

Weetwood School News

Newsletter 1

Dear Parent/Carers,

Happy new school year! It has been great to welcome our children back to school over the last two weeks. There has been a lovely atmosphere in school, everyone is looking fresh in their new uniform and ready to learn. I would like to extend the welcome to the new reception children as well as the new faces across school and their parents who are joining us at Weetwood. Reception have settled in to life at Weetwood, it's been a smooth transition for them all.

ROCKET ROOM AND STAR SPACE

We are also very excited to launch our new rooms this term. We have the Rocket room that is used to support our children with SEND needs as well as small groups and the Star Space (formally known as the Thrive room) to support children with their social and emotional needs. As you may be aware from previous newsletters, Miss Wynne will be supporting children in the Rocket room and Mrs Watkins in Star Space.



ATTENDANCE

We have had great attendance over the last two weeks in school. Thank you to all the families and children who have been bringing their children to school on time. It really makes a difference to the start of the day if the children are here on time and ready to learn. As we enter the season for coughs and sniffles, it is important that your child still attends school even if they have a cold. If we think they are too unwell to be at school, we will send them

home. Please see the article below to help you decide if your child is well enough for school. (<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>).

PACKED LUNCHES

Thank you to all the parents and children who have read and taken time to review the lunchbox policy I sent at the end of the term. We have been spot checking packed lunches over the week and there is a good variety for the children, some of the lunches look delicious! Please can I remind you that as per the policy, there should only be one sweet treat in your child's lunchbox. We will continue to work with the children regarding food nutrition in PE and science.



If your child has a school dinner, please can I remind you to pre-order using School Grid before they come to school.

LINEHAM FARM

For several years, Year 4 have visited Lineham Farm for a two-night residential during the Spring term.



The residential provides children with the opportunities to try new things, develop resilience, work as a team, enjoy the countryside and most of all have lots of fun. Lineham Farm has recently been taken over by Leeds Children's Charity and the way in which they take bookings has changed. The charity aims to provide children from disadvantaged backgrounds this experience at a reduced cost. They also support and work closely with other vulnerable young people such as young carers by providing respite.

Weetwood does not fall in to the demographic required by the charity to qualify for a place, however, due to the excellent relationships we have with the team at Lineham, they have still offered us the opportunity to visit. We are very grateful that we can make this happen next year for children in Year 4. This year Lineham Farm are celebrating their 30th birthday. The charity is trying to raise money to set up a campsite at Lineham Farm to offer a new experience for all children who visit. Over the coming year we hope to raise money to support this charity so our children can help contribute to making sure other children get to experience the wonders of Lineham Farm like they will. The fundraising will begin with a whole school non – uniform day on **Friday 27th October** – further information will follow.

Finally, I would like to thank you again for your response to yesterday's incident. It really helped us that you supported us with our procedures. I hope you have a great weekend and

enjoy some downtime before another busy school week. The diary dates have been updated with trips and visits, please ensure that you make a note of these on your calendars.

Kind regards,

Mrs Ellison

DATES FOR THE DIARY

September	October	November	December
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<p>Monday 18th September: Year 2 Curriculum Evening (5pm-5.30pm)</p> <p>Wednesday 27th September: European languages day</p> <p>Wednesday 27th September: Nursery, Reception, Year 1- Phonics Information evening. (5pm-6pm)</p> <p>Thursday 28th September: Individual Photographs</p>	<p>Monday 9th October: Year 5 Trip to Lotherton Hall</p> <p>Wednesday 11th October: Year 6 Trip to Abbey House Museum</p> <p>W.C. 16th October: Book fair in school.</p> <p>W.C 16th October: SEND Parents meetings</p> <p>Monday 23rd October: Year 3 Trip to Herd Farm</p> <p>Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th October Parents evening</p> <p>Friday 27th October: Non-Uniform Day to raise money for Leeds Children's Charity</p> <p>Harvest Assembly (Reception and KS1) School closes for Half-Term</p> <p>W.C 30st October: Half term holiday</p>	<p>Monday 6th November: All pupils return to school.</p> <p>Thursday 9th November: Flu spray vaccinations in school.</p> <p>Friday 10th November: PTA Disco (6pm-8pm)</p> <p>Saturday 11th November: Pre-School Open Morning (10am-12noon)</p> <p>W.C 13th November: Anti-Bullying Week</p> <p>Wednesday 15th November: Reception 2024 Open Morning (9.30-11.30) Pre-School Open Evening (3.30-5.30)</p> <p>Friday 17th November: Children in Need.</p> <p>Wednesday 22nd November: Share Our Learning (9am-10am) Year 3 Teddy Bear Hospital visit in school (PM)</p> <p>Thursday 30th November: Christmas Pantomime (PM)</p>	<p>Tuesday 5th December: Year 5 – Piece Museum</p> <p>Wednesday 6th December: Year 1 Trip to Middleton Railway Year 2 Teddy Bear Hospital visit in school (PM)</p> <p>Thursday 14th December: Year 6 Trip to see Oliver at Leeds Playhouse</p> <p>Tuesday 19th December: KS1 Christmas Show (2.15pm)</p> <p>Wednesday 20th December: -Reception & Preschool Nativity (9.30am) -KS2 Music and Carol Concert (2.15pm)</p> <p>Thursday 21st December: -KS2 Music and Carol Concert (2.15pm)</p> <p>Friday 22nd December: School closes for the Christmas holidays.</p>
<p>January</p> <p>Monday 8th January All pupils return to school.</p>	<p>February</p> <p>Monday 5th-Wednesday 7th February: Lineham Farm (Y4)</p>	<p>March</p> <p>Monday 4th March: Year 6 Trip to Magna</p>	

<p>Tuesday 23rd January Year 4 Lineham Farm parents meeting 5pm</p> <p>Wednesday 31st January School nurses -Year 6 and Reception height and weight check.</p>	<p>Friday 9th February: School Closes for half term.</p> <p>Monday 19th February: Teacher training Day.</p> <p>Tuesday 20th February: All pupils return to school Progress reports to parents.</p> <p>Wednesday 21st and Thursday 22nd: Parents evening.</p>	<p>Thursday 7th March: World Book Day</p> <p>Wednesday 20th March: Share our Learning.</p> <p>Thursday 28th March: School closes for all pupils.</p>	
April	May	June	July
<p>Monday 15th April: All pupils return to school.</p>	<p>Monday 6st May: May Day Bank Holiday.</p> <p>W/C Monday 13th- Year 6 SATs Week</p> <p>Thursday 23rd May: School closes to all pupils.</p> <p>Friday 24th May: Teacher training day.</p>	<p>Monday 3rdth June: All pupils return to school</p> <p>W.C. Monday 3rd June: Multiplication Check Year 4</p> <p>W.C. Monday 10^h June: Phonics screening Year 1</p> <p>Monday 10th- Wednesday 12th: Yr. 6 trip to Edale</p> <p>Wednesday 19th June: Share Our Learning</p> <p>Friday 21rd June: Poetry Slam Assembly (2pm)</p> <p>Friday 28th June: Sports Day</p>	<p>Thursday 11th July: Music Show</p> <p>Friday 12th July: Reports for all pupils to go home</p> <p>Tuesday 16th July: Year 6 show</p> <p>Wednesday 17th July: Open evening for all parents</p> <p>Friday 19th July: Y6 Leavers Assembly</p> <p>Friday 19th July: School closes to all pupils</p>