



## February Newsletter 2023

Dear Parents,

A reminder that Work of the Month is this Friday, where we will be celebrating our children's achievements.

### Family Support Worker

Mrs Thompson our school Family Support Worker is available to support you with a range of issues that you may be experiencing at home with your child. Mrs Thompson is in school each Wednesday, you are welcome to drop in to have a chat with her or if you prefer to email this can be done directly at [rthompson@furnesseducationtrust.co.uk](mailto:rthompson@furnesseducationtrust.co.uk) or alternatively you can contact Mrs Mason who can be an initial point of discussion to provide the right support and advice.

**World Book Day** will take place on Thursday 2nd March. This is the first week after half-term. To make things simple we are asking the children to come to school in pyjamas and bring their favourite book to share with the class. The children will be involved in different activities throughout the day and will receive a £1 Book token which can be exchanged for a World Book day special or can be put towards the cost of a book. The vouchers are accepted at book stores and super-

### 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. These books would be really good to support

markets. A reminder that we are running a competition '**Design a World Book Day Token**' entries must be sent into school by Monday 27th March.

### Nursery Applications Sept 2023

The closing date for nursery applications for this September is Friday 24th March. Eligibility details for starting school nursery, including entitlement to 30hr provision are all available on our school website.

### UK Internet Safety Day

takes place next week on Tuesday 7th. We always remind our children that keeping safe on the internet is not about one day but everyday. In our weekly assemblies we have been learning about different ways to protect ourselves online. We encourage the children to tell parents or a trusted adult if they come across something that upsets or worries them. Please have regular chats with your children about their online use and check their phones/tablets regularly.

**Industrial Action** as you are aware the NEU members have voted to strike. This is impacting on our school today. We have managed to stay open but by reducing small group work and delivering an alternative timetable. The next proposed

reading at home and reading for pleasure from Nursery to Y2. They are really expensive to purchase via Amazon etc. We will be selling our stock to parents be-

fore and after Work of the Month assemblies for 20p per book or in small bundles! Please take a look.

strike day is Tuesday 28th February. I will continue to keep you informed of any impact of the strike action. **Attendance** has risen slightly since before Christmas, however we are still below the government target. Please consider any absence from school carefully. **School Trips and Residential** please keep up-to-date with payment instalments for residential trips. These can quickly add up if not paid regularly.

**Governor Vacancies** Trust we are always looking to recruit new governors across our Trust, who can support the Headteacher and school team in the school development and improvement process. Although this is a voluntary role a number of employees allow paid days to support time in school. If you are interested in becoming a school governor please do not hesitate to get in touch with me.

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

[admin@yarlsideacademy.co.uk](mailto:admin@yarlsideacademy.co.uk)

If you have any questions regarding the content of this newsletter please do not hesitate to get in touch.

**Mrs Pierce**

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Wednesday 1st 2023

### February Diary Dates

- ☺ Wed 1st Reception Hearing Screening
- ☺ Fri 3rd Work of the Month Infant 9am, Junior 1:45pm
- ☺ Mon 6th Panathlon Event, Furness College
- ☺ 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 Y3/4 Mother's Day Lunch 12:30pm
- ☺ Fri 17th Red Nose Day
- ☺ Wk beg Mon 20th Assessment Week
- ☺ Tues 21st Football, North Regional Finals
- ☺ Tues 21st & Thurs 23rd Parent's Evening
- ☺ Tues 21st/22nd Final Karate Sessions
- ☺ Fri 24th Closing Date for Nursery Application 2023
- ☺ Mon 27th World Book day Entries sent into school
- ☺ Wed 29th-Fri 31st Y5 Residential to Waterpark
- ☺ Thurs 30th Easter Coffee Afternoon 2:30pm
- ☺ Fri 31st Easter Coffee Morning 9am
- ☺ Fri 31st Break for Easter Holidays

