

NEWSLETTER

18th September 2020

AUTUMN TERM

A WORD FROM MRS CALLAGHAN...

A very warm welcome to the new school year to you all and, in particular, to our new starters in Acorns and to Jack, our newest pupil in Oak Trees class. You will no doubt be aware of some of the changes to the organisation of school that we have had to make due to COVID-19, and the changes to the staffing that have taken place this term. The children have all settled in really well, despite the changes in school, and I have been very impressed with their resilience and behaviour in such unusual times.

The new staff and I are enjoying getting to know the children in school.

For your information the current staffing structure is:

Acorns Nursery	Conkers Class	Oak Trees Class
Miss H Cooke TA	Mrs J Milson	Mrs J Price
Mrs H D'Arcy TA	Mrs L Callaghan (Thursday)	Mrs D Stockill (Friday)
Miss A Brunskill TA (Wednesdays – temporary)	Mrs D Stockill (Friday)	Mr D Bentley TA
	Mrs L Smith TA	
	Mrs C Peel TA	
	Mrs A Jacques TA	

PLANNED DIARY DATES

(Events may be subject to change due to Covid 19)

OCTOBER

Weds 14th - School photographer here
More information coming soon!

DECEMBER

Weds 2nd - Flu vaccinations

FEBRUARY

Weds 24th-Fri 26th- Peat Rigg residential
Oak Trees class (Years 3-6)

JUNE

Young Voices rearranged date - tbc

It is inevitable that in the coming weeks and months we will have to deal with the impact of COVID-19.

As a reminder, staff, children or parents experiencing COVID-19 symptoms:

> new and persistent cough

> or a high temperature,

> or a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell) **must NOT come to school**, should self-isolate for at least 10 days and should arrange to have a test to see if they have coronavirus (COVID-19).

If we send your child home from school with Covid-19 symptoms, **they will need to be free of the symptoms AND have a negative test** before returning to school. In the event of one member of a household experiencing symptoms, the whole household would need to self-isolate. Where a child or family needs to self-isolate, we will provide suitable home learning for children to complete when they are well enough to do so.

If your child is absent from school for any reason, please let us know on the morning of the first day of absence by 9.30am.

If a child is absent and we have not been given any reason for this absence, we will attempt to contact you.

We are getting used to the new drop off and pick up arrangements and I would like to thank parents for supporting us with this and keeping socially distanced at the school gates in the morning and afternoon. You will have received a letter from Mrs Kemp regarding who has permission to pick children up from school. If you have not already done so, please return this to school as possible so that we can ensure we are keeping children safe.

Normally, at this point in the term we would be giving you information about lots of upcoming events and dates for your diary. Sadly, it looks as though most of the usual school events will not be able to take place this term. Parents Evenings in particular are a vital part of our relationship between school and home. At this stage, it is unlikely that we can offer appointments on the school site so we will be looking at other ways of updating you about your child's progress.

Despite all of the challenges currently being presented, the school feels very positive and the staff and I are greatly looking forward to the coming term. As the Leavening school motto says, "Together we can!"

My very best wishes

Mrs Louise Callaghan (Acting Headteacher)

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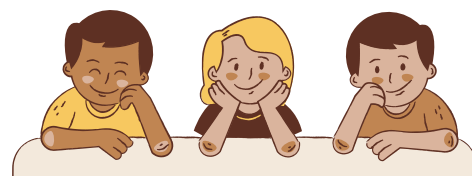
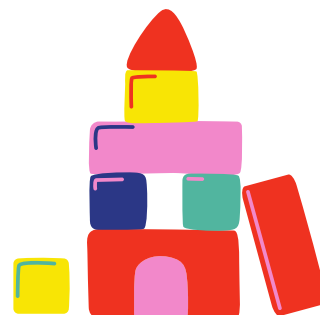
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Breakfast/After School Club

Breakfast Club 7.45am - 9am
£3.00 per session including a light breakfast.

After School Club is available in 2 sessions:
3.15pm to 4.15pm for £3.00
3.15pm - 5.15pm for £5.00

To book either Email: Admin@leavening.n-yorks.sch.uk
Or call **01653 658 313**



Term dates
(including those for
2021-22) can also be
found on the
[school website](#).

School Term Dates September 2020 - July 2021



	Break Up	Return
Summer Term	-	Tuesday 8th September 2020
Half Term	Friday 23rd October 2020	Monday 2nd November 2020
Christmas	Friday 18th December 2020	Tuesday 5th January 2021
Half Term	Friday 12th February 2021	Monday 22nd February 2021
Easter	Friday 26th March 2021	Tuesday 13th April 2021
May Day	Monday 3rd May 2021	
Whitsun Half Term	Friday 28th May 2021	Tuesday 8th June 2021
Summer	Friday 23rd July 2021	Tuesday 7th September 2021
Training Days	Monday 7th September 2020 Monday 4th January 2021 Monday 12th April 2021 Monday 7th June 2021 Monday 26th July 2021	
Bank Holidays	Christmas Day 25th December 2020 Monday 28th December 2020 New Year's Day 1st January 2021 Good Friday 2nd April 2021 Easter Monday 5th April 2021 Monday 3rd May 2021 Monday 31st May 2021	

