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NEWSLETTER 3 - 26th September 2018

HARVEST COLLECTION AND CELEBRATION

From Monday 8th October we are accepting donations for our Harvest collection for Safe Haven, a registered charity based in Yeadon which helps local families in desperate need with free furniture and food parcels. They give a one-off substantial food parcel for every family referred to them. Suggested foods items are listed below.



Tea, Coffee, Hot Chocolate, Cordials, Tinned meat/fish, Cereals, Crisps, Biscuits, Chocolate bars, Tinned meals, Cooking sauces, Carton milk, Sugar, Tinned vegetables, Chunky soups, Rice, Pasta, Noodles, Tinned rice, Puddings, Fruit, Custard, Dried goods-meals

Parents of Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children are invited to join us for our Harvest Assembly on Friday 12th October. There will be two performances, one at **9.15am** and one at **2.15pm**. As space in the hall is limited, please remember we can only accommodate **one representative per child at one performance only please**. **No ticket is necessary. Thank you**

DOGS IN THE PLAYGROUND

As a school we have made a decision not to exclude dogs from the playground. Please can we remind you that if you do have a dog with you that it is on a short lead, under control at all times and any dog poo is cleaned up Thank you for your co-operation.



LEEDS JOINT AGENCY PROTOCOL FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND ABUSE

School and Higher Education Notifications (DVA Notifications Process) has been established to support children who are resident in households where there are incidents of domestic violence and abuse. We know that children can be significantly physically or emotionally hurt by being either present in the house or directly witnessing an incident of domestic violence. The DVA Notification Process has been designed to provide confidential notification to schools and higher education establishments on any incidents of domestic violence and abuse which occur within a child's household that might have an impact on a child whilst they are in school / higher education. The process will ensure that a member of staff is trained to allow them to use the information that has been shared, in confidence, and ensure that the school / higher education establishment is able to make provision for possible difficulties experienced by children, or their families, who have been involved in or witnessed a domestic violence or abuse incident. We are keen to offer the best support possible to our pupils and we believe this is going to be extremely beneficial for all those involved. If you would like further support or information about domestic violence and abuse please go to www.leedsdomesticviolenceandabuse.co.uk

PICKING YOUR CHILD UP FROM SCHOOL

Before the member of staff on the door can let your child leave at 3pm they must ensure there is an adult there to collect them. This is to safeguard your child. Please help staff by standing somewhere you can be seen and being patient - they have a lot of parents and carers to spot. Thank you.

REVIEW OF SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2017/2018

Outcomes

- number of children achieving a Good Level of Development at the end of Reception has increased
- number of children achieving age related expectations in reading, writing and maths at the end of Y2 has decreased
- phonics results are similar to 2017

Teaching, Learning and Assessment

- staff are developing their expertise with regard to teaching greater depth writing skills
- Big Maths online is being used across the school
- all staff are using O Track for assessment
- staff awareness of gender issues in maths has increased

Personal Development and Welfare

- staff training in EYFS to develop the use of high quality interactions implemented
- focus on increasing daily physical activity
- successful Peeps course in Nursery

Leadership and Management

- audit of systems to comply with GDPR completed
- subject leaders developing their middle leader role

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Attendance Stars week commencing 17/09/2018 were Year 2 Red with 99.3%
Our school's attendance target is 97% and last week we got 97.6%.

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| Reception Blue | Reception Red | Year 1 Blue | Year 1 Red | Year 2 Blue | Year 2 Red |
| 98.6% | 96.9% | 96.2% | 95.9% | 98.6% | 99.3% |

The Punctuality Stars were Reception Blue, Year 2 Blue and Year 2 Red with no late arrivals.

GOVERNING BODY NEWS

REPORT FROM TEACHING AND LEARNING COMMITTEE MEETING 18/09/2018

A sub-committee of the governing body met to discuss a number of issues last week. This was part of the cycle of meetings throughout the year. The committee discussed whole school attainment from last year. We also looked at our key priorities for this coming year which are to-

- Develop the role of pupil progress meetings to impact on standards
- Look at how children develop their language skills to help with reading and writing
- Improve attendance and punctuality across the whole school
- Run daily

I hope this quick summary helps shed some light on the role of the governors as in the recent questionnaire, a number of parents stated they were unaware of the role of the governors.

