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NEWSLETTER 5 - 10TH OCTOBER 2018

HARVEST CELEBRATION – FRIDAY 12TH OCTOBER 2018

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**



Please remember we are still collecting for Safe Haven:-

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

FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT AT QUEENSWAY SCHOOL

Well done to the children who took part in the football tournament at Queensway School last week.



REQUEST FROM SNAG AND ECO GROUP

The SNAG and Eco group are asking for donations of jam jars for their stall at the Christmas Fair on 21st November. More details about the fair will follow soon.

FEEDBACK FROM PARENT VOICE - 05TH OCTOBER 2018

Thank you to the parents who came to our first parent voice for this academic school year.

Firstly parents commented on how lovely it was that their children are going home in a very positive mood and have had a good day at school. Even though some might say they don't want to go to school in the morning. Parents were very happy that their children are happy at school.

One parent who came to lunch said she thought it was a really good idea and had enjoyed coming in.

A parent brought up the issue of black pen on jumpers and they feel they are ruined once pen is on. Ms Lowry said we do understand your frustration but we look at school uniform as workwear and do not have an issue with pen on jumpers. We will ask class teachers to give reminders about careful use of pens and monitor things.

Parking on the dropped kerb areas was mentioned as it makes it hard to cross the road safely. It was suggested that parents take photographs of the illegally parked cars and send them to be published in the newsletter. The newsletter has information about reporting such incidents to the police. Keeping children safe is paramount.

Parents who couldn't attend this morning had asked for the reception waving window and not coming in to the classroom to be mentioned. Ms Lowry said as a school we should have communicated better with parents and will take this on board for next year. Parents who were present said initially it was a change but they have got used to it. The benefits school are seeing are great and all the children are happy and learning.

Ms Lowry showed parents a new Attendance Agreement form and asked for their opinion. The parents said they thought it was good and one said she can remember as a child being taken on holiday in term time and how difficult it was when she went back to school. A parent said it was quite hard to always prove that you are taking children out to medical appointments.

Ms Lowry said that the daily running is going well and some children are running 10 laps at a time. They are building up to 21 laps which is a mile; the children are really enjoying it.

A reception parent asked how long do they keep their library books? It is a weekly return on the books. A year 1 parent said they have not had library books in year 1 and Ms Lowry said that is because year 1 do not have a volunteer for library so if anyone would like to volunteer for library that would be very nice.

Thank you again for a good start to parent voice.

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Attendance Stars week commencing 01/10/2018 were Reception Blue with 100%
Our school's attendance target is 97% and last week we got 97.3%.

Reception Blue	Reception Red	Year 1 Blue	Year 1 Red	Year 2 Blue	Year 2 Red
100%	89.6%	98.3%	97.2%	99.3%	98.6%

The Punctuality Stars were Reception Blue and Year 1 Red with no late arrivals.

GOVERNING BODY NEWS

GOVERNOR PROFILE – MARIE GILLIGAN



As well as fulfilling my role as TA and HLTA, I am also a co-opted Support Staff Governor – this is a position I have held since May 2014. I enjoy the role immensely and I'm still learning lots about how the school operates behind the scenes. I also sit on the Teaching and Learning Committee. There are a number of duties associated with being a governor with the main focus being on 'setting strategic direction', 'asking the right questions' and 'understanding data'. These are all discussed in our regular meetings.

Being a governor is an interesting and varied role which helps me to understand fully my responsibilities in school and what is expected.

REMINDERS

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.

OPEN DAYS – COME AND SHARE YOUR CHILD'S LEARNING

We would like to invite parents and carers into school to share their child's learning. Children will have the opportunity to show their books and the learning they have done this term. We look forward to seeing you.



NURSERY:	Wednesday 17 th October, 9.00am–10.00am, 2.00pm–3.00pm
RECEPTION:	Thursday 18 th October, 9.00am – 9.30pm
YEARS 1 & 2:	Thursday 18 th October, 2.30pm – 3.00pm

Please go to your child's classroom door. Thank you.

WEAR IT PINK DAY

On Friday 19th October we would like the children to join staff in supporting the Breast Cancer Now charity 'Wear it Pink' day. Children and staff may come to school dressed in anything pink in return for a £1 donation towards this charity which raises money for life saving research into breast cancer.



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
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.
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:** -
EMAILS: -
WEBSITE UPDATES: Achievements
LEAFLETS: Leeds Activity Camps – coming home tonight



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.

COMMUNITY NEWS



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20 OCTOBER – 4 NOVEMBER
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MONDAY 22 OCTOBER
For one day only, *The Engineers* presenter Lauren Layfield will be here to share her expert Engineering knowledge and skills. Times vary throughout the day. This event is free but advance booking is recommended. Book online at scienceandmediamuseum.org.uk

FREE ACTIVITIES
20 OCTOBER – 4 NOVEMBER

OPENING TIMES
Daily 10.00 – 18.00
Activities 10.00 – 16.00

IMAX THEATRE
The IMAX 3D film *Dream Big: Engineering Our World* will be screening throughout October. For film times visit picturehouses.com/IMAX. Usual cinema charges apply.

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