



Week 5 Newsletter



Week beginning 2nd October 2023

Autumn Term 1

Dear Families,

We can't believe that we have finished the fifth week of this half-term. Thank you for your patience and support during this time of high staff absence. We are hopefully over the worst of it and confident that normal service will resume shortly.

Despite staff changes and routines, the children have been working hard producing some wonderful work. Their teachers have been so impressed with the quality of work our children are capable of. They have also commented on how respectful, caring and kind natured they are. We have so much to be proud of.

We are doing our best to minimise the spread of infection around school with an emphasis on handwashing and making sure the classrooms are well ventilated. If your child is unwell, please keep them off school until you are confident that they are fit to return.

Many thanks and have a good weekend.

Mrs Rhodes

Mrs Gilhooly

Notices and News

Year 6 Residential

Year 6 have had a wonderful week at Peat Rigg near Pickering. We are expecting the return of many exhausted but happy children this afternoon. They have been orienteering, caving, canoeing plus a host of other exciting activities. Please check out our Facebook page for more details. They have represented the school impeccably and we are very proud of them. Thank you to Mrs Eccles, Mrs Hall and Mrs Beckwith, who have also had a brilliant time.

Head Boy, Head Girl and Sports Leaders

Congratulations to Emma, Finnbar, Lucy and Edward who are our new Head Boy, Head Girl and Deputies. We know they will do a super job and Miss Phillips, who is leading our School Council, is looking forward to working with them.

Well done to Edward, Jack, Finlay, Lorcan, Lottie, Bo, Emily and Caitlin, who will help Mr Gibson in their role as sports leaders.

Harvest

Next week we launch our Harvest campaign for Ilkley Foodbank. Our Mini-Vinnies are organising this and we are asking for donations of non-perishables, toiletries and baby products. Donations can be left under the shelter any morning. Thank you in advance.

Parking

Please can I remind families to park considerately when dropping off and picking up from school. We have had a number of complaints from neighbours, particularly in St Mary's Close. The residents are mostly elderly and access is needed for carers and ambulance services.

Uniform

We have a number of children not wearing correct uniform, particularly in PE. The correct uniform list can be found on our website. If anyone is having issues providing correct uniform then please contact the office and I will be happy to discuss.

Catholic Life

Children's liturgy

Mrs Hogan will be leading Children's liturgy on the first Sunday of every month at Sacred Heart Church and Children's Liturgy will take place on the third Sunday of every month in Burley.

Wednesday Word

Please find below the link to the Wednesday Word. This is an excellent resource that can be used at home to reflect on the issues and messages from Sunday's Gospel.

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/messenger?pid=MTA101634&v=105.8>

PE Days

Bluebell (Reception/ Yr 1)-Tuesday and Friday

Wharfe (Yr 2)- Monday and Thursday

Rombalds (Yr 3/ 4)- Wednesday and Wild Hearts Friday

Wheatley (Yr 4/ 5)- Tuesday and Wednesday

Olicana (Yr 5/ 6)- Monday and Thursday

Save the Date

Please note that dates and times will be added along the way

Saturday 7th October- Cross Country League (Westville@Ilkley Rugby Club)

Thursday 12th October- Year 6 Information evening 5pm

Monday 16th October- Individual photographs

Wednesday 18th October – FOSH AGM

Friday 20th October- 14:45 Rombalds Class Assembly and Special Mentions; Rombalds' class cake sale

Monday 23rd October- Olicana Class Mass 14:15 with Father Tim

Wednesday 25th October- Come and Meet the Senior Leadership Team 5:30pm

Thursday 26th October- School breaks up for half term

Friday 27th October- Training Day

Save the Date (Cont'd 1)

Monday 6th November- School opens at 8:45am

Friday 10th November- 14:45 Olicana Class Assembly and Special Mentions; FOSH Quiz night in school

Saturday 11th November- Open Morning 10am-12md. All welcome.

Week beginning 13th November- Antbullying week

Wednesday 15th November- Parent / Teacher Meetings (face to face) 15:30- 18:00

Thursday 16th November- Parent / Teacher Meetings (virtual) 15:30- 18:00

Friday 17th November- 14:45 Wheatley Class Assembly and Special Mentions; Wheatley Class FOSH cake sale

Saturday 18th November- Cross Country League @ Ghyll Royd

Week beginning 20th November- Road Safety Week

Monday 20th November- 13:15 Rombalds Class Mass with Father Tim

Thursday 30th November- Friday 1st December-Wheatley Class Residential to Nell Bank

Saturday 2nd December- FOSH Christmas Fair (time tbc)

Thursday 7th December-Advent Whole School Mass at 9:30am. All welcome.

Wednesday 13th December-14:00 KS1 and Reception Nativity Performance

Friday 15th December- 14:00 KS1 and Reception Nativity Performance; Bluebell Class FOSH Cake Sale

Tuesday 19th December- 18:00 KS2 Christmas Carols at Sacred Heart Church

Friday 22nd December: School closes at 15:15 for Christmas break

Monday 8th January- School opens at 8:45am

Thursday 18th January- Whole school trip to the pantomime (details to follow)

Week beginning January 29th- National Storytelling week

Friday 2nd February- 14:45 Wharfe Class assembly and Special Mentions

Saturday 3rd February- Cross Country League Ben Rhydding

Week beginning 5th February- Children's Mental Health Week

Tuesday 6th February- Safer Internet Day

Friday 9th February- School closes at 15:15 for Half Term

Monday 19th February- School opens at 8:45am

Saturday 2nd March- Cross Country League All Saints (@Ilkley Pool)

Thursday 7th March-World Book Day

Friday 8th March- Bluebell Class assembly and Special Mentions

Save the Date (Cont'd 2)

Week beginning 11th March- British Science Week

Monday 11th March- Science Fair (tbc)

Wednesday 20th March- Parent / Teacher Meetings (face to face) 15:30- 18:00

Thursday 21st March- Parent / Teacher Meetings (virtual) 15:30- 18:00

Wednesday 27th March- Year 3 and Year 4 Easter production 14:00

Thursday 28th March- School closes for Easter break at 15:15

Monday 15th April- School opens at 8:45am

Friday 26th April- Olicana Class Assembly and Special Mentions

Wednesday 15th May- International Day of Families; 14:30 extended family e.g. grandparents are invited into school.

Friday 17th May- Wheatley Class Assembly and Special Mentions

Friday 24th May- School breaks up for half term at 15:15

Tuesday 4th June- School opens at 8:45am. PLEASE NOTE MONDAY 3rd JUNE IS A TRAINING DAY

Thursday 6th June- Class photographs

Friday 14th June- 14:45 Wharfe Class Assembly and Special Mentions

Friday 21st June- Dravet Syndrome Awareness Day; Bluebell Class Assembly and Special Mentions

Friday 28th June- Rombalds Class Assembly and Special Mentions

Tuesday 2nd July- Sports Festival Day (tbc)

Friday 5th July- NHS Day- wear blue to school

Tuesday 9th July- 15:30-17:45 Celebration open evening; reports to families

Wednesday 10th July- 18:00 Year 5/ 6 Leavers production

Friday 12th July- 13:45 Year 5/ 6 Leavers production

Thursday 18th July- Leavers' Mass (tbc)

Friday 19th July- 13:45 Leavers' Assembly; School Closes for Summer at 15:15