

Weekly Newsletter

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Important Message from NYCC re Social Networking

Parents of children in North Yorkshire Schools are increasingly using social networking sites such as Facebook to talk to their friends. Sometimes parents have used these sites to criticize or make inappropriate comments about schools or even individual teachers. Making defamatory comments on the internet has exactly the same legal consequences as if they are made directly to someone else. Legal action could be taken against the person who has made the online comment. Similarly threats of violence can lead to criminal proceedings under the Malicious Communications Act 1988.

If you have any concerns about anything which happens in school please speak to your child's **class teacher** or the **Headteacher** who will do their best to resolve things. If you are still unhappy we have a complaints procedure which will ensure that your concerns are investigated thoroughly and appropriate action taken.

Happy Retirement

Next Friday, our Teaching Assistant Mrs Tarlton (aka **Mrs T**) will be retiring. We are sure you will all join us in thanking her for her years of service at the school and wishing her a long and happy retirement.

Christmas Post Box

Our Christmas post box will be in operation from Monday until the end of term. Children may post their cards and they will be sorted and delivered each day. Please make sure both the **name** and **class** are clearly written on the envelope.

Diary Dates

December 7

Christmas Lunch

December 12

Christmas Activity Afternoon
1.30pm onwards

December 13

FS2/KS1 Christmas
Performance **2pm**

December 14

FS2/KS1 Christmas
Performance **9.30am**

December 15

KS2 Christingle Service
1.30pm St Anne's Church

December 16

Christmas Jumper Day

December 16

Break for Christmas

January 3

Staff training Day

January 4

Children return to school

January 12

Year 5 Swimming lessons start

Important Notice

Welcome Back

Mrs Bell will be returning to school following her maternity leave on Monday 12 December.

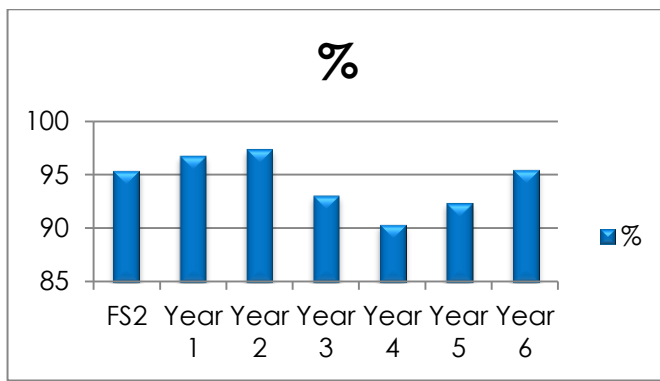
Christmas Lunch

There will be no Welcome Wednesday this week as on Wednesday we will be having our Christmas lunch. On the menu will be roast turkey, sausage, stuffing, roast potatoes, creamed potato, carrots, peas and gravy followed by iced chocolate chip Christmas muffin.

If your child is in **KS2** (Years 3 – 6) and would like to have a Christmas lunch please remember to send **£2.10** in an envelope with your child's name on, to school on Monday morning.

Attendance

The attendance prize this week has been won by Year 2 with an excellent overall attendance of **96.3% attendance**. Well done



The Hangout – Before and After School Club

Now that the weather is turning wintery and the nights are getting darker, if you are dropping off or collecting your child from the Hangout please press the bell on the side gate which links directly to the Hangout and then wait by the main door where the staff will meet you.

The Hangout runs from 7.30am – 8.45am and from 3pm to 6pm. Bookings can be made via the 'School Gateway' or the office.

And finally...

Christmas Activity Afternoon

Don't forget the Christmas Activity afternoon on the **12 December** when all parents are invited to join the children and take part in the activities. This will be followed at **3pm** by the MSSA Christmas event with Santa's Grotto and many other Christmassy activities and stalls. Please come along and join in the fun!



After School Clubs

Monday

FS, KS1 Streetdance – 3pm – 3.50pm £3 per week
KS2 Streetdance – 3.55pm – 4.55pm £3 per week
KS1 & 2 Football – CANCELLED until further notice

Tuesday

KS2 Choir – 3pm – 4pm £3 (one off charge)

Wednesday

KS2 Handbells - 3 - 4pm
FS, KS1 Basketball – 3pm – 3.50pm £3 per week
KS2 Basketball – 3.55pm – 4.55pm £3 per week

Thursday

KS1 Multiskills – 3pm – 4pm £3 (one off charge)
KS2 Netball - CANCELLED until further notice
KS2 School Newspaper 3pm – 4pm £3 (one off charge)
KS2 Cross stitch – 3pm – 4pm (£3 one off charge)