

# NEWSLETTER

# Thursday 2nd May 2024

Summer 1 Term

## SCHOOL REMINDERS

#### Uniform reminder.

Our <u>school uniform policy can be found on our website</u>. Please note- Make up, artificial nails and 'gimicky' hair accessories for pupils are NOT allowed.

**PE for Oak Trees is on Fridays.** Appropriate clothing and outdoor footwear is needed for the field- pupils will be doing athletics.

**PE for Conkers is on Mondays.** Remember to wear your PE kit and trainers. Note there will be **no Forest School sessions** this term.

#### Water bottles

Children MUST bring a water bottle to school. Only water should be in bottles- <u>no juice please</u>. Fruit juice or smoothie is allowed in pack up for lunch time but only water is allowed throughout the day. Water bottles must be brought in each day but particularly on days we have PE as we cannot take jugs of water over to the MUGA. Thanks for your support.

#### **Reporting absence**

It is VITAL that you MUST ring school and a leave message on the absence line (or email the office Mon-Thurs) if your child is absent. **Any absences on a Friday must be phoned through only.** 

If we have not heard from you by 9.30am, we will ring to chase up the reason for absence. Thank you for your support.

### Sports day: Thursday 6th June

In case of bad weather, a new date will be confirmed. Children will be in PE kit all day. Round-robin team activities will take place in the morning. Parents/Carers/Family are invited in the afternoon to the races (from 1.15pm). Please bring your own seating/blanket etc.

## **School Attendance**

### <u> 22 April 2024 - 26 April 2024</u>

**Our school weekly attendance was: 97.25%** This was <u>above</u> the **primary national average of 94.9%** 

> Attendance **this week** so far: **90.83%** Attendance **this term** so far: **95.06%**

## **DIARY DATES**

<u>MAY</u> Mon 13th -Thurs 16th SATS exam week for Year 6

Mon 27th - Fri 31st Half term week

#### JUNE

Thurs 6th

Sports Day

**Tues 18th** York Castle Museum trip (Conkers)

Tues 18th & Weds 19th

Year 6 Transition days: Malton School & Norton College

Weds 26th

Year 5 taster day: Malton School **Thurs 27th** 

Murton Park trip (Oak Trees) Reports home

<u>JULY</u>

**Weds 3rd** WOPSS Concert 1.45pm (Oaks)

Parents/Carers warmly welcome Mon 8th-Fri 12th

All children to their new class

Weds 10th at 1.15pm

Dress rehearsal for summer show

#### Thurs 11th

Crucial Crew event (Yr 6 only)

Fri 12th Summer production

**Tues 16th** Flamingo Land trip

(Conkers and Oak Trees) Weds 17th

Yr 6 treat day: Allerthorpe Lake

#### Fri 19th Last day of term

End of year celebration assembly (9.30am-11am) Yr 6 vs Parents rounders (11-12) Yr 6 parents stay for lunch (12-1)

> **Pop-up Library Dates;** 6th June | 27th June | 1th July (Collection only)

<u>Please check your ParentPay</u> <u>account and clear any</u> <u>outstanding balances</u>

### **Our Safeguarding Team at Leavening CP School:**

Our Designated Safeguarding Lead is: Mrs Mitchell

Our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead is: Mrs Bennett | Our Safeguarding Governor is: Dr Neil Audsley

Conkers class have been learning all about 'People who help us' and have explored the different people who can help them both inside of school and outside of school.

They have also been learning about appropriate physical contact and how to respond to inappropriate physical contact of any kind.

They have been exploring how to have 'kind hands' and how to treat people respectfully.

### Dogs and Children: Top tips to keep them safe and happy together

A Police Chief Inspector is warning families to remember that any dog can bite, after a 3-year-old was bitten in the face by his family's pet after trying to climb on the animal. "Children should never be unsupervised when with dogs, even family pets that you believe 'would never hurt' your children." While we don't expect our own dog to bite, it's important to remember any dog can bite if they feel they have no other option.

That's why the child accident prevention trust have created free resources with bite-sized safety tips to share with the families you work with.

