



Filey Junior School

Widening horizons and reaching our potential whilst respecting the world and each other,
within a happy, healthy and positive learning community

27th September 2019

I regret to have to inform you that we had a serious incident outside school earlier this week, with one of our children being hit by a car. Fortunately, the injuries were not too serious but I think we all need to take this as a reminder of how dangerous the busy road outside school can be and how we can all do our bit to improve safety. Please avoid parking outside school and ensure that if you do need to bring a car, you drive very slowly on the roads around school. We will, of course, be giving the children some road safety messages in school over the coming weeks.

Dates:

Y3 & Y4 Homework Info (Chromebooks, Reading, Athletics)

Tuesday 1st Oct 3:40 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Y5 & Y6 Homework Info (Chromebooks, Reading, Manga High)

Thursday 3rd Oct 3:40 pm and 6:00 pm

Parents' Evening

Wednesday 16th Oct 4pm - 6pm (and morning slots throughout the week)

Last day of term

Friday 25th Oct

School Opens

Monday 4th Nov

Flu immunisation

Thursday 14th Nov

The Great Outdoors

I am very pleased to tell you that we recently won a Gold award in Filey in Bloom for our wildflower meadow area - quite an achievement for our young gardeners! Now that the weather is getting rather changeable however, please remind children to bring their coats and wear sensible shoes as we do try to get the children outside for some fresh air at break times whenever possible. We also have lots of lost property at the moment but the lack of names in clothing makes it very difficult to return these to the children - please try to ensure all belongings are clearly named.

Holidays in Term Time

We have had a significant increase in the number of parents taking children out of school for holidays. Whilst we acknowledge the difficulties, statutory guidance means we are unable to authorise these absence in all but the most exceptional of circumstances.

Governing Body Vacancies

We currently have an exciting vacancy to join the school's governing body. The post involves attending six meetings throughout the year and getting to know the school, its staff and pupils in order to build a constructive and supportive knowledge of the school. If you are interested in contributing to the direction and running of the school, please call and we can give you some extra details about the role and the school.

Breaktime Snacks and Lunchbox Treats

As you are no-doubt aware, we run a very popular Breakfast Bar and Tuck Shop at school where children can purchase a range of fruit, healthy snacks and drinks for 25p per item. Children may, of course, bring their own snacks but we can only allow fruit as there is often confusion about biscuits, cake bars, chocolate etc. We acknowledge that children may like to bring a treat to have with their lunch and this is perfectly acceptable, but we would ask that you limit this to just one treat.

School Day

We have a number of children arriving before the gate opens at 8.30 in the morning for Breakfast Bar. We are unable to supervise children at this point in the day and there is, therefore, a safety issue for children who arrive before school opens. Similarly, school closes at 3:30pm and children should be collected promptly. School gates are closed at 3:40pm and any children not collected at this point will need to be picked up from the school office.

Threadworms and Headlice

Unfortunately, we've had reports of both of these unwanted guests and whilst both are common in children, they are also easily treated and there is no need for children to be absent from school.

Mr H McCarthey and staff.