Weetwood School News

Dear Parent/Carers,

Welcome back! It has been wonderful to see everyone back at school, keen and ready to learn! I would like to extend a warm welcome to our new Reception and Pre-school parents as well as the new families and pupils that have joined us across school. Reception have settled in really well to school life and have already been to

their first full assembly. On Friday 20th September we will be presenting all of Reception with their book bags during Wizards and Superstars assembly. All parents are welcome to stay. The WOOSC doors will be open at 8.55am and the assembly starts at 9.05am.

ATTENDANCE

We have had great attendance over the last two weeks in school. Thank you to all the families and children who have been bringing their children to school on time. It really makes a difference to the start of the day if the children are here on time and ready to learn.

Working Together to Improve School Attendance is now

a statutory document for all schools to follow. The changes mainly impact how we code and record absence in school, however, there are changes in the fining system. Please see the penalty notice framework attached to this email. We are in the process of updating our own Attendance Policy and will share this with you once it has been ratified by Governors.

As we enter the season for coughs and sniffles, it is important that your child still attends school even if they have a cold. If we think they are too unwell to be at school, we will send them home. Attached to the email are two posters, the first one with information about ill children and the second with a series of QR codes about different childhood illnesses and advice for you to follow. Hopefully this information is useful.

CLUBS

We want to be able to offer a range of enrichment to all year groups across school.

The lunchtime clubs will start from next week and will offer choir, TTRS club, Chromebook club and drawing club. The class teachers have signed the children who wanted to attend up and there are waiting lists for those that are full. Miss Clift posted the after-school clubs that we have available which include, Multi-skills (Year 1 and 2), football (years 2 and 3) and running club (KS2). The specific details for these clubs are on Arbor. We hope to change these each half term so we can offer different clubs to different year groups.





Friday 12th September 2024



Uniform:

Thank you to those parents who have followed the uniform policy, please can I remind you school shoes should be black shoes or black trainers. Bracelets and jewellery are not permitted and earrings should be studs only. For further information please see the uniform requirements on the website: https://www.weetwoodschool.co.uk/uniform

Coats:

The 'summer' weather seems to be on the turn already. Please make sure that your child has a coat with them every day. This might be a raincoat that lives in their bag during the warmer months and then a warmer coat for the cooler days.

Packed Lunches:

Attached to the email is the packed lunch policy we introduced last year. Please ensure that your child doesn't bring more than **one** sweet treat.

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT

We are celebrating Fairtrade Fortnight from next week. It is a big birthday year for them, 30 years since Fairtrade products have



hit our shelves! What better way to share awareness for this important event than to buy and eat chocolate! Mrs Haworth, with help from the Eco Team, will be selling Fairtrade chocolate on Monday to Thursday, after school, starting next week for 2 weeks in the outside classroom. Chocolate is still \pounds 1 per bar, all your favourite flavours are available, including dairy free dark chocolate. Payment by card only please! There will also be a colouring and quiz competition: the Eco Team will be telling their classes about it next week. Thank you for all your support.



We have a very active PTA at school and they are busy planning our first event which is a Neon Disco on **Friday 11th October at 6pm** in the School Hall. All money raised goes back to benefit the children. The PTA communicate across the year WhatsApp groups so please look out for messages about this as tickets will go on sale soon.

We need some new year group PTA reps, in particular in Pre-school, Reception and Year 2 so if you are interested in becoming more involved please come along to our next meeting. This will take place on **Monday 16th September at 8pm at LOAF** on Otley Road. We will be planning the Neon Disco and also discussing future events for the year and our fundraising goals. We always welcome new members so please come along if you can – drinks and nibbles are supplied! I hope you all have a wonderful weekend,

Kind regards

Mrs Ellison

Dairy Dates

New Dates in Red

| | Diary Dat | es 2024.25 | |
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| September | October | November | December |
| Tuesday 3 rd September: School opens to pupils. Wednesday 18 th September: Curriculum Open Evening (4 - 5.30pm) Wednesday 25th September: European languages day. Friday 27 th September: Selected Year 6 Pupils to Leeds Youth Summit Change of date. | Wednesday 2nd October: Nursery, Reception, Year 1- Phonics Information evening. (5pm-6pm) Monday 7th October: Year 5 Trip to Lotherton Hall Wednesday 9th October: Individual Photographs Friday 11th October: PTA School Disco W.C. 14th October: Book fair in school. W.C 14th October: SEND Parents meetings Friday 18th October: Non-Uniform Day to raise money for Leeds Children's Charity Wednesday 23rd and Thursday 24th October: Parents evening Thursday 24th October: Harvest Assembly Friday 25th October: Training Day. School Closed to pupils. W.C 28th October: Half term holidays | Monday 4 th November: All pupils return to school. W.C 11 th November: Anti-Bullying Week Wednesday 13 th November: Share our Learning. Friday 15 th November: Children in Need. Thursday 21 st November: SEND Bowling Event Thursday 28 th November: Pantomime | Monday 9 th December: Flu spray vaccinations in school. Tuesday 17 th December: 9.15am – EYFS Christmas Show. 2.15pm – KS1 Christmas Show. 2.15pm – KS1 Christmas Show. 2.15pm – EYFS Christmas Show. Thursday 19th December: -KS2 Christmas Music Show. Friday 20th December: School closes for the Christmas holidays. |
| January | February | March | |
| Monday 6 th January All pupils return to school. Tuesday 21st January Year 4 Lineham Farm parents meeting 5pm | Wednesday 5 th February: Share Our Learning Monday 10 th – 12 th February: Lineham Farm for Year 4. Friday 14 th February: School Closes for half term. Monday 24th February: All pupils return to school | Thursday 6 th March: World Book Day Friday 14 th March: Progress reports to parents. Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20 th March: Parents evening. | |
| April | May | June | July |
| Friday 4 th March: School closes for all pupils. Tuesday 22 nd April: All pupils return to school. | Monday 5th May: May Day Bank Holiday. W/C Monday 12 th - Year 6 SATs Week Tuesday 20 th May: School nurses -Year 6 and Reception height and weight check. Wednesday 21 st May: Class Photos. Thursday 22 nd May: Share Our Learning Thursday 22 nd May: School closes to all pupils. Friday 23rd May: Teacher training day. | Monday 2nd June: All pupils return to school W.C. Monday 2nd June: Multiplication Check Year 4 W.C. Monday 9th June: Phonics screening Year 1 Friday 20th June: Poetry Slam Assembly (2pm) Wednesday 25 th June – Friday 27 th June: Edale Residential (Y6) | Friday 4 th July: Sports Day and PTA Picnic. Thursday 10 th July: Music Show. Friday 11 th July: Reports for all pupils to go home Saturday 12 th July: Year 6 Party Sunday 13 th July: School Summer Fair Tuesday or Wednesday 15/16 th July: Year 6 show Friday 18 th July: Y6 Leavers Assembly Friday 18 th July: School closes to all pupils |