Y1/2 Chinese New Year meal for parents
- ☺ Fri 27th Y6 Dock Museum Trip
- ☺ Mon 30th Young Voices, Manchester

February Diary Dates

- ☺ Fri 3rd Work of the Month Infant 9am, Junior 1:45pm
- ☺ Wed 15th Beauty & the Beast Ball
- ☺ Fri 17th Break for Half Term
- ☺ Mon 27th Return to School

March Diary Dates

- ☺ Thurs 2nd World Book Day
- ☺ Fri 3rd Work of the Month Infant 9am, Junior 2:45pm
- ☺ Wed 15th Last Swimming Y2/3
- ☺ Fri 17th Red Nose Day
- ☺ Wk beg Mon 20th Assessment Week
- ☺ Tues 21st & Thurs 23rd Parent's Evening
- ☺ Wed 29th-Fri 31st Y5 Residential to Waterpark
- ☺ Fri 31st Break for Easter Holidays

