



Dates for your Diary

Autumn Term 19

2 nd Oct	Church
9 th Oct	Church Harvest Festival
Wc 14 th Oct	Parental Consultations Rec-Y6
16 th -18 th Oct	Y6 Edinburgh
23 rd Oct	Church
25 th Oct	School Closes
4 th Nov	School Opens
6 th -8 th Nov	Y5 Robinwood
13 th Nov	Church
19 th Nov	Flu Vaccines
27 th Nov	Church
11 th Dec	Church
17 th Dec	Nativity Rec*/Y1/Y3/Y5 (Church)
17 th Dec	PTA Disco Key Stage 1 4.00pm-5.15pm
17 th Dec	PTA Disco Key Stage 2 5.30pm-6.45pm
19 th Dec	Nativity Rec*/Y2/Y4/Y6 (Church)
20 th Dec	School Closes
6 th Jan	School Opens
14 th Feb	School Closes
24 th Feb	School Opens
3 rd April	School Closes
20 th April	School Opens

**Please note that Reception Class will be split over two days for the Nativity Service. Mrs Wheeldon will inform parents of the exact date.*

Please Note: These dates may be subject to change

Attendance

Well done to our **Y2, Y3 & Y4 classes** who are this week's winners of our High Attendance Trophy. Our class attendance figures for this week are:

Nursery	94.47%	Rec	97.78%
Y1	98.52%	Y2	100%
Y3	100%	Y4	100%
Y5	97.78%	Y6	98.52%

Unauthorised Holidays

Rec – Y6 a total of 66 sessions, which equates to 33 days have been lost so far this academic year due to unauthorised holidays.

Nursery a total of 62 sessions which equates to 31 days have been lost so far this academic year due to unauthorised holidays.

Pupil Data Entry Forms

In order to keep our pupil data accurate all pupils, during the course of the next few weeks, will receive a new data entry form for completion. A form must be completed in full for each child. Please return your completed form as soon as possible.

School Photographer

The School's photographer will be attending school on Tuesday 15th October 2019. **ALL** pupils will have an individual photograph taken with no obligation to buy. All pupils who have a brother(s) or sister(s) in school will also have a family photograph taken, again with no obligation to buy. Unfortunately no other family group photos can be taken due to time restrictions.

Family photographs, to include pre-school age children will be taken first, starting at 9 a.m., in the school hall. Please enter with the child not attending school via main entrance.

All pupils attending school must enter school at the normal time for registration and will be collected from class if required for photographs.

Afternoon Nursery Pupils Only

Pupils starting Nursery at 12.10 p.m. will have their photograph taken during the afternoon. However, if you want a family photograph to include a pre school age child you will need to bring them along at 9am, as detailed above. If your child however wants to be included in a family photograph with other siblings currently at school can you please advise the school office so that arrangements can be made.

Dogs

Can I please remind you that dogs are not allowed on school premises at any time (not even carried) and should be kept away from pupil entrance and exit gates. This is for the health and safety reasons. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Dodds Field

It has been brought to our attention that some children have been climbing on the new goalposts on Dodds Field. To prevent any serious accidents please ensure your child is not climbing on the posts.

Water Bottles

Can we remind parents that children are not allowed to bring flavoured water or juice in their water bottles and should be plain water only. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Parentpay

A reminder that on Monday, 1st November 2019 our school will be going live with Parentpay. This system will allow parents to pay and consent for trips, book childcare and meal sessions and much more. This will mean there will no longer be the need for children to bring cash into school. It also allows for parents who do not have a bank account to be able to make payments at a local Pay Point. **All accounts including lunch and supervision accounts MUST be paid up to date on or before Friday 18th October 2019. A text will be sent today if your account is in debit or credit. Any credits on the system will be refunded on Friday 24th October and sent home with your child.**

Safeguarding

Please can I remind you that parents/guardians /family members **MUST** not enter school via any pupil entrance/ cloak room at the beginning or the end of the school day, as this constitutes a safeguarding issue for all children. If you need to speak to a member of staff please speak to the adults on duty at the gate or make an appointment at the main office. If family members drop off children please can you pass this message on to them.

Cross Country

On Wednesday this week, 19 pupils competed in a Cross Country event held at Dyke House School. All of the participants did extremely well and Amy (Y6) and Bobby (Y4) managed to qualify for the Tees Valley finals. A huge well done to everyone taking part in this event.

Scooter Store

We are pleased to inform you that our new scooter stores have arrived and are now ready for use. Parents of children wishing to ride and store their scooter at school must complete a scooter contract which agrees that a helmet will be worn and that a lock will also be provided. Scooter contracts are available from the main reception area. Can we also ask that pupils dismount their scooters before reaching the school gates and do not ride them into or out of the playground. This is for the safety of all pedestrians. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank our PTA for the funds raised, alongside school, to purchase the new scooter pods.