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Our Christian value for this half term is "Thankfulness"

FEBRUARY 2024 NEWSLETTER

Dinner Money

Dinner money next half term (after February half term) will be £65.00 (25 days x £2.60). (KS2 children only)

Outstanding Payments

AS WE NEAR THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR, PLEASE CAN ALL OUTSTANDING PAYMENTS ON PARENTPAY BE BROUGHT UP TO DATE BY **WEDNESDAY 20th MARCH** AT THE LATEST. TEXT REMINDERS OF ANY OUTSTANDING PAYMENTS WILL BE SENT OVER THE COMING WEEKS. THANK YOU.

National Football Week

We will be participating in National Football week during the week beginning Monday 5th February. Each day we will be participating in a different activity and practicing our football skills. All children should make sure that they have a warm PE kit in school every day.

Stay and Read in Miss Carr's Class

Stay and read will continue every Friday morning in Miss Carr's class. Parents, grandparents etc... are invited to stay in the KS1 classroom at drop off time to share books and stories with the children. Younger siblings are very welcome, and the session will finish by 9.15am.

Parents' Meetings

This term's parent meetings will be held on **Tuesday 20th** and **Wednesday 21st February** from 3.45pm. This is an opportunity to discuss your child's progress, celebrate their successes and determine ways to work together to help your child reach the next step in their learning journey. Your child's class teacher will make an appointment time with you this week.

Swimming

Swimming lessons continue until 18th March for our KS2 children at Driffild Leisure Centre.

Punctuality

Please be aware that the school day starts at 8.50am. All children should arrive between 8.40am and 8.50am, children arriving after this time will receive a late mark on the register. Thank you.

London

On **Friday 17th & 18th April**, some children from Years 4, 5 and 6 will be enjoying their overnight stay in London where they will be sleeping on HMS Belfast. They will also be visiting The British Museum, The National Portrait Gallery as well as seeing the sights around London. If your child is joining us on this trip, please ensure that all payments are made **before 15th March**.

Children's Heart Surgery Fund Day

A huge thank you for your support during Children's Heart Surgery Fund Day, we raised a total of £84 for the charity. It was fantastic to see the children living out our school values of Love, Respect and Responsibility, and asking questions to develop their understanding of the needs and challenges facing others. A special thank you to the Reception children and Mrs McNee for baking such delicious heart shaped biscuits and to our School Council for selling them at playtime.

Numbots

Congratulations to Eva in Year 6, who has completed Diamond level and the entire Numbots programme. Numbots is an online programme to develop mathematic skills and fluency in maths. Many of our children are working incredibly hard to progress through the levels and we are seeing the benefits of this during maths lessons. All children in KS1 and KS2 currently have Numbots logins and the children in Reception will receive theirs shortly. Please let Mr Dolman or Miss Carr know if your child is unable to access Numbots at home.

Visits to Places of Worship

Both classes will be visiting a place of worship this term to support our Religious Education and Worldviews curriculum. This is a valuable opportunity for the children to make connections between what they have learned in school and actual, buildings, artefacts and practices.

Mr Dolman's class will be visiting a mosque in York on **Thursday 8th February** and Miss Carr's class will be visiting the church in Beswick after half term (visit to be confirmed). The children in Reception, Year One and Year Two will be walking to the church in the afternoon. Children will be able to talk to Reverend Simon, look for artefacts in the church and watch a doll or teddy being baptised. If any parents are available and would like to accompany the children on the walk to the church, please let Miss Carr know.

Learn with Parents

Thank you to all those parents who are already accessing the online reading log, Learn With Parents. Please let us know if you are having difficulty accessing the site. We have set a target of reading at home at least three times a week and we are already seeing the benefits for children who are achieving this. Reading times at home, should be in a relaxed comfortable environment and can include books and magazines etc... other than our reading scheme books. Children who achieve the target of reading three times a week during each half term, will be able to choose a book to keep at home.

Uniform

All uniform is available to purchase from Drury Sports in Driffeld via their website www.drurysports.com. Replacement book bags are still available to purchase from school at a cost of £6.50.

Absences

Please remember you can contact school from 8.15am on 01377 270339 or email: bewick@eastriding.gov.uk to report your child's absence from school with details regarding the reason for their absence.

Items Needed in School

Please note the following items are needed in school:

A school coat every day.

Wellies - If possible, please bring them in to school each Monday and leave them in school all week for use in outdoor play.

Warm clothing for PE such as a tracksuit. Please note that such clothing may get muddy depending on the weather/sporting activity so the clothes and shoes should also be appropriate for this.

Indoor plimsolls should be in school every day. The plimsolls are not only used for indoor wear but also for indoor PE.

Trainers for outdoor PE.

Spare socks would be appreciated during the wet weather.

Thank you for your support.

Date	Event
Every Monday	KS2 Swimming Lessons
Every Monday	KS2 Guitar Lessons
5th February	FA Football Week
8 th February	KS2 Mosque Visit
9th February	Finish for half term break
19th February	School re-opens
20 th February	Parents Meetings
21 st February	Parents Meetings
7 th March	World Book Day
15 th March	Red Nose Day
22 nd March	Finish for Easter Holidays
8 th April	Staff Training Day
9 th April	School re-opens for Summer term

Safeguarding Information

Self harming is when an individual hurts themselves on purpose often to relieve feelings of distress. Self harm brings a temporary relief for the individual and can sometimes generate a cycle of self harm. There are no fixed rules or criteria about why individuals self harm and it is different for everyone. It is important to remember that self harm is not always obvious.

Talking to someone you trust can help and there are organisations who offer specialist support and help. Your GP can refer your child to CAMHS for an assessment and find a treatment that is right for you.

For further assistance - www.nhs.uk