



13th February 2020

Message from Mrs Gale

With Christmas a distant memory, half term is upon us.

The first part of the outside work is nearly complete, some small bits will be completed over the half term when the children are not in school. The new interactive board for Little Owls room and some new computers will be installed during the children's week away too. On the 24th February the Forest School site work will begin, we anticipate that this work should take 3 days' weather dependent. Following completion of the site we will hold a special after school session which will enable parents, family and friends to have a good look around at the new site and facilities provided, all very exciting.

Swimming begins on Wednesday 26th February at 3-1-5 for the whole school. Due to a number of swim school staff absences we have been allocated a session in the afternoon with the last group finishing their swim at 3pm. Although this isn't ideal the benefits of having 2 teachers available and the ability to run 4 swim groups is a great advantage. Letters have been sent to the children who this affects as we anticipate their return to school to be approximately 3:30. If this causes a problem please let the office know.

Thank you to everyone for your support this half term, the children have had a great half term. We sadly say goodbye to Mrs Saglena today, who unfortunately has had to leave us due to a change in her family situation. We wish her well and will see her and her son Max at the next Mini Church. The vacancy is advertised but if you know of anyone who would be interested in the post please ask them to contact the office admin@yealand.lancs.sch.uk or 781360. It is also the last day in Robins class for Miss Davey before she returns to university to continue her studies, we would like to wish her all the best for her future in teaching.

Dates for the diary

Friday 14th February – INSET

Wednesday 26th February – Ash Wednesday Service at St. John's, Year 5 & 6

Wednesday 26th February – Swimming, whole school at 3-1-5

Thursday 27th February – Girls Football Match @ Carnforth High School

Friday 28th February – Year 6 Team Building Day

Tuesday 3rd March – Reception Vision Screening

Wednesday 4th March – Year 3 & 4 Residential to Borwick

Thursday 12th March – Sci Fi Day

Friday 13th March – Life Space (formally Learning for Life Bus) in the Village Hall

"I have decided to stick with love, hate is too great a burden to bear."

— Martin Luther King Jr.

Have a lovely half term, those of you jetting away, enjoy the sun and for the rest of us, batten down the hatches and enjoy Storm Dennis

Mrs Katrina C Gale

Help Needed

There are a few events coming up in the next term that would be much easier to run with lots of additional helpers,

Thursday 26th March—**School Council Disco 5-6:30pm in the Village Hall**, a couple of helpers for setting up the hall, helping with refreshments and helping to tidy up afterwards.

Saturday 28th March—School will be holding a **Jumble Sale in the Village Hall 10am-12pm**, we need volunteers to help set up from 8am, help whilst the jumble is on and helpers to clear up and take items to charity shops/ the tip afterwards.

Saturday 25th April—**The Big School Clean**, we have some plans to hold an event in early May to promote the School and specifically the nursery but wish to do some “jobs” around school first to ensure we look our best. The jobs include painting, weeding, sweeping, planting and general maintenance.

If you are able to give up any time to help us achieve this we would really appreciate the support, half an hour to a few hours from lots of people would ensure we could complete our job list in one morning and hopefully attract some new families to join the Yealand Family.

Movie Night

Movie Night on Tuesday was a huge success and the children really enjoyed themselves. Thank you to those who gave up their time to help set up and clear away after the event, these events are difficult to run without the additional support and we really appreciate the help.

Payments

Invoices for Breakfast, afterschool club and outstanding trip payments have been sent today, please can payments be made as soon as possible when we come back to school after this half term thank you.

Message From School Council

At the moment, as a school, we are collecting clean crisp packets for the teracycle at Animal Care. Crisp packets can't be usually recycled but with every kilo collected Animal Care get £2.50. Please don't throw them away, bring your clean packets in to school and put them in the collection box at the bottom of the stairs.

Tuck Shop Friday's—Please remember your 20p

Thank you for your support.