



Learning for Life

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Pupil- Parent Council Meeting

1.15pm Thursday 1st October

We will be planning those 'extra' school events for the year, such as discos and sponsored events. Come along if you're interested; for tea/coffee... and to share some ideas.

Holidays in Term Time

To borrow a well known phrase,
"Please do not ask, as refusal often offends".

In line with national legislation, I am not allowed to permit holidays for children during term time, or even day trips. The school's overall attendance dropped last year from the top 20% of schools nationally, for the first time in 3 years so this is something I will be enforcing robustly this year.

Charity

Our sponsored walk last year raised a large sum of money once again. We have donated **£300** of this money to Cancer Research, a charity I know many of our families support.

You will have recently received a letter asking you to confirm your consent for various aspects of your child's school life, such as local walks and use of the internet.

In the past we have sent this to parents every year. From now on, you will only need to do this once, with the understanding that parents will inform school, should their preferences for such consent change in the future.

Please return these to school, deleting the appropriate yes/no sections. Thank you

Does your child go swimming during school time?

If they do, please ensure their earrings are removed completely for swimming.
If your child cannot do this themselves they will not be permitted to swim by staff at Skipton Leisure Centre. Due to the fiddly and delicate nature of removing earrings, staff can't be held responsible for doing this. Girls should also wear a full swimsuit.

Parent Consultations

Please note the change of date for Parents Evening. The days when you will be able to chat to your child's Classteacher will be Tuesday 3rd and Wednesday 5th November.
Apologies for any inconvenience this change may have caused

Healthy Eating

As you may recall from last year, as part of our work in promoting healthy lifestyles, **children are only permitted to bring either fruit or vegetable for morning snack.**

Last year there was some confusion over what was and what was not permitted; this was made doubly hard by the high sugar content of many 'healthy snacks' such as cereal bars and processed fruit products which children were bringing.

We feel that by allowing fruit or vegetables and no processed or packet snacks, we can ensure clarity for parents and that all our children are eating healthily during the day. **Thank you**



Bobbins after School Activities

Mrs Felgate and Mrs Smith offer a range of fun activities throughout the week. Bobbins is very popular these days, so booking ahead is a good idea. Sessions cost £5, include a snack and drink and run until 5.30pm.

BOBBIN contact number: 07706 - 467385
Between 3.00pm and 5.30pm

Monday
Construction Day

Tuesday
Arts Day

Wednesday
Free Play

Thursday
Craft Day

Friday
DVD Day



Keeping your child safe on the internet

E-safety is vitally important to ensure children stay safe on-line. To learn more about the risks facing our children when they use computers, please log on to <http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk>

Other useful websites you might like to visit:

<http://support.xbox.com/en-GB/xbox-live/online-privacy-and-safety/online-safety>

<http://www.childnet.com/ufiles/Parent-Factsheet-0413.pdf>

<http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/ufiles/Facebook-checklist-Nov2013.pdf>

<http://www.digizen.org/downloads/cyberbullyingOverview.pdf>

<http://www.connectsafely.org/guides-2/>

Child Exploitation and Online Protection (CEOP) is a police agency tackling child abuse on the internet.

This website includes a unique facility that enables parents and young people to make reports of actual or attempted abuse online. www.ceop.police.uk

Your support for your child's education is crucial to their progress. Please tell us if there are any adjustments we need to make to help you support your child, for example: letters in large font; letters in different languages; wheelchair access; explaining things over the phone; a discussion with a school colleague of the same gender.

Head lice

Head lice ('nits') are unfortunate visitors in all schools from time to time. If your child's class is affected, please can we request that you are highly vigilant and respond accordingly?

Head lice can take a lot of effort to get rid of through combing and using medicated shampoo. Put simply, it takes *all* parents to be as vigilant as each other to ensure they are eradicated completely.

If your child has headlice, please let us know.