Dogs and Children | Top tips to keep them safe and happy together (capt.org.uk)

### What is Doxing? A Guide for Professionals, Parents and Carers

For many of us when we go online, our privacy is something that we prioritise. Although we may like to share our holiday pictures and birthday celebrations on social media, there are some things which are just off limits. Specific details such as our home address, or our contact number may be publicly available somewhere, but that doesn't mean we necessarily want everybody to know about it. Because of this, the act or threat of our personal details being shared online can carry considerable harm and upset to targeted individuals. This is where the term 'Doxing' came about.

Find out more in resources shared by the SWGfl:

What is Doxing? A Guide for Professionals, Parents and Carers | SWGfL

## Free NSPCC "Listen Up, Speak Up" training

It takes a village to raise a child. And it takes a community to keep children safe.

That's why we're encouraging every adult in the UK to take our <u>10-minute digital training</u> and learn how to listen up and speak up for children.

Listen up, Speak up will show you:

-some signs a child might be at risk, and steps you can take to help

-how to approach difficult conversations to help keep children safe

-who you can contact if you're ever concerned about a child or their family.

## Discussing Online Life with Your Child:

Are you worried about your child's online habits but you're not sure how to approach them? Check out our video, 'Discussing Online Life with Your Child', for tips on how to start a conversation with a child or young person in your care about what they're doing online.

Discussing Online Life with Your Child - YouTube

# **Recent highlights from Acorns Nursery**

Acorns have been embracing everything new at the moment as we welcome our new starter Rupert to the Acorns family. As well as observing the changes in our wider community, we have been welcoming the lambs surrounding our lovely village and the shoots from flowers that we have planted or spotted around the village.





To continue with the improvements in Nursery, Miss Cooke is looking for a handy individual who would be willing to volunteer putting some new shelves up as well as guttering on a shed. **Thank you in advance!** 

## **Donation requests**

Acorns Nursery are looking for any donations of authentic resources to aid and stimulate play, helping to provide a multi-sensory experience, sparking imaginations and curiosity. We are asking for any objects, artefacts or household objects that no longer serve their purpose within your home. There is a list below of some wooden objects as ideas however, other materials such as ceramic and metal are appreciated.

### Thank you for your generosity.

Dishes, Serving salad bowls, Trays, Salad spoons, Boxes, Carvings, African animals Wooden masks, Trinket boxes, Chopping boards, Plaques, Wooden carved balls Curtain rings, Coasters, Woven mats, Wicker baskets, Mug trees, Bread bin Pots, Jewellery pots, Wooden animals, Serving trays, Spoons, Spatulas, Baskets

## **Recent highlights from across school**

On the 19th of April we had a spectacular day supported by Brass Bands England and Swinton Brass Band. Every child from Acorns, Conkers and Oak Trees had the opportunity to play a brass instrument and learn about the different parts of the brass band. We had some fantastic tunes such as "I feel good" and "Crazy in love" and some of the younger children got to fly in a rocket ship! After a morning of playing, marching and fun, Leavening School was joined by pupils from Sand Hutton Primary School for a playtime and afternoon.





After lunch, Swinton Brass Band was joined by Miss Templeman and Mr Mortimer and the children were serenaded by the brass music. We discussed the feelings, tempo, rhythm and powers behind each song!

At the end of the day, KS2 children performed the pieces they had learnt to their parents/guardians!



Well done to all the children at Leavening for having a fantastic try on a brass instrument and for welcoming our visitors so nicely.

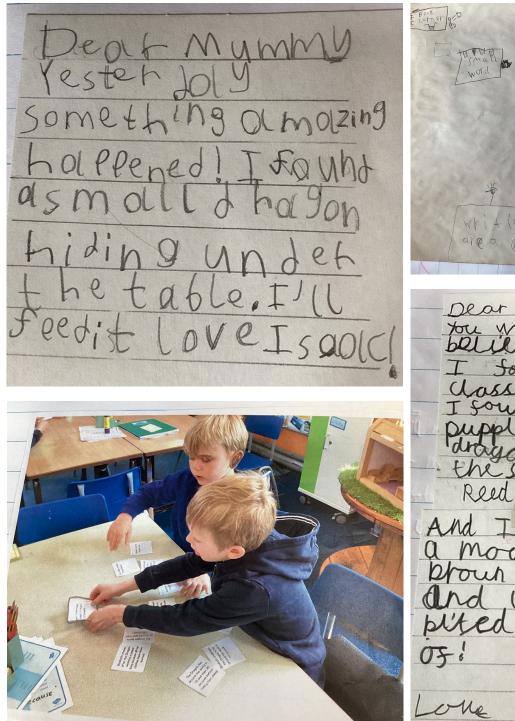
## **Recent highlights from Conkers**

This week, the Conkers class have been extremely inspired by our class book 'The Paperbag Princess'.

