



September Newsletter 2023

Dear Parents,

Welcome Back! I hope you all had a lovely Summer, it has been wonderful to welcome the children back today, both smiling and looking so very smart.

Welcome I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all of our new children and families to Yarlside Academy. I am looking forward to getting to know you all. I would also like to welcome our Miss Cafolla who will be teaching our Year 3 Class. We also have a new Trust, **Family Support Worker**, Michelle Davies who is available to support you with any family matters. Please contact school if you feel you could benefit from this support.

Warm Weather due to the current heatwave children can return to school in their Summer Uniform for the short term. Please ensure that they also have both a water bottle and cap. Sunscreen should be applied before the children arrive at school. We will ensure that the children have plenty of rest breaks and opportunities to cool down.

Parental Involvement Education is a two-way process. Your involvement and support is essential in your child's progression. This year we will be providing more opportunities for you to be involved in your child's learning.

Parentpay is our cashless system for paying for trips, swimming, school meals etc. Communication from myself, teachers and school is only sent via Parentpay. Separated parents can both have access to Parentpay. Lunches need to be booked via this system even if your child is in the infants and receives Universal school meals (Rec-Y2).

Emergency Contacts We must have up-to-date mobile/work/emergency contact phone num-

Reminders

***PARKING** please be respectful of local residents and the safety of our children by avoiding blocking driveways, parking in the bus stop and parking on zig-zag lines. We frequently receive complaints from residents about parking issues. We rec-

ommend parking slightly away from school and walking the remainder. Thank you for your support with this.

Medical Details if your child's medication or medical details have changed inform the school office as soon as possible.

Inhalers if your child has an inhaler please make sure that it is in school and handed in to the class teacher.

Work of the Month Each month a number of children will be selected for their individual success, behaviour and progress. It is a lovely opportunity to come and support the children. All family members are welcome. See diary dates for timings.

School Uniform As always label every item of clothing; including shoes, PE kit and coats. The amount of lost property that we have been unable to return or hasn't been claimed is a real concern. If you would like to purchase ties, pinafores, skirts and water bottles booking forms are available on the school website or school office. Purchased items will be billed to your Paypal balance.

School Website/Social Media Follow our Twitter/Facebook/Instagram to keep up-to-date with what is happening in school, addresses below. Our website also includes lots of information, including detailed curriculum coverage and key knowledge that your child will be learning this year. Information is also available on how to support your child with their learning at home.

Breakfast/After School Club Provision bookings and payments are made in advance via Parentpay. If using Childcare vouchers to book, ensure that places are booked by 12pm the day before. When using Parentpay please book by 7pm the previous day. Children cannot be accepted into clubs without a completed booking, last year we

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*When Dropping Off for breakfast club please avoid using staff car park spaces as this is a very busy time of the school day.

did reach capacity and had to turn children away, which could have been avoided.

Attendance Since Covid attendance rates have dropped nationally. Attendance continues to be a priority for our school this year. If your child is poorly please ring school before 9am on the first day of absence. If children are not in school they cannot learn and make progress. If your child's attendance falls we will be in touch to arrange a meeting with the school attendance panel, where intervention and support will be arranged.

Scoutfit next Monday we will be receiving our prize for winning the Premier League Street Tag Competition. This will be a scooter day experience for the whole school. We are really looking forward to this.

Holidays in Term Time If you are planning to take your child out of school please collect a holiday request form from the school office. Holidays can only be granted for exceptional circumstances, however it is really appreciated if we know your child is to be absent for a period of time.

Extra Curricular Activities start the week beginning 25th Sept. Details will be sent out in the next few weeks.

Headteacher's Monthly Newsletter is my main form of communication which you will receive through email. Please look out for it at the beginning of each month, it includes important information and dates for the months ahead. It is also available on the school website and social media. Please record key dates.

Class Newsletters will be sent each half term and include specific information about your child's learning, homework and key dates relevant to their year group.

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

Mrs Pierce
Headteacher

Wednesday 6th 2023

September Diary Dates

- ☉ Wed 6th Start of Autumn Term
- ☉ Mon 11th Scootfit Street Tag Winners Prize Day
- ☉ Tues 12th Mr Laheney, Furness Academy to see Y5/6 Secondary School
- ☉ Wed 13th Swimming Starts Y4/5
- ☉ Thu 14th Y2 Parent Meeting 3:20pm
- ☉ Fri 15th Y1/2 Grandparent's Day
- ☉ Wk Beg 18th Karate Breakfast Club Starts
- ☉ Wed 20th Y1 Parent Meetings (times to follow)
- ☉ Wk Beg 25th Extra Curricular Activities Begin
- ☉ Tues 26th Y6 Furness Academy STEM Visit
- ☉ Thursday 28th Work of the Month Assembly - 9am Nur/Infant - 2:45pm Juniors
- ☉ Fri 29th Reception Class Dino Day

October Diary Dates

- ☉ Tues 3rd Tempest Photography Individual/Family
- ☉ Thurs 5th Nasal Flu Immunisation Rec-Y6
- ☉ Thurs 5th Harvest Tea 2:30pm
- ☉ Fri 6th Harvest Tea 9am
- ☉ Tues 10th & Thurs 12th Parent's Evening
- ☉ Tues 17th Reception RWI Morning
- ☉ Fri 20th Work of the Month *9am Nur/Infant *1:45pm Juniors
- ☉ Fri 20th Break for Half Term
- ☉ Mon 30th Return to School — Autumn Term 2
- ☉ Tues 31st Closing Date Secondary School Applications

November Diary Dates

- ☉ Thu 2nd Halloween Disco
- ☉ Tues 14th Nur Parent's Stay & Play
- ☉ Fri 17th Children in Need
- ☉ Wed 22nd Last Swimming Y4/5
- ☉ Wk Beg 27th Last Week of Extra Curricular Activities
- ☉ Tues 28th Work of the Month *9am Nur/Infant *2:45pm Juniors
- ☉ Thu 30th Christmas Fair

