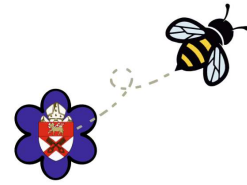




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Newsletter Spring 2

It finally feels like Spring has sprung, and what a difference being able to get onto the field has made for everyone. It's been a short half term but we've packed a lot in – have a lovely Easter holiday!

Dates

Summer term dates will be coming out after the Easter holiday, but here are a few key ones to put in your diaries: Parent and Carer Celebration Assembly Friday 22nd May and Friday 3rd July 2.45pm. Sports Day Friday 19th June from 1pm (it is likely that the FOBS Summer Fair will be on the same afternoon but will confirm nearer the date). Class photos 15th June.

Morning drop off

To help ensure every child gets the best possible start to their day, we will continue welcoming pupils into school through the hall each morning rather than via the playground. This gentle whole-school "soft start" has led to smoother transitions into learning, fewer slips, trips or fallings-out before lessons begin, and better opportunities for staff to offer pastoral support as children settle in. Thank you for your support in helping mornings run calmly and positively for everyone.

Safeguarding

If you didn't get chance to check out the latest parental online safety information in our last newsletter, here's the link: <https://parentsafe.lgfl.net/> It's regularly updated to keep parents and carers up to date with the fast-moving online world.

Attendance

Wrens	Swifts	Robins	Kites	Hawks	Whole school
96.7%	97%	98%	97.4%	96.7%	97.1% [National 94.9%, North Yorks 95.1%]

It's worth noting that an increasing chunk of the lower attendance is due to holidays being taken. Whilst we recognise that term time prices are significantly lower, we very much appreciate holidays being taken in holiday time, in line with DfE guidance.



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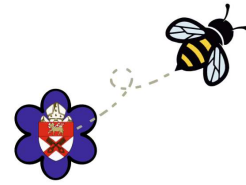




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Forest Schools

Wrens will be enjoying Forest Schools on Wednesdays next half term, Mrs Davison and Miss Martin will be in touch about suitable clothing.

Trainers and Uniform

Please can we kindly remind families that children should come to school in **black school shoes**, not brightly coloured trainers. We completely appreciate that feet grow quickly and that some families may be waiting for the holidays before buying new shoes. In the meantime, we would be grateful if you could ensure footwear is as close to the correct school uniform as possible. Thank you for your support.

Next term we will be trialling navy blue polo shirts as well as our traditional white ones, as we are very aware of how quickly our children manage to change the colour of their beautifully laundered, sparkling white polo shirts at playtime! For the next term either colour will be acceptable, and if this proves popular, we will move over to dark blue polo shirts in September. Other providers are available, but here are some example links:

<https://direct.asda.com/george/school/boys-school-polo-shirts/navy-short-sleeve-school-polo-shirts-2-pack/GEM1026922-23540,default,pd.html?clr=Navy>

<https://www.next.co.uk/style/st179394/q97820>

https://www.marksandspencer.com/2pk-unisex-pure-cotton-school-polo-shirts-2-18-yrs-/p/clp60650685?color=NAVY&_gl=1*1mnwv1z*_up*MQ..*_gs*MQ..&gclid=CjwKCAjwspPOBhB9EiwATFbi5EMgXkCr8uroVruPLbz4uQT7hWsuS67elyXfGbYSmCA2DGjiXYN3ERoCVLIQAvD BwE&gclidsrc=aw.ds&gclid=0AAAAAD7g6bS0rN2CIPLrjvQEfPLJeBlra

FOBS events

We have another delicious bake sale on the last day of term, what a tasty way to raise money for school. Thanks to everyone who bakes and organises these events – we're also drawing the raffle for the giant Easter eggs, fingers crossed it could be you! FOBS fundraising has so far paid for: our Christmas pantomime, all the amazing new bikes and trikes, crafting materials for Christmas craft day, part of bus costs for trips and sports, new equipment to come for EYFS and KS1, new PE and forest schools resources, new books for the library and classroom bookshelves – the list is huge, and very much appreciated. Thank you for all your support, we are so lucky to have such a dedicated PTA.



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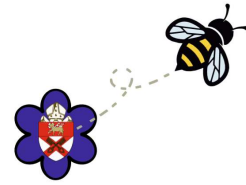




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Easter Service

It was fabulous to see the Church so full for our Easter Service last week. We always enjoy the songs and Rev James's wise words at our services – and didn't the children do well!

Sporting achievements

Our KS2 rugby teams have been out in force over the last couple of weeks and have done extremely well – Y3/4 came second and fourth and Y5/6 came first and second in our area. And on top of this, they did it with grace, good attitude and excellent sportsmanship. We heard several extremely positive reports back from the adults who saw them in action, what legends! Having attended Skipping Leader training, our fantastic Y5/6s have started a very popular weekly club which is running (and skipping...) every Friday lunchtime.

After school clubs

After school clubs will continue to run next term, the same as this term. Don't forget to book via ParentPay, particularly for Mrs Clarkson's sessions, which are proving very popular! We are moving closer to providing wraparound until 6pm and will hopefully have more on this very soon.

Parking

We are continuing to work with our local PCSO and the Parish Council to ensure that parking is safe, considerate and legal. We really appreciate you supporting us with this, as being part of the community is such an important aspect of our school ethos. Please remember not to park across driveways, T junctions or the school bus lane. Thank you.



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