



Together We Can

**Attendance to date this term
95%**

Dates for your Diary

17th March - Dads & Lads Day—**please let us know if you are coming**

22nd March - Easter Experience for 2&3

23rd March - FoLS Pamper Evening

24th March - Mothers day lunch, RED NOSE DAY

31st March - Easter Concert 10am

6th April - Easter Lunch

7th April - End of Term.

SAINSBURYS VOUCHER SCHEME

Don't forget to hand in your vouchers - there is a box in reception.



Newsletter

Thursday 16th March 2017

A word from Mrs Mitchell

We are introducing a 4th value to underpin our purpose of "Together We Can". This value is "teaching and learning with passion". Leaders believe this quality is essential in striving to be the best we can possibly be. To teach without passion is to not teach. We will endeavour to create a culture of passion and enthusiasm across our school.

Please can I ask on behalf of all staff that if you need to speak to a member of staff, please ask Mrs Mortimer in reception rather than walk into school looking for them—especially at the start of the school day. Teachers have many important things to do before registration at 9am and even a small disruption can put them behind. All of our staff are, of course, more than happy to meet with you at a mutually convenient time, but please can I ask you to direct your query to Mrs Mortimer in the first instance. Thank you for your co-operation.

All the staff would like to thank FoLS who have been working really hard to raise money for the school. The money that FoLS have raised so far this year will go towards a new super duper fancy library system as well as enhancing the mud kitchens in EYFS and KS1. Thank you to Lisa Rowe, Anna Rose-Adams, Karen Drabble and everyone else who has helped so far; we value all your work and most importantly the children have a great time while raising valuable funds for our small, but perfectly formed, school!

We appreciate that this last term has been quite hectic, particularly with staff being out on essential training courses. We do try and minimise any disruption to pupils by ensuring that Mrs Mitchell covers as much of the teaching cover as possible. Please be assured that next term staff will not be attending nearly as many out of school events and this will ensure consistency in the classroom for our children.

Thanks, Sian Mitchell

Red Nose Day



For Red Nose Day this year our school council has come up with some great ways to raise money.

They are organising a bake sale. We would very much appreciate donations of buns or tray-bakes to sell on the day. We will be selling them at 20p each.

There will be face painting at 50p a go and 'pin the red nose on the face' for 20p a go.

Children are also encouraged to dress in red for a £1 donation.

Warriors Club—Wed 29th March 3.15pm— 4.45pm.

An art, activities and games club run by the church.

This club will now take place in the **school hall**.

Places must still be booked by 28th March through Mrs Spencer—01653 658381 or email chris.spencer636@btinternet.com. Thank you.

Volunteers

Thank you to those parents who have volunteered to help in school. This is very much appreciated. If you have a spare hour or two and haven't yet volunteered, please do - we can never have enough extra pairs of hands!

Contact Details

It is imperative that I have correct email and mobile numbers for you - please ensure any changes to your details are given to the office as soon as possible.

Please email admin@leavening.n-yorks.sch.uk with any comments about this newsletter.

Shining Examples!

Aim high so everyone can shine + Live and learn beyond the classroom + Care, share and belong + Teaching & learning with passion

This week it's all about the staff.....!



Aim high: Mrs Mortimer. My favourite ever perception of Mrs M (by the children!) is that she sits at her desk, hands out letters and answers the door and phone all day. While that is partly accurate, Mrs Mortimer's role at school is vast. From dealing with uncooperative workmen to managing school finances, from ensuring the health and safety of all areas of school is to the highest standard possible to retrieving escapee pets from the premises. I often feel Mrs Mortimer's job title does not do her justice (Mrs Mitchell's secretary she is not!) so I would like to recognise the hard work and effort that goes on behind the scenes of our super School Business Manager!



Look and learn beyond the classroom: Mr Clarke for his outstanding and inspirational sports coaching. Mr Clarke does not only provide high quality sports coaching to each child but his effectiveness instils confidence, team building, personal discipline and motivation into the children too.



Care, share and belong: Miss Evelyn is the epitome of this school value! She has been a member of staff for only 2 years and already "Leavening School" runs through her like the print in a stick of rock! Miss Evelyn is an exceptional team player and is always going above and beyond for children and staff alike!

(Note: all awarded staff will receive a gold star and treat from Mrs M's treat tin!!)

Vacancy for MSA & Relief MSA

As you all know, Mrs Spencer is leaving us at Easter. This means we have a vacancy for an MSA (midday supervisory assistant). The role would be for 5 hours a week (12noon - 1pm each day). We also require a relief MSA who could be called upon at short notice to cover for absence or sickness. The purpose of an MSA is to work alongside all members of the staff team to secure a caring and safe environment during the midday break.

The key responsibilities are:-

Communicate effectively with all children and staff.

Know that communication is a two way process.

To assist with the service of the meal, including distribution of food, clearing spills, supervising eating of packed lunches.

To help with the removal of food and equipment.

To help children play well together

Participate in the school's appraisal scheme. and in training and other learning activities and performance development as required.

Provide support and encouragement to all children.

Resolve minor disputes between pupils.

To supervise the playground area, playing fields, cloakrooms, classrooms etc,

Dealing with minor first aid incidents, following appropriate procedures for recording and reporting.

Please contact Mrs Mortimer or Mrs Mitchell if you are interested in either of the above posts.

Viking Feast

Thank you to everyone who came and supported our Viking Feast—a great time was had by all! The children all made a fantastic effort and looked amazing. Thank you to Mrs Crossley for providing the feast.

Mr & Mrs Kemp were our Viking King and Queen and got to drink out of bejewelled goblets!



Friends of Leavening School Pudding & Pamper Evening

7pm - 10pm Thursday 23rd March 2017

In Leavening School Hall

Ladies and lasses, you are all invited to our newly launched pamper evening at Leavening School.

Come and be treated to a relaxing evening where you can indulge in mini treatments such as new nails, new hair, waxing or a massage.

Each treatment will cost around £7.00

There will also be stalls from Sloemotion, Stella & Dot and more.

You all deserve it so ring up your best pal, mum, sister, mother-in-law, auntie and granny and bring them along.

Enjoy a glass of wine and a pudding whilst you wait for a treatment or just come for a natter!



Dodgeball Tournament

Thank you to everyone who came and supported us as we stormed the fun and friendly dodgeball tournament on Friday.

A big well done to all our year 4/5/6 children, especially Felicity Kettlestring who won Mr Clarke's most valued and fair player award.



Rocket Car Challenge!

We are taking part in the rocket car challenge, a design and build task designed to engage young people in engineering.

We will design then build our cars with Mr England, before racing them on **27th March**.

Please come and watch us race our cars at **2.30pm** in the playground.



Cross country at Lady Lumleys

Well done to all our amazing runners - Will Girling came 36th, Joni Collier-Hield came 33rd, Eve Hargreaves 32nd, Riley Tinson 30th, Graci Wood 22nd, George Robinson 17th, Lewis Drabble 2nd and Rufus Pegrum 1st.

Lewis and Rufus will go on to run in the final at Dalby Forest.

