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Autumn Term Newsletter 1 - 7/9/2018

Welcome back! - We hope you had a happy holiday and are looking forward to the new school year ahead. School was a hive of activity during the summer holidays and you will see many changes. Our new YR6 classroom was handed over to us on Tuesday. It is a marvellous, light, modern learning space, and YR6 have already made themselves feel at home. There are just a few outstanding jobs currently being completed. The back gate will be out of action until it has been rebuilt and the Early Years area outside the new Reception classroom will be redesigned and rebuilt during October half term. The Reception classroom now contains little toilets and new storage. It is a spacious and exciting environment for our 25 new younger learners. We all look forward to welcoming them, especially their YR6 buddies.

In the main school the ceilings were dismantled, plaster removed and new ceilings and lighting reinstated. This was an extremely messy job!

A huge team of workers, staff and volunteers have enabled school to open on time. We are proud of the work and the children have been very excited and thankful about the changes. A huge thankyou to everyone who has helped to improve our school environment, we can now look forward to an exciting year of learning.

MEET THE TEACHERS/OPEN EVENING

On Wednesday 12th September Mrs Fenwick (our Chair of Governors) and Mr Milby (our Caretaker) will officially open our new classroom at 3.00pm. From 3.15pm -5.00pm, there will be the opportunity to meet your child's new teacher and look round the classroom. All are welcome to look round the rest of the school and appreciate the changes.

QUESTIONNAIRE REMINDER

We are in the process of updating our school development plan. The senior leadership team and Governors meet regularly to monitor the progress of all children in school to discuss school priorities. Your opinions and ongoing support have been very much appreciated. The parents' questionnaires that were sent out at the end of last term are now being analysed. We have more available in the office for those of you who did not complete one last term. Your views are very important- the response to

questionnaires was positive however we would like more returns. A copy of the analysis will then be available on the notice board inside the entrance hall.

Your suggestions will influence this year's school development plan.

Well done to the first group of children who have received a Special Mention Certificate in today's Special Mention Assembly.



UNIFORM

The children have all returned to school looking smart. Our uniform should now be displaying the new logo. The old logo is no longer acceptable. Please ensure your child has full PE kit. Please ensure all children have a waterproof coat with them as we move into Autumn.

Below is a list of uniform:

Uniform List:

Boys

Grey trousers or tailored shorts
White polo with or without school logo
Red sweatshirt with school logo
Black shoes (not trainers)
Black grey or white socks

Girls

Grey trousers tailored shorts or skirts
Grey pinafore/red & white checked summer dress
Red sweatshirt/cardigan with school logo
White polo with or without school logo
Black shoes (without heels)
Black grey or white socks or black grey or red tights

PE Kits

Black shorts without or without school logo
Red & black PE top with school logo
Trainers/Pumps for indoor use
Trainers for outdoor use
Black track suit bottoms (for outdoor use)
Pennington Red Hoody (for outdoor use)

Earrings

Earrings must be taken out or covered with tape for PE. This must be done at home or by the child themselves. Staff are unable to help due to safeguarding restrictions.

SAD NEWS

Unfortunately we have some very sad news to share. Stephanie Grindrod (Yeadon) Marissa and Olliver's mum passed away in tragic circumstances during the last week of the holidays. I am sure you will join with us in expressing our sincere condolences to the family. Stephe was once a Governor, an active part of the Friends Committee and a caring Pennington mum; this is how we shall remember her.

Her funeral is 17th September at St Johns Church Hopwood, Heywood, Lancs at 10.00am. Friends welcome.

DEFIBRILLATOR

Thank you to Harold Stretch, PC Helen Madden and Martin Parson for raising money and providing staff training so that school can have our own Defibrillator. It is kept in the school office. We hope we will never have to use it, but are reassured that if we do, we know how to.

WINNIE THE POOH

Thank you to Tommy Dawson, Harry McKenna and Harold Stretch for repairing and repainting Winnie the Pooh our weather vane. He looks very smart and happy as he surveys the beautiful countryside around.

HEALTHY LUNCHBOXES

Just a reminder, that we expect children to bring a healthy lunch to school. We encourage parents to support this by packing nutritious, well-balanced foods/snacks.

AFTERSCHOOL ACTIVITIES

We aim to offer a range of lunchtime and after school activities throughout the year. The timetable for this term is displayed below. There will be a charge of £10 per half term for any clubs marked in red as there is a cost to the school to run these clubs. We still consider this to be good value. Money should be paid into the office in an envelope with your child's name and the club they will be attending marked clearly.

All children attending after school activities will need a slip completing. More of these can be obtained from the entrance hall. Thank you to staff for giving their time freely to offer these opportunities.

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After School Club consent form

Child's name Class

I give permission for my child to attend club

held on a

Signed Parent/Carer

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Dinnertime/After-School activities Autumn 2017

Day	Activity	Leader	Where?	Time
Monday	Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 Chess Club	Miss Preston	Year 5 classroom	12.30pm-1.00pm
	Choir	Mrs Solloway & Miss Kenny	YR2 classroom	3.00-4.00pm
Tuesday	Year 3- 6 Football	Tom	Field/ Hall if wet	3.00-4.00pm
Wednesday	Book Clubs	Miss Barnes & Mrs Storey	Year 2 & Library	12.30-1.00pm
	Year 1 and 2 Multi-skills	Tom	Hall	3.00-4.00pm
Thursday	Year 5 and 6 Netball Club	Miss Barnes	Outside/ Hall if wet	3.00-4.00pm
Friday	YRS 3-6 Hockey	Mrs Deardon	Outside & Hall if wet	3.00-4.00pm