

Weetwood School News

'Be Ready, Be Respectful, Be Safe'

Positivity, Respect, Inclusivity, Determination, Excellence

Dear Parent/Carers,

School life is picking up momentum as we head in to October. Over the next month there will be parents evening and SEND parents evening and a variety of sports events and harvest - Dojo will have the most up to date information.

For the families that are new to us, we split parents evening for SEND pupils, this allows us to allocate more time to discuss how your child has settled in to school and what their targets are. SEND parents evening is Wednesday 15th October and parents evening is on Wednesday 22nd and Thursday 23rd of October.

EUROPEAN LANGUAGES DAY

Last week we celebrated European Languages Day across school. Each year group studied a country, dressing in the colours of the flag, they learnt some of the language and tasted some of the traditional foods associated with the country.

Languages day gives us an opportunity to immerse the children in the culture of the country.

BEHAVIOUR

Behaviour is an objective on our school development plan this year. We really want to focus on low level behaviours and how the children play and interact with one another in school. Since the beginning of the term, we have been working on the school promise 'Be ready, Be respectful, Be safe' with the children. Over the coming weeks, we're focusing on being safe, particularly 'keeping hands, feet and objects to ourselves'. After observing play and conduct around school, there is a lot of play that involves jumping on each other, dragging each other around and general rough play. Although this is innocent for many, this can quickly lead to children being unintentionally hurt. This is similar when the children are moving around school and lining up, they are constantly touching and grabbing each other, some children don't mind it but others don't like it at all. We are encouraging children to line up with their hands by their sides.

In school, we are tackling this through PSHE lessons about personal space, and how we can be respectful of other people's personal space. Teachers are also teaching the children games to play in the playground that are inclusive and keep the children occupied. As well as this, some staff will be organising small games at lunchtime for the children to get involved with. We also offer lunchtime



clubs every lunchtime to reduce the amount of children on the playground as well as giving the children alternative options to playing outside.

How can you help?

Please talk to your child about safe play and discourage rough play at home when they are playing with siblings and cousins. Please also remind your child about personal space and that not everyone likes to be touched. With the older children we have talked a little about consent and how we can ask someone for a hug, for example, rather than just giving one.

Finally, we talk about 'Being Ready' for school and learning. When your child is dropped off in the morning, please encourage them to head promptly to their teacher to line up or go inside, stay off the equipment and be 'ready' for the day ahead. A calm start makes a big difference to the way the children enter school ready for the day ahead. We are aware of the children that struggle to come to school and we are always happy to help with this. We really appreciate your help with this, thank you.

FOOTBALL

Yesterday, some pupils for Year 5 and 6 headed to Ireland Wood to play their first U11 boys football match. Unfortunately, we lost the match, however there was some great talent on show and the boys all worked really hard and kept their heads high. Joseph scored a great goal, and Emil was nominated as coach's player of the match. Well done everyone.

Next week the U11 girls play their first league match. There is a keen interest from both girls and boys to play football in the team, I have a list of children and will endeavour to give them an opportunity throughout the year. We hope to run a football club for year 5 and 6 beginners after school in the coming months and there is also 'We make Footballers' (<https://www.wemakefootballers.com/north-leeds>) for girls and boys at all abilities which is run by an ex-parent and Weetwood Blaze continue to recruit for girls.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Harvest assembly will take place on Friday 24th October at 2pm. Please note that there will be no Wizard and Superstars assembly on this day. We invite parents from Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 to come and watch their children perform in the Harvest assembly. Please use the WOOSC entrance.

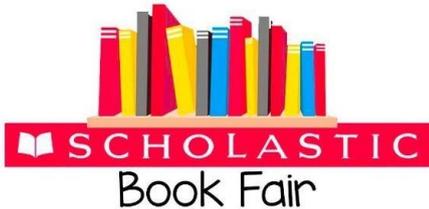


This year we will be having a Harvest food collection for St Vincent's Leeds, who reached out to school to ask for support with their Harvest appeal this year. They are asking for donations of cereal, UHT milk, tinned meat, tinned vegetables, tinned fruit, biscuits, flavoured rice and microwave pasta and rice. (Please see the attached flyer).

Please send all donations into school on the morning of Friday 24th October. Do not send food before this date as we do not have room to store it.

The Book Fair and Big Draw

I am delighted to inform you that the Weetwood Book Fair is back and will run from Monday 13th October to Thursday 16th October. The opening times will be between 8:30am and 8:45am on a morning and 3:15pm and 3:30pm on an evening. On a morning, please use the Weetwood Lane gate and enter the hall using the covered court doors. The book fair will be cashless you will need a smart phone and debit or credit card to pay for the books you purchase.



When you buy books from the book fair the school receives reward points and this enables us to buy books to support the curriculum. Last year we raised over £1000 for school so your support is really appreciated.

