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Newsletter Friday 8th December 2023

Christmas Productions

Nursery, Reception and Key Stage 1.

WOW! I have been totally blown away by the amazing productions that we have enjoyed this week. From Nursery to Year 2, the children never cease to amaze me with their talent, confidence and all-round brilliance. What a group of professionals. They all delivered their lines, sang and danced beautifully. We could not be prouder of them all and what a way to start Christmas! Thank you to all parents for your support including help with costumes and a massive thank you to the staff too for all they do at this busy time of year to support the children to put on such amazing shows for us all to enjoy!

PTA and Curtains

I would like to thank the PTA for sourcing and funding the fantastic curtains in the hall. I am sure everyone who has attended the shows so far will agree that they gave an added professionalism and sense of the theatrical to the shows. Going forwards, these will also enable us to divide the hall into two parts to allow for dual activities to take place at some parts of the day as required. Thank you for your continued support to the PTA to enable this and other school enhancement projects to take place.

Christmas Performance - Photography & Filming

In the interests of safeguarding all of our children, please can I ask while we welcome you to take photographs/film your child's Christmas performance, this must be for your own personal use. Please **DO NOT** share online or post on any social media sites/WhatsApp groups. Thank you.

Panto

The children (staff and helpers) had a wonderful time at the Panto this week. Thank you to all of our parents for supporting this trip, your lovely feedback and also to the members of our community who generously volunteered extra contributions to support this event. The warmth and support we have been offered is very humbling and greatly appreciated.

I only wish that you could all see the wonderful look on the children's faces at the event itself and feel the buzz of excitement that this trip brought. I overheard one child remark this was the 'Best Day Ever'! I think I smiled just as much at the reactions of the children as the jokes on stage. (I'm sure some have been relayed to you!)

I fully appreciate the cost of such a trip and, while we do not have the funds to pay for this out of the school budget, we will be discussing ways to further alleviate/spread the burden of such costs going forwards.

Snaith & Cowick Christmas Market

Thank you to everyone who sang. I am sorry that on this occasion I was not able to be there, but the feedback given to me has made me feel very proud. I have heard such positive comments about how well everyone did and the amazing atmosphere that you all created. Thank you for representing our school so well.

Key Stage 2

We are all looking forward to the Key Stage 2 performances next week.

A further ticket has been allocated to each family, this is on a 'first come first served basis'. If you do require another ticket please book via the school app, useful links, Christmas performances. *(to add a ticket you need to delete your current selection and add the new amount you require, up to 4 tickets per family)*

Currently, the Friday afternoon performance is FULL.

TIME CHANGE - Please note the change of time for the Key Stage 2 afternoon performance, **now starts at 2pm** gates open at 1.40pm.

You are in for a 'longer treat'!

Christmas Hamper Raffle

The PTA will be selling raffle tickets at all our Christmas Performances.

Road Safety Training by the East Riding Council

Scooter Training – Year 2

On Monday 11th December, Year 2 will be having scooter training. On the morning, please bring your child's scooter to their classroom door, where a member of staff will show you where to leave it. Please collect the scooter from the same place at 3:30pm. Children are **NOT** to ride on their scooter in the school grounds before or after school. If your child has a scooter please ensure it is in a good working condition and has their name clearly displayed on it. Children will be given a 15 minute classroom presentation after which instructors will take pupils out on to the playground for 30 minutes of scooter skills training. We recommend a warm, waterproof coat and suitable footwear (laces need to be tied and tucked away).

Pedestrian Training – Year 4

On Monday 11th December, Year 4 children will have their Pedestrian Skills Training given by East Riding Road Safety Officers. Children are given a classroom presentation and then will be taken outside for a valuable practical lesson. We recommend a warm, waterproof coat and suitable footwear (laces need to be tied and tucked away).

Parent Governor Nominations

Midnight today is the closing date for the nominations for the parent governor role, if you are wishing to apply for this role please ensure this is sent before midnight tonight. Snaith.primary@eastriding.gov.uk

Thank you

PTA

Christmas Hampers

Thank you to everyone who has donated to enable the PTA to create their wonderful hampers, if you still wish to donate an item, please can this be brought to school by Tuesday 12th December.

Raffle tickets will be on sale at the Christmas performances. All proceeds raised go directly back to school for resources for the children. The raffle will be drawn on Wednesday 20th December.

Christmas Disco

The PTA are organising a Christmas Disco on Wednesday 20th December

Reception and Key Stage 1 – 5pm-6pm

Key Stage 2 – 6.15pm-7.30pm

£3 entry (to be paid on the night) to include party games & prizes, crisps and a drink.

I am sorry due to capacity in the foyer, we are not able to let parents sit and wait. All PTA members are enhanced DBS checked and staff members will be present.



Diary Dates

Thursday 14th December – Reception & Y6 National Height and Weight Child Measurement Programme

Thursday 14th December – Key Stage 2 Afternoon performances. Tickets required.

Friday 15th December – Key Stage 2 Morning and Afternoon performances. Tickets required.

Wednesday 20th December – Christmas Dinner Day – **Non-uniform**, Christmas Jumpers/Sparkle

Wednesday 20th December – After School, Christmas Disco Reception & KS1 5pm-6pm//KS2 6.15pm-7.30pm

Friday 22nd December – Jonathan Newman Award Assembly – **Non-uniform (no charge)**

Monday 8th January – School re-opens to children.

Monday 12th February – Friday 16th February, half term holiday

Wednesday 13th March – individual school photos and Class Groups for Reception and Year 6

Monday 25th March – Friday 5th April, Easter holidays

Summer Term commencing Monday 15th April – Swimming lessons for Year 4 and some Year 5's weekly for 11 weeks.

May – Year 2 assessment month.

Monday 6th May – Bank Holiday

Monday 13th May – Thursday 16th May, Year 6 SATS Week

Friday 24th May – Non contact day. School closed to children

Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May – half term holiday

Wednesday 19th June – Friday 21st June, Year 6 Residential

Monday 22nd July – Summer Holidays

School Holiday

Please click on the link below to view the school holidays, these can also be found on the school app under Useful Links.

<https://www.snaithprimary.org.uk/page/?title=Term+Dates&pid=91>

Please can I remind parents school is not able to authorise any holidays during term time. Therefore, it is important to consult these dates before making any booking.

We are committed to improving achievement through attendance, and any pupil whose attendance falls below 96% becomes a cause for concern. Attendance below 90% is classed by the Government as persistent absence.

If a child's attendance falls below 90% we refer all cases to the Education Welfare Office at East Riding, who is likely to contact parents directly to discuss the matter.

Community Notices

YEAR 6 GIRLS!
JOIN THE HOWDEN HARRIERS!

Howden Harriers would like to invite any year 6 girls interested in football to join in our training sessions with a view of creating a U11 girls team.

Coaches also needed to take this on. Anyone interested is welcome to work alongside the Harriers team to be supported in their new role.

PLEASE CONTACT OUR PA ACCREDITED COACH:
John Bray 07840646010

TRAINING IS ON TUESDAYS 5-6PM AT READ SCHOOL, BRIX.