

Collective Worship Theme this half term = **HONESTY**

Attendance this week **89.18 %** (below expected)

6 November
2020

School News

What a difference a week makes! Following the announcement from the government, we have been ensuring our hygiene practices are robust, planning in case of school closure and reorganising the curriculum (again!). Please bear with us.

Swimming & Forest School

You will have received an email regarding the cancellation of swimming due to the pool closure and our replacement Forest School sessions. Please respond as requested and ensure that your child has the correct clothing on Monday. All pupils should come to school in their usual school uniform and will get changed in the afternoon.

Children in Need

- The Church Council are arranging our Children in Need day which will be on Friday 13th November.
- The theme is to wear yellow or spots to raised lots in exchange for bringing £1.
- More details to follow.

School Photographs

These were sent home yesterday with details of how to order.

School lunches

Week beginning the 16 November, school lunches will be sandwiches, which can be ordered each morning in the usual way. Week beginning 23 November will be our usual week 2 menu.

Change in PE timetabling

Please note that PE will now be on a Friday for both classes. It will still be taken by Mr Mulholland. He will then remain at school to take the Sports Club.

School Events

Parent evenings and pupil reports

- Parents' Evenings are planned for December when we hope to be able to be face to face again, if socially distanced, or will find an alternative e.g. Zoom etc. or by phone.

Christmas

Recipe book; over lockdown we began collecting recipes for a school recipe book which we would like to print for you to purchase as Christmas presents. We do need some more recipes though so please have a think and please send a favourite one in to school with a photo too if you can.



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**Winning House
last week was
Ash**

**This week's
winning House
is Ash**

SPORT

Forest Schools starts
Monday 9 November

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

9 Nov PTA AGM agenda attached

13 Nov Children in Need

20 Nov Star Gazing

11 Dec Christmas Jumper Day

15 Dec Pantomime

16 Dec Carol Singing

17 Dec Christmas lunch

18 Dec Christmas Party

18 Dec Break up

Be present in all things and thankful for all things. Maya Angelou

Staff Training

DfE Wellbeing for Education

School Lunches

Week beginning 9 November is menu week 3

12 Nov change of menu to roast chicken

THUNK OF THE WEEK

Is a computer clever?

(A think is a question that makes you think; it may or may not have a correct answer but gets the brain cells working!)

Thunks are great for family debates and developing critical thinking skills.

Love in a Box

Thank you to the parents who contributed. We sent 23 shoeboxes to orphanages and hospitals.

COVID related items and updates

- Children do not need to stay off school if they are not showing one or more of the three symptoms.
- Should we go into local or national lockdown, remote learning plans are in place and will be shared with you. Keyworker children will still be able to attend school. Let's hope this will not be necessary.

Reception School Place

If your child is due to start in Reception, September 2021, you need to apply for a place. The information you need to apply for this place is available at www.northyorkshire.gov.uk/school-admissions

Applications are open now with the closing date of the 15th January 2021. Any applications received after this date will be considered late and will be dealt with after those received before the deadline. Please pass this on to friends and family too.

Clubs

Please ensure that you sign your child up for clubs by emailing and commit for a full half term so that we can ensure we have the right resources and ratios of staff. Please do not dip in and out of attending as this affects the progress and planning of the club's content.

Gilly's Breakfast Club 8.00-8.45 every day - £3.00 (to include cereal, toast etc)

Monday - Chill Zone (Mrs Hayes) - subsidised by school- activities will vary each week to include; art and craft, board games, gardening, nature activities, science experiments etc.

Tuesday - Animal Club (Mrs Teasdale) - subsidised by school

Wednesday - Christmas Crafts (Mrs Sheard) - subsidised by school

Thursday - Computing Club (Mrs James) - subsidised by school - improve your skills and try out new programmes and coding.

Friday - Sports Club (Mr Mulholland) - £2.00 - sports session with a range of sports to include; football, cricket etc.

All clubs run from 3.30 to 4.30pm

Gilly's Chill Club 4.30pm to 5.30pm Mon-Thurs and to 5pm on Fri—£3.00 - wrap around care; a snack and a drink will be included then a choice of activities to wind down at the end of the day.