REMINDERS

PARENT VOICE - FRIDAY 5TH OCTOBER



Our first **PARENT VOICE** takes place on **Friday 5th October at 9.15am** in the staff room with Ms Lowry, Mrs Fryer and Mrs Middleton. Parent Voice is your opportunity to mention any concerns and make any suggestions you may have regarding our school. All parents/carers are welcome, so come along for a coffee or tea and biscuits, and let us know your views, ask questions and help us work together.

LUNCHTIME INVITE FOR PARENTS/ CARERS OF RECEPTION, YR 1 AND YR 2 CHILDREN

Please remember if you would like to sample our lunchtime experience, contact the school office by 3pm on the Wednesday of the week before you would like to come. Places are limited to 10 per day and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. If you have any special dietary requirements or food allergies please let the school office know at the time of booking.

SCHOOL CLOSED FOR TRAINING DAYS

Nursery and School is closed to pupils for a Training Day on Monday 5th November 2018. Early Years Foundation Stage have an additional Training Day on Tuesday 6th November 2018, therefore school will be closed to Nursery and Reception children. **Year 1 and Year 2 children should attend as normal.** For information about the further Training Days and School Holidays please visit our [website](#).

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

| DAY | DATE | TIME | EVENT |
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| Wednesday | 26/09/2018 | All day | Individual School Photographs |
| Friday | 05/10/2018 | 9.05am | Parent Voice in the staffroom – all welcome |
| Friday | 12/10/2018 | 9.15am & 2.15pm | Harvest Festival |
| Wednesday | 17/10/2018 | 9.00am-10.00am 2.00pm-3.00pm | Nursery Open Day – come and share your child's learning. |

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| Thursday | 18/10/2018 | 9.00am – 9.30am | Reception Open Morning – come and share your child's learning |
| Thursday | 18/10/2018 | 2.30pm – 3.00pm | Keystage 1 (Yr1 and Yr2) Open Afternoon – come and share your child's learning |
| Friday | 19/10/2018 | All day | Wear it Pink for Breast Cancer Now. Children may come to school in pink - suggested donation £1 |
| Friday | 26/10/2018 | 3.00pm | School finishes for the half term holiday |
| Monday | 05/11/2018 | All day | Nursery and school closed to pupils for training day |
| Tuesday | 06/11/2018 | All day | Nursery and Reception closed to pupils for an Early Years training day |
| Tuesday | 06/11/2018 | 8.55am | School reopens for pupils in Year 1 and Year 2 |
| Wednesday | 07/11/2018 | 8.55am | Nursery and School open for all pupils |

COMMUNICATIONS SINCE LAST NEWSLETTER

Copies of the letters can be found in the [Letters and Forms](#) section of our school website.

- LETTERS:** Updated Photo Consent Form (Coming home tonight -Nursery only)
Pedestrian Awareness Training (Coming home tonight – Year 1 and 2)
- EMAILS:** Vacancies ant Yeadon Westfield Junior School
Vacancies at SS Peter and Paul's School
Author visit (Nursery, Reception, Year 1)
Annual Governance Statement (attached with this newsletter)
Nursery photo request
- WEBSITE UPDATES:** Achievements, [Pupil Premium Information](#), [PE and Sports Premium Information](#), [Review of School Development Plan 2017/2018](#)
[Reception Parent Information Handouts](#)
- LEAFLETS:** LSA (coming home tonight)
Universally Speaking (coming home tonight – Nursery and Reception)



Our FUNtastic Out of School Club runs from the Infant School Annex building on the school site and offers before and afterschool care during term time. For more information or to have a look round, please call Nicola on 07947 600494 or pick up a brochure from the School reception.

KANGAROO KIDS – NOW OPEN

Yeadon Westfield Infant School, Westfield Grove, Yeadon, Leeds, LS19 7NQ
Telephone: 07799 472578

Kangaroo kids pre-school already provides experienced quality day care for children at Queensway Primary School. This is now being extended to Yeadon Westfield Infant School in the annexe building with provision for 2 year olds.



Open: Monday-9am -3pm, Tuesday-9am-3pm, Wednesday 12pm-3pm, Thursday 9am-3pm, Friday 9am-3pm
Funding available for 2 year olds. Each 3 hour session will be £12 and the full days will be £25 including snacks and a healthy lunch. Please contact us on 0779947257 to secure a place for September.