Message from Mrs Chapman and Mrs McGregor

In the blink of an eye we have reached the last day of the first half of the Autumn term! We hope that everyone manages to enjoy some family time and get some rest over the half-term holiday. Remember that school re-opens on Monday 6th November 2023.

Over half-term, many of our families will no doubt be celebrating Bonfire Night, this week PSO Craig Lyons accompanied by Fire Fighter Lisa Guy spoke to children in KS1 and KS2 about fire safety, why not ask children about what they have learnt? Thank you to Craig and Lisa for their time and continued support.

Thank you to everyone who supported the FOBS with their fundraising efforts today by either donating £1.00 towards non-uniform day, purchasing some goodies from the Tuck Shop or both! We have a wonderful group of parents/carers who endlessly raise all important funds for the school, funds that go on to help all children in all classes.

Following on from last week's Friday News, can parents/carers of children in Nursery please remember to apply for their Child's place in Reception for September 2024. We would like to remind parents/carers that if your child attends any Nursery, this does not mean they will automatically be allocated a full-time school place, all places have to be applied for through the Local Authority. More information is available from schooladmissions@northyorks.gov.uk.

Likewise, if your child is due to start secondary school next academic year, an application for the school of your choice should be made by no later than the 31st October. More information can be found at http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/admissions

Over the past week children in classrooms have been as busy as ever taking part in activities and engaging in learning.

Our youngest children in Ladybird Class have been looking at Black History Month and learning all about Dr Martin Luther King and Rosa Park and thinking

about how they wanted everyone to be treated kindly, just like children in Ladybird Class treat each other. Children also enjoyed looking at different foods from around the world and enjoyed making and tasting a Nigerian Dish called Jollof Rice.

In Butterfly Class, Mrs Fox said that even though everyone has been very tired this week, children have still enjoyed cooking with Pumpkin and learning all about staying safe on Bonfire Night.

Meanwhile in Hedgehog Class, RE lessons with Mrs Smith have focussed on the story 'Jonah and the Whale'. In Geography, Mrs Harrison has been looking at weather symbols with children and learning all about their meanings.

Next door in Rabbit Class, as part of Black History Month, children have been learning all about the first black Circus Owner, Pablo Fanque. In art children have been busy making sculptures and then interpreting the sculpture through drawing.

In Badger Class children have been writing poems about rivers and enjoying the Class Book, Charlotte's Web. Meanwhile in Maths children have been learning about column subtraction.

In Fox Class children have been looking at time zones in different places all around the world. Children have also painted rivers and been learning the Spanish alphabet.

Our oldest children in Owl Class have been busy doing long division and multiplication in Maths, they have also been learning the Spanish alphabet and spelling words in Spanish.

Those parents/carers who have recently visited the school may have noticed an absolutely beautiful railway safety collage that children have created in the reception area. We would very much like to put this wonderful collage on display to showcase children's talent and the importance of staying safe

around train tracks. Are there any parents/carers who would be able to help mount this artistic creation on one of our walls? Likewise, we are looking for volunteers to help construct a 'reading shed' for our outdoor area. If you are able to help, and have some spare time to come into school, can you please contact Sally in the School Office. Thank you.

Sadly, a number of school reading books have recently been damaged, or not returned to school. It costs a lot of money to replace books that are either lost or damaged. Moving forwards, we are asking that parents/carers consider making a voluntary contribution of £5.00 towards the cost of replacing each book that has been damaged or lost whilst in a child's care. We are asking that parents/carers please encourage their children to look after books that they borrow from school.

On Wednesday evening, Mrs Cryer led a Phonics and Reading Information evening for parents/carers. We hope that this session was informative and will help parents/carers with supporting children's learning at home. If you were unable to attend, please do not worry, information about the content of the evening is available from Mrs Cryer.

Finally, thank you to Mrs Chapman for all her hard work looking after the school alongside Mrs McGregor, as Co-Headteachers, over the past few weeks. After half-term, Mrs Pearson will be returning from maternity leave and leading the school as Co-Headteacher alongside Mrs McGregor. Welcome back Mrs Pearson. Mrs Chapman will return to class, and be teaching children in Owl Class on Thursdays and Fridays, with Mrs Shaw continuing to lead the class on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Have a lovely half-term, stay safe and see you all on Monday 6^{th} November.

Mrs Chapman and Mrs McGregor

Please remember to visit our school website and Facebook page to see what else our children have been or will be getting up to.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 6th November 2023 School re-opens

Creamy Mac 'n' Cheese Lightly spiced Bean and Veg Curry with Rice Jacket Potato

Tuesday 7th November 2023

Nacho Beef Bake Cheese and Bean Enchilada Jacket Potato

AM : PE with Kanga Sports : Badger/Fox/Owl PM : PE with Kanga Sports : Rabbit/Hedgehog

3.30pm KANGA Sports After School Club : Invited Children (7/7) – **KS2**

Wednesday 8th November 2023

Roast Chicken Home-made Veggie Cottage Pie Jacket Potato

Thursday 9th November 2023

All Day Breakfast All Day Veggie Breakfast Jacket Potato

Friday 10th November 2023 Fun Day Friday : all children invited to join in with a school lunch

Fish Fingers Vegetarian Lasagne Jacket Potato

- 9.10am Remembrance Service lead by Mrs Judith Johnson
- 1.00pm Owl Class Swimming Lessons
- 3.00pm Celebration Assembly (parents/carers of children in Amber/Sapphire)
- 9.30am to 11.00am : BABY AND TODDLER GROUP in the School Hall







PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) DURING THE OCTOBER HALF TERM 2023

moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free



MORRISONS

Spend £4.49 and get one free kids meal all day, every day.

MSS CAFES

Spend £5 & get one free kid's meal Mon - Fri during the Oct Half term (various dates)

SAINSBURYS CAFES

Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.

ASDA

Kids eat for £1 All Day. Every Day at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required.

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult

TRAVELODGE & PREMIER INN

Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

SIZZLING PUBS

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.

TGI FRIDAYS

Kids Eat Free When 'Stripes Rewards Members' purchase any adult meal (Via App)

PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms

YO! SUSH

From Monday 16th October - Friday 27th 2023 kids eat free with every £10 adult spend

GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants

RILLS

2 kids eat FREE Monday - Friday from Monday 23rd October - Friday 3rd November 2023

BELLA ITALIA

Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Mon to Thurs.

WHITRDEAD INNS

Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased

TABLE TABLE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat for £1 on Mondays

FUTURE INNS

Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal.

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Apply for free school meals online

If you would like to apply for free school meals for your child, simply login to your <u>Synergy.</u>

<u>Parent Portal account</u> and follow the process outlined below.

If you have previously applied for school admissions or funding for your two year old you will most likely already have an account. If not, you can easily <u>create an account here.</u>

STEP 1

Enter your National Insurance Number/National Asylum Support Service (NASS) number and date of

STEP 2

Select the child(ren) you wish to apply for. If you have previously applied for a school place for your child they will already appear on the dropdown list. If your child does not appear automatically, they can easily be added by entering their forename, surname, date of birth and gender.

STEP

Attach any supporting documentation, if necessary, this could include documents such as a copy of your

STEP 4

A message will then be displayed stating that we will be in touch with confirmation details. The school(s) at which your child(ren) attends will be notified as soon as the application has been fully processed by our team (6 working days). Your child(ren) can then begin enjoying free school meals once the school has received this notification.

If your application is unsuccessful you can then move to a further screen to find out why this may be the

If you need help or wish to discuss your application please contact us: Phone: 01609 533 405
Email: schoolwelfare@northyorks.gov.uk



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