



Thursday 9th June 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

Visits

It has been wonderful to see the children so excited for their curriculum visits this week. Year 3 and Year 1 both had wonderful days at the Yorkshire Wildlife Park with different learning for the children to focus on. In both cases, the children's conduct was exemplary creating a fabulous impression of our school. Next week, we look forward to the Year 2 classes visiting Cleethorpes and hope the sun shines again.

Term Dates 2022/23

The term dates for next year are shown on the attached form. In September, we will provide an overview of the year with significant events such as sports days, Nativities etc so that families are aware of the exciting events which the children will be able to take part in throughout the year.

Reports

The end of year reports for 2021/22 will be sent home on 11.07.22 and will provide a snapshot of your child's year focusing on them as a person and their achievements as well as their academic progress. This year, there are a few changes we have been asked to make by the Department of Education. Attendance as a percentage is back on the report but we won't categorise this attendance figure on the report as a result of the impact of Covid-19 earlier in the year. As well as this, if your child is working below the expected level in a core curriculum area, staff will briefly comment on the catch-up strategies we have used. As always, we will welcome your feedback on the reports through Microsoft Forms and there will be opportunities to have discussions with staff if you wish to do this.

Staffing

In September, four of our current staff will begin new chapters. Mrs Payne will be moving to work in her home village at Thorpe Hesley Primary School. Mr Bletcher has accepted a Year 5 class teacher position at Lacewood Primary. Finally, Miss Taylor will become a Level 3 Teaching Assistant at Mexborough St Johns. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all three members of staff for their dedication to the children over a number of years at our school and the value they have added to the year groups they have worked in and the wider staff team. In September Mrs Gill, who has worked brilliantly in Year 1 this year, and Katie Bramall will join our teaching team as permanent members of staff. We are excited for Mrs Gill to continue her excellent work from this year and for Katie Bramall to bring her experience of developing her practice at a very successful school. Finally, Mrs Newton will start her maternity leave in the middle of September. We are very excited for her and her family to be starting this most amazing chapter of their lives. Miss Ball will replace Mrs Newton for the duration of her maternity leave in the higher-level teaching assistant role.

If you have any questions about the items in this newsletter, please contact me via the school telephone number of 01709 760471 or by emailing school@wce.jmat.org.uk.

Yours sincerely

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