The book fair also coincides with The Big Draw in school and we would like to invite you in to the hall to take part in some art activities with your child/ren. The focus of The Big Draw this year is 'Drawn Together'. This will take place on Monday 13th October and Thursday 16th October in the morning between 8:30am and 8:45am.



We look forward to seeing you all in the book fair.

PTA - UPDATE

The PTA have decided to try something a little bit different this year and will be holding a Christmas Market on Friday 28th November from 7pm until 9pm in the School Hall. If you know of any one who would be interested in having a stall then please ask them to email weetwoodpta@yahoo.com. As well as market stalls there will be Weetwoodies Bar, some snacks and possibly a wreath making workshop. Please keep an eye out for more details.



GDPR

We always want to make sure we have your most up to date preferences when it comes pupil GDPR. If you are new to the school or would like to change your GDPR preferences then please complete the following Google Form: <https://forms.gle/9WWmCMoXrbacS6rb9>.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

New dates in Red

Diary Dates 2025.26			
September	October	November	December
<p>Tuesday 2nd September: School opens to pupils.</p> <p>Wednesday 10th September: Curriculum Open Evening (4-5.30pm)</p> <p>Wednesday 24th September: Reception/Year 1 Phonics information evening.</p> <p>Friday 26th September: European languages day.</p> <p>Monday 29th September: Flu Spray</p>	<p>Tuesday 7th October: Year 5 Trip to Lotherton Hall</p> <p>Wednesday 8th October: Individual Photographs</p> <p>Friday 10th October: PTA School Disco</p> <p>W.C. 13th October: Book fair in school.</p> <p>W.C 15th October: SEND Parents meetings</p> <p>Wednesday 22nd and Thursday 23rd October: Parents evening</p> <p>Thursday 23rd October: Year 6 Trip to Abbey House Museum and Kirkstall Abbey</p> <p>W.C 27th October: Half term holidays</p>	<p>Monday 3rd November: Training Day.</p> <p>Tuesday 4th November: Pupils return to school.</p> <p>W.C 10th November: Anti-Bullying Week</p> <p>Wednesday 12th November: Share our Learning.</p> <p>Friday 14th November: Children in Need.</p> <p>Wednesday 19th November: Year 1 Trip to Abbey House Museum</p>	<p>Tuesday 16th December: 9.15am – EYFS Christmas Show. 2.15pm – KS1 Christmas Show</p> <p>Wednesday 17th December: 9.15am – KS1 Christmas Show. 2.15pm – EYFS Christmas Show</p> <p>Thursday 18th December: -KS2 Christmas Music Show.</p> <p>Friday 19th December: School closes for the Christmas holidays.</p>
January	February	March	
<p>Monday 5th January All pupils return to school.</p> <p>Tuesday 20th January Year 4 Lineham Farm parents meeting 5pm</p>	<p>Saturday 1st February: PTA Quiz and Curry Night</p> <p>Wednesday 4th February: Share Our Learning</p> <p>Monday 9th – 11th February: Lineham Farm for Year 4.</p> <p>Friday 13th February: School Closes for half term.</p> <p>Monday 23rd February: All pupils return to school</p>	<p>Thursday 5th March: World Book Day</p> <p>Wednesday 18th March: SEND Parents Evening</p> <p>Monday 23rd March: Year 4 Trip to Elland Road (am)</p>	
April	May	June	July
<p>Thursday 2nd April: School closes for Easter Holiday</p> <p>Monday 20th April: All pupils return to school</p> <p>Progress reports to parents.</p> <p>Wednesday 22nd and Thursday 23rd April: Parents evening.</p>	<p>Monday 4th May: May Day Bank Holiday.</p> <p>W/C Monday 11th - Year 6 SATs Week</p> <p>Wednesday 20th May: Class Photos.</p> <p>Thursday 21st May: Share Our Learning</p> <p>Thursday 22nd May: School closes to all pupils.</p> <p>Friday 22nd May: Teacher training day.</p>	<p>Monday 1st June: All pupils return to school</p> <p>W.C. Monday 1st June: Multiplication Check Year 4</p> <p>W.C. Monday 8th June: Phonics screening Year 1</p> <p>Friday 19th June: Poetry Slam Assembly (2pm)</p> <p>Wednesday 24th June – Friday 26th June: Edale Residential (Y6)</p>	<p>Friday 3th July: Sports Day and PTA Picnic.</p> <p>Thursday 9th July: Music Show.</p> <p>Friday 10th July: Reports for all pupils to go home</p> <p>Saturday 11th July: Year 6 Party</p> <p>Sunday 12th July: PTA School Summer Fair</p> <p>Wednesday 15th July: Year 6 show</p> <p>Friday 18th July: Y6 Leavers Assembly(AM)</p> <p>Friday 18th July: School closes to all pupils</p>