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## Newsletter Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024

This week's school attendance is 95.6%

I hope you all had a lovely half term. As this is such a short one again up to Easter it seems that we have an action packed time ahead.

### Exciting Assemblies

As part of RE and learning about other faiths, next week Imman Habeeb will be visiting school and undertaking Key Stage assemblies to share what his faith means to him. Imman Habeeb visited school last year and we are delighted to welcome him back.

**Influential People (British Values)**– Thank you to all the children who kindly took the time and sent in their 'Inspiration People' pages. I am now busy putting these together in a book for others to reference.

**World Book Week** – Is fast approaching and this year our theme is 'Step into a World of Your Imagination'.

Linking with our School Development Plan target which has a focus on developing writing, in school, children will be creating their own stories/books based on a mini film – 'Something Fishy'. A tale of stray socks, jeans, coins and a few other items coming to 'life' in the washing machine.

Along with this, children will be exploring stories where characters step into new and imaginative worlds, such as Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, Alice in Wonderland and so on.

**World Book Week Annual Competition.** This year, still thinking of those stray socks, we are inviting children to create a book character sock puppet, or alternatively glove finger puppet, wooden spoon puppet or painted stone character. Prizes will be given for the best puppets/character in each year group. Please ensure that your child's puppet/character is labelled with the title of the character, your child's name, class and year group and send into school by Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March.

If possible, we would love to keep some of the puppets to use in story sacks for the younger children, so please let us know if you would like the puppet returning – by adding 'return' to the label.

We know how creative all of our children are so can't wait to see what you will create from those stray socks, odd gloves, wooden spoons or pebbles. Here are a few little ideas to get you started.



**Come to school in your Pyjama's day.** This will be on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March. When our focus will be on cosying up with a good book.

**Book Fair alternative** – as you may remember from my letter, instead of hosting the annual Book Fair, we are inviting parents to purchase a book from their child's class 'recommended reading list' which can be found on the school website under the classes section, and then after enjoying the book at home, donate this to the class library. In this way we can collectively create a wealth of high-quality books for all the children in every class to share and enjoy, now and for the future.

Next week we will be adding the recommended reads to the school app enabling you to privately select a book to purchase from a retailer of your choice to send into school if you are able to do so. In this way we will be able to ensure we avoid repetition of the same book and swell our library with a varied selection.

Instead of or as well as we are asking for donations of cushions/beanbags (if you have one going spare) to enable us to create 'comfy' reading spaces, including developing the cabin into a relaxing reading den for us at playtimes.

Next week, we will be sending home the £1 book tokens, which you are able to spend at local Book Retailers.

During world book week the PTA will be on the playground at the end of each day selling chocolate bars – some with golden tickets inside for amazing prizes. Please see PTA poster below.

### **Parking**

Our Community Police Officer Sam Chandler has shared with me that a few complaints have been made regarding inconsiderate parking towards our neighbours, especially on Rowland Simpson Close. Please could I ask everyone, once again, to take care when parking. I fully appreciate that drop off and collection times can be busy but please ensure that you do not park in a way that blocks our neighbours from accessing their drives etc. We work hard to foster good relationships within our community and ask that you help and support us in this way.

### **School Uniform**

This week we have been notified M&S who are one of our school uniform providers will no longer be offering school uniform through the Your School Uniform initiative (uniform with our school logo).

**My Clothing Ltd.** who is a supplier partner of M&S will continue to supply school uniform with our logo

<https://myclothing.com/>

School uniform can still be purchased from Clothes for Little people in Goole who also have an online ordering platform.

<https://www.theschooluniformshop.co.uk/schools/primary-schools/snaith-primary-school>

For further information on our school uniform, please refer to the school uniform page on our website.

<https://www.snaithprimary.org.uk/page/?title=School+Uniform&pid=81>

### **School Photographs**

On Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March Tempest Photography will be in school taking individual pupil photographs and class group photographs of Reception and Year 6. On this day children are to come to school wearing the correct school uniform with school jumpers/cardigans and school shoes (NO TRAINERS). If your child has PE on this day they are NOT to come to school in their PE clothes, their lesson will be adjusted accordingly.

**Nursery Photographs** - if your child does not attend nursery on the morning of 13<sup>th</sup> March, you are welcome to bring them to school for their photograph taking at 8.45am, please go to the hall doors at the rear of the building.

### **Job Vacancy**

The Snaith School (High School) currently have vacancies for exam invigilators, working hours would be in term time and during the school day so might be perfect for someone who wants to work but has restricted childcare.

If anyone is interested they can find more information on our website, [Exam Invigilator Vacancy | The Education Alliance](#) or can call our Exams Officer, Gaynor Abbott on 01405 860327 for an informal chat.

### **Diary Dates**

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day (snuggle up with a book, PJ/Onesie day)

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March – School Photographs

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March – Parents evening on line (you will be notified when the booking system is open)

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March – Parents evening in person (you will be notified when the booking system is open)

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May – Year 6 Sats Week

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

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June – Year 6 Growing Up Talk

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June to Year 6 Residential

### **School Holidays**

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>

### **Term Dates 2023-2024**

<https://www.snaithprimary.org.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=2719&type=pdf>

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Please can I remind parents that 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.

## PTA



## Community Notices



Arts Academy of Dance proudly presents

Ballet  
Tap  
Modern  
Jazz  
Musical Theatre  
Contemporary

**SHOWCASE 2024**

Saturday 11 May 2024 | 2pm and 7pm

With music from Cinderella, Shogun Mus, Moulin Rouge, The Little Mermaid along with Music Classics and the best of Rock!

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