

# **NEWSLETTER**

Thursday 3rd November 2022

AUTUMN 2 TERM

### A word from Mrs Mitchell

Hello everyone!

Welcome back to our second half of the autumn term and our whole school topic of 'We are Yorkshire'. I always find this half term the most energetic and magical of the school year. We have lots to look forward to with some rich learning experiences for the children, such as our upcoming inter faith week, our theatre visits and craft afternoon. This is all before the Christmas festivities even begin!

Thank you to those EYFS and KS1 parents who have made an appointment to see your child's teacher this week. For those who have not, the staff will be in contact to ensure that you do arrange a meeting with them to discuss your child's progress. We value effective home school communication at Leavening and it is our aim to ensure our teachers meet with each of you. Thank you to the parents of children in Oak Trees for your understanding regarding the delayed parent meetings- these will be rearranged in due course.

We have been working hard to improve playtime experiences for all pupils, with leadership from the schools' young leadership team, Miss Mitchelmore and Mrs Raines. The children have opportunity at playtime to access a wide variety of play. Our playworkers (formerly MSA's or lunch time supervisors) are working collectively to ensure this is a positive experience for all. We always pride ourselves on the good behaviour and attitudes of our pupils but more recently we are seeing even happier, calmer and engaged children at playtimes.

Attendance at school is on a positive upward trajectory in recent months, which is a positive and we thank you for your support in ensuring that your child attends well. If your child's attendance is still causing concern, then I will be in touch over the coming weeks to discuss this, with the aim of working together to support and improve. I appreciate that sometimes this is unwelcome communication for some parents, but I assure you that school leaders are following national legislation, policy and procedure and we have a duty to ensure all children attend well. In line with this, we are monitoring lateness of pupils from this half term and if persistent lateness is becoming an issue, then I will be in contact to discuss ways forward. Again, with the good intention of improving outcomes for the pupils at school.

Thank you for reading our newsletter and I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible over the coming weeks.

My best wishes



## DIARY DATES

### **NOVEMBER**

Mon 6th Bags2School collection 9am Mon 14th-Fri 18th Interfaith week Tues 29th Charlie & The Chocolate Factory theatre trip to Leeds Playhouse (Oak Trees class only)

### DECEMBER

**Thurs 1st** Christmas Craft afternoon with parents/carers

**Fri 2nd** Christmas production and Christmas fayre

**Mon 5th** Last Hawkes after school club **Fri 9th** Peter Pan theatre trip (whole school including Nursery)

**Thurs 15th** Christmas lunch followed by parties

### **JANUARY 2023**

Mon 2nd Bank holiday
Tues 3rd Training day
Weds 4th School term begins

### **FEBRUARY 2023**

**Fri 3rd Feb** Young Voices Concert (Oak Trees class)

# IMPORTANT NOTICES: Children are NOT to bring any toys from home into school.

Punctuality
School starts promptly at 8.45am:
All children should be in school for this time.

You will now be <u>required to sign your</u> <u>child in as LATE in the office</u> if they arrive after this time.

Nursery opens at 8.55am

### **School Attendance**

- Our school attendance last week (before half term) was 94.9% vs National attendance last week of 93.4% This was above national average.
- Attendance this week so far: **91.0**%
- Attendance this term so far:91.0%

## Recent highlights from across school...

Children enjoyed making chocolate crispies in Baking Club at the end of last term, along with toppings of their choice...



### **Kevin Hollinrake MP visited Oak Trees class**

Some Year 6s then took him on a tour around the school and our outside areas.



"We really enjoyed our visit from Mr Hollinrake. We walked him around the school, showed him Nursery, Conkers and Oak Trees classes as well as to the school field and MUGA. He asked us lots of questions and he had a nice time meeting the school staff and guinea pigs! Our class found it really interesting when we were talking about Ukraine and Russia. It was a really good day."

-Noah B and Aiden C

# What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

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# WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

### INAPPROPRIATE CONTACT

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### MEMBERSHIP COSTS

### REWARDS FOR REPEATE

# Advice for Parents & Carers

### MONITOR DOWNLOADS

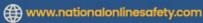
### RESPECT AGE RESTRICTIONS



### BLOCK, REPORT, DISCUSS

### ACTIVE LISTENING













# Working with

# **Leavening Primary School**

Your child has uploaded a Christmas drawing to our website!

**VIEW NOW** 

by logging into the

Parent Order Portal >

at www.mychildsart.co.uk/order using the unique codes at the bottom of this leaflet.

10% OFF EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT

Use code

Leavening

during checkout for 10% off your order!

One use only. Excludes VAT and P&P. Valid for 2 weeks from the portal opening date, not the date that you receive this leaflet. Not automatically applied and cannot be added once an order has been confirmed.

### My Child Art fundraising project information

This week, children will be coming home with their leaflets explaining how parents can log into the portal to view their child's art (Acorns and Conkers children will be sending their art in by Friday 4th Nov).

Once parents/carers have logged in, they can then choose to order various items with their child's art on it to purchase. School will receive 20% commission for everything sold.

There is also an early bird 10% discount on all orders for the next 2 weeks!

In addition, if anyone knows of other schools/nurseries/groups who would like to do their own My Childs Art, they can use our referral code ('Leavening') and we would both get an additional £10 commission each.

Thanks for your support!