



Newsletter

12th September 2022



Message from Mrs Bradbury...

On Friday, the whole school came together with great sadness following the news that Queen Elizabeth II had died. Staff wore black as a sign of respect and classes discussed the life of the Queen and the tremendous role model she was to each of us. Classes discussed their emotions and thoughts. Some classes shared video clips and contributed to the PSHE class floor books.



In our special assemblies, we sang 'Sing' – a favourite song of the Queen which was written for the Silver Jubilee -with such vigour and enthusiasm that it brought goosebumps to all those in the hall. We also held a 70 second silence (for each year of her reign). This term, one of our champions in each year group will be selected for children making a 'positive contribution' which is something that our Queen exemplified.

As you will have seen in the media, Monday 19th September has been confirmed as a bank holiday and all schools will be closed for the Queen's funeral.

Back to School

What a fantastic start the children have had. Your children have settled really well and have launched straight into learning. I'm really impressed with our Year 6 pupils who have already shown considerable maturity and a clear desire to be role models.

Yorkshire Houses

This week, we had our first 'sorting hat' assembly where our Year One pupils and new to school staff and pupils were allocated houses.



All pupils from Year 1-6 are part of 8 houses which are based on places in Yorkshire. They are Barnsley, Bradford, Harrogate, Hull, Leeds, Sheffield, Wakefield and York. We believe that the children should have an awareness of places within this fantastic county and be proud to be

part of Yorkshire. Each child should have a badge to represent their house and we would encourage the children to wear this every day with pride.

Points are collected electronically and individual rewards are earned by your child.

100 points – Bronze level certificate and badge

300 points – Silver level certificate and badge

600 points – Gold level certificate and badge

As well as getting points for their learning, home learning, positive behaviours and attitudes e.g. resilience, kindness, teamwork etc they also achieve points for reading and attendance.

3 points per week for full attendance plus 2 bonus points for being on time.

5 points per week for reading three times (so 10 for reading 6 times)

Over the course of the year, the houses will have special challenges where they can gain extra points. During sports day, the children will compete within these house teams. At the end of the year, the house with the most points wins a trophy go on a special (free) trip. Last year, the winners were Harrogate who enjoyed a day at Gulliver's Valley. This year, another exciting Yorkshire place will be explored.

Children in Classes 1 and 2, Clever Kittens and Redscope Early Years collect dojo points instead as the numbers involved are within their understanding. Points are still awarded on the same basis.

Rockstar Day



On **Friday 14th October**, we will be celebrating all things maths by dressing up as rockstars. Children in Key Stage 2 and Year 2 will be completing rock battles against our other academy schools on Times Tables Rockstars and younger children will be using Number Bots. Throughout the day, all children will be completing maths activities and challenges.

By Year 4, your child should know all of their times table facts up to 12 x 12. They will have to do a timed government test and are expected to achieve 25/25. At Redscope, we learn our number facts through the years and revisit this knowledge regularly.

Birthdays and Other Food in School

Since COVID, we have asked parents not to send food items into school from home and appreciate your continued support with this. In 2022-23, we will still not be accepting food items from home such as buns, cakes, sweets into school to share. We would much sooner that you spend the money on your own child's birthday gifts. We also have a growing number of pupils with allergies, intolerances and particular needs.

We will make a fuss of your child on their birthday and they are welcome to wear a birthday badge, sash etc to mark the occasion if you wish.

Please do not send your child into school with other items of food to share (e.g. rock/sweets from a holiday).

Rest assured, that we will still have 'treat' items in school from time to time but these will be provided by school.

Water Bottles



Just a reminder that your child's water bottle should have water in it not juice. If your child dislikes drinking water then it is fine to put cut up slices of fruit (e.g. orange/ lemon) or frozen fruits (e.g. frozen raspberries and blackcurrants) inside the drink.

Rainbow Club - After School Childcare

Our after-school childcare facility is officially open. If you require a place, please see or email the school office for further details.



Home time – 4:30 £5.50 per child, per day includes a snack e.g. toast

Home time – 5:30 £10 per child, per day includes a snack e.g. beans on toast

The facility will run from our Early Years building throughout term time.

After School Clubs

Please see the individual letters sent through the arbour system.

Day	Club	Available to
Monday	Nova City – Dance 3D printing	Y3/4 (Classes 7,8,9,10) Y6 (13,14)
Tuesday	Lego Clubs Gardening Club	Y5/6 (Classes 11,12,13,14) Y6
Thursday	RUFC – Girls' Football	KS2 (Classes 7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14)
Friday	Mr Nicholas – Y3/4 Boys football	Classes 7,8,9,10 boys

Key Dates (new or changed items are in a colour)

1 st and 2 nd September	INSET DAYS
5 th September	Children return to school
19 th September	School closed for the Queen's funeral
30 th September	Sponsored Walk – Wellies/ old shoes needed
12 th October	Harvest Festival in school – requests of food in packets
14 th October	Rockstar Day – Dress up as a Rockstar
19 th October	On Site Parents Evening (remote option offered either 18 th or 20 th)
21 st October	Break up for half term- Non Uniform day
31 st October	Proposed INSET day – we are waiting to the provider to get back to us and will confirm asap
2 nd November	Artist in school – children will need wellies/ old shoes and a coat
18 th November	Children in Need
2 nd December	Christmas Dinner Day and Christmas Jumper Day
December	Christmas Parties TBC
5 th – 9 th December	Christmas Concerts
16 th December	Break up for Christmas
	Christmas Break
3 rd January 2023	INSET day
4 th January	Children return to school
10 th February	Break up for half term – Creative day (messy clothes needed)
20 th February	Return to school
1 st March	Parents Evening (remote option available on another date)
3 rd March	World Book Day Celebration – Wear pyjamas
10 th – 17 th March	Science Week
31 st March	Break up for Easter – Non Uniform Day
	Easter Break
17 th March	Back to school after Easter
1 st May	May day – School closed
26 th May	Break up for Spring bank holiday
5 th June	INSET day
6 th June	Return to school
23 rd June	Sports day
30 th June	Y6 Leaving Assembly
3- 7 th July	Y6 residential (C13 3 rd -5 th July and C14 5 th - 7 th July)
10 th July	Y6 children begin Winterhill/ Wingfield



Warm This Winter



HOW YOU CAN DONATE

1. Take the coat to your school reception.
2. Ensure it is in a sealed plastic bag.
3. Label the bag with the gender/age the coat would be suitable for.
4. Please only donate coats in good condition.

HOW TO REQUEST A COAT

1. Email your school with the gender and size you require.

Or

2. Hand in a note to reception with the same details.
3. As soon as we have a coat you will be informed privately that it's ready to collect.

We will ensure a child in need of a warm coat will receive it.