



28th February 2020

### Message from Mrs Gale

Welcome back after what proved to be a very wet and windy half term. As you can see the school unfortunately has bared the brunt of the weather and as well as the flooding the grounds, there has been some water damage in school. Hopefully you have all come away from the week with little impact on your own lives and homes. As we now know the flooding does hold the cold and therefore as the weather again changes and becomes colder please ensure children have coats, hats etc. for outside play. During this time, we will use all available space in the school grounds.

A warm welcome to Miss Sowerby who has come to Yealand from Edge Hill for 2 weeks' observation.

Following a short time back at University, Miss Sowerby will return to Yealand to work with Swallow Class. Also, a very special welcome to Chloe and Josh who have joined Swallow class this week.

The Forest School site is under construction and just has a few small items to complete. With the canopy in place the site looks very impressive, a very BIG thank you to Mark (Luke's dad) who has worked with Mrs Beswetherick to ensure that the site complies with ANOB. The school is hoping to hold a family, friends and community event on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 4-5pm, were you will be able to see the site in person.



Swimming went well this week, thank you for your patience during this first visit, some teething issues have been picked up and we are hoping that the return to school by the second group will be prompter. Next week however Year 3 & 4 will not be swimming due to the residential trip, all other children will swim as normal.

I have tried to include all of the significant dates for your diary overleaf for this half term.

Please note Parents Evening is **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March**.

This term's Christian Value is **FORGIVENESS**.

*"The weak can never forgive. Forgiveness is the attribute of the strong."*

— Mahatma Gandhi

Have a dry and relaxing weekend, Mrs Katrina C Gale

## Dates for the diary

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March** – Vision Screening for Reception

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March** – Year 3 & 4 Residential

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March** – Sci Fi Day – Dress to impress

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March** – Life Space, Learning for Life

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March** – Non- Uniform Day, chocolate donations

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March** – Mini Church 10am Village Hall

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March** – Lancaster & District Singing Festival @1pm

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March** – Mothering Sunday Service in St. John's @ 9:15

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March** – Year 6 Team Day (weather permitting)

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March** – PARENTS EVENING

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March** – School Disco; 5-6:30 in Village Hall, all welcome

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March** – Jumble Sale 10-12 in the Village Hall

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April** – Easter Reflection @ 2:30 in St. John's

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April** – Closure for end of term

## March Events

**Thursday 5th March**—Change to the school lunch menu, Harry Potter Feast—Hufflepuff Poppin Chicken or Potters Pizza. If your child does not normally have a school dinner but would like one they can order on the day at a cost of £2.40. Any child having a school lunch can take part in a Harry Potter Competition to win a trip to Harry Potter World Watford (See poster for more information)

**Book Month**—During March children will be completing book related activities in school and visiting Carnforth library

**School Disco**—Tickets for the school disco will be available to purchase from the office from Wednesday 4th March. Tickets cost £3.50 and include a hot dog and drink. Other stalls selling sweets and glow sticks will be available on the evening.

**Jumble Sale**— It's time to have that clear out !!! Items for the jumble sale can be brought to school from Monday 23rd, larger bulky items to be taken to the village hall Friday 27th March and stored in the committee room please —key available from the office. Please spread the word and encourage friends and family to donate items

## Lancaster Singing Festival—Swallows Class

We will be taking part in the Lancaster & District School's Singing Festival at The Ashton Hall Lancaster on Friday 20th March from 1pm.

We have been allocated 30 tickets as a school and these are available to purchase from the office at £4 each. Tickets are available from Friday 28th February to Friday 6th March an initially you will be able to purchase 1 per child, any tickets left over will be sold on Friday 6th March on a first come first served basis.

## Medical Information

Please can you ensure that if your child requires medication such as inhalers for asthma that we are aware and have an inhaler in school at all times. If there are any changes in your child's health or medication please notify us so we can keep records updated this includes any eye and hearing checks 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.