



## Weekly Newsletter



Autumn term – Issue 03 – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

This morning we held our House Captain hustings and the Y6 pupils who were standing for election gave their persuasive speech in assembly this morning to the whole school. Then at break-time this morning all children were able to vote for their house captain. The votes have been counted and verified and so I am delighted to announce that:

**House Captain for Hill is : Sid**

**Vice-Captain is : Millie**

**House Captain for Dale is : Freya**

**Vice-Captain is : Rachel**

**House Captain for Fell is : Frankie**

**Vice-Captain is : Matthew**



Congratulations to our newly elected house representatives. Their first assignment will be to film a guided tour of the school for parents.

Enjoy your weekend.

Miss Vasey

## Star Learners for this week

Class 1 – **Reuben** for building up his confidence in his Year 1 learning and responding well to support with this. **Archie** for working well on writing his own sentences and trying hard to improve them.

Class 2 – **Ocean** for his amazing effort in our maths lessons on 100 more and 100 less and for pushing himself, well done! **Layla** for her enthusiasm in our guided reading sessions, well done! 😊

Class 3 – **Leonardo** for his thoughtful towards his self-portrait. **Chloe** for her Kenning (poem) about her dad.

## Weekly Attendance

Current whole school attendance: 96.64%

Well done, everyone!



## Deadlines and Reminders

### Class 2

Please can all children in Class 2 bring their reading books and yellow reading records in every day please. Reading is a class focus for us this year and we would love to hear your child read and watch them as their reading progresses. Thank you, Miss Thistlethwaite.

### Class 3

Please can children bring their spelling books into school on a Thursday for their weekly test. Thank you, Miss Vasey.

### School Uniform

Some of the above uniform can be obtained from the school shop website e.g. sweatshirts, polo shirts and baseball caps. - **School Uniform – Website – [www.school-shop.co.uk](http://www.school-shop.co.uk)**

## Clubs

### After School Sports Clubs for Autumn Term

**Friday** – Multi-Skills for all children

3.15pm – 4.30pm starting **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2021**

Children will already be in their PE kits however, if they wish to bring additional layers/football boots they can – in a small bag.

**If your child signs up to a club, we expect them to attend every week unless they are ill, or something crops up unexpectedly. If they are unable to attend the club, it is parents'/carers' responsibility to let the office know, not the child's. Thank you for your support with this.**

## School Office Update

### **Up-to-date Pupil Contact and Medical Information**

Please ensure you inform Dawn in the office of any change of contact or medical information, via Scholarpack ParentApp preferably. It is very important school are kept up to date so we can safeguard your child. The easiest way to check the details we hold for your child is to download the Parents App - search 'ScholarPack Parents' App on Apple and Google app stores, then download. Once you have installed the app and opened it on your phone, click 'let's get started'. You will be prompted to enter a link-up code and your mobile number.

**ALL parents need to check the information we hold for your child, especially before the CENSUS in October. Thank you.**

### **Taxis**

If your child is not going on the taxi, for whatever reason, please could you let the taxi driver know, so they are not sat waiting to collect children. Thank you

### **SCHOOL MEALS**

**Please ensure you don't have any arrears on Parentpay, all dinner monies should be paid in advance** on a Monday for the week/term ahead (lunches are free for children in Reception Y1 and Y2 and £2.50 per day for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6). If your child has milk, and they are aged 5 and over, (Milk is free up to the child's 5th birthday) the money must be paid via COOLMILK on the **Tuesday before**.

Thank you for your co-operation with this matter.

### **Free School Meals Eligibility**

Free school meals are available for children whose parents meet the criteria. Please visit [www.northyorks.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals](http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals) to check if you are eligible.

## Diary of Events

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> September – Kurling workshops for all classes

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> October – Class 3 residential trip to Dukeshouse

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October – Y3/4 Boy's football at Leyburn Primary

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October – School photos – Individuals and family

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October – Headteacher from Wensleydale School to talk to Y6 pupils

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October – Y5/6 Boy's football at Leyburn Primary

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October – Finish for half term

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November – Training Day

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November – Children return to school

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> November – Y5/6 Girl's football at Leyburn Primary

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November – Flu immunisation for children in Reception to Y6

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November – Bags2School

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December – Finish at 2pm for Christmas

## Community News

### UWNL Children's Story Writing Competition

The theme for the competition this year 'what it is like to live in the time of a pandemic'.

There are two age categories; 7-9 and 10-11 year olds. The inner in each age group will receive a £50 book voucher and a trophy to keep and the runner up will receive a £25 book voucher and a certificate.



Each child in KS2 has been given a leaflet explain in further detail. All entries need to be emailed to [uwnlinput@gmail.com](mailto:uwnlinput@gmail.com) by Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October.

Good luck!

### Neighbourhood Watch Report

We've been made aware that fraudsters are posing as TV engineers and offering to help local residents retune their TV's following the Bilsdale mast fire for a fee of £200. **We've been advised that this is not legitimate activity and advise you not to accept unsolicited offers of help.**

**If anyone knocks on your door to offer this service, do not let them into your home and do not give them any money.**

Arqiva, the company which owns the Bilsdale mast, has informed us they are developing an official support plan with local organisations and we will share details of this when they are finalised.

If anyone approaches you at