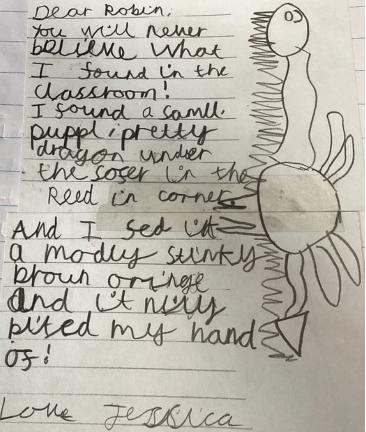
The book is a wonderful twist on the fairy-tale genre and has inspired some fantastic creative writing!

Firstly, the children learnt the story structure and then hunted around the classroom for possible dragon 'hiding places'. Once we had decided the most likely dragon hiding spots, we created a map for others to use.

We then plotted our own story, making sure to add our own delightful twists!



M near Robin



Mental Health support in North Yorkshire

The Go-To has a number of resources to support children and young people.

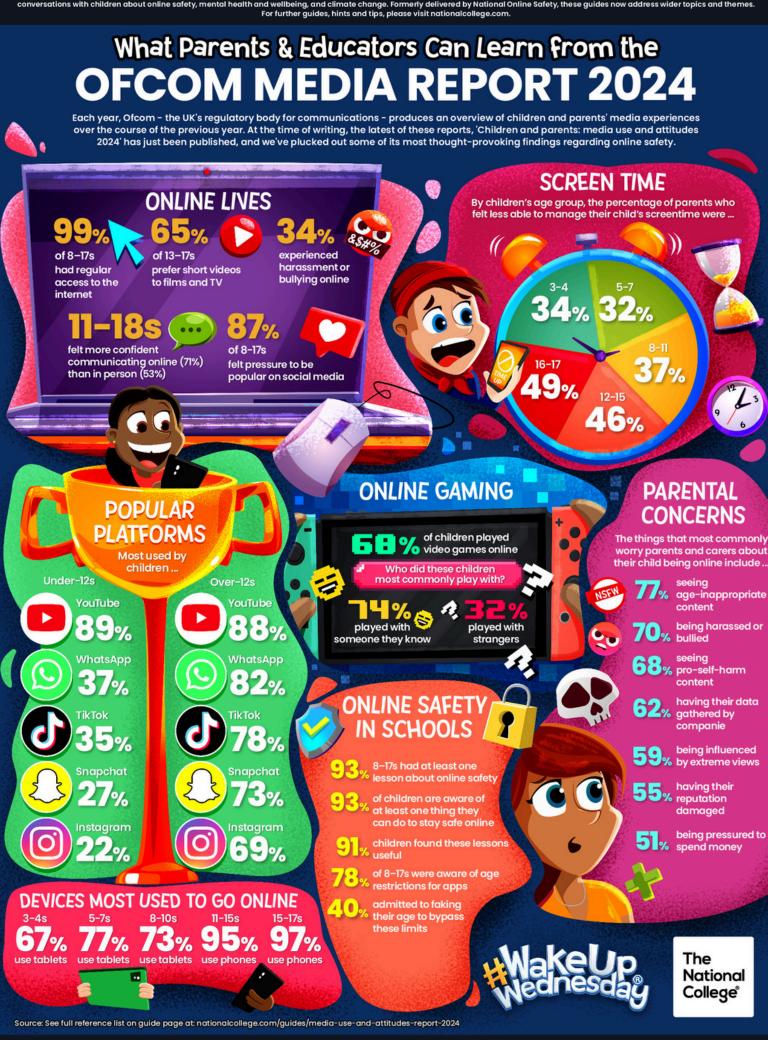
www.thegoto.org.uk



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At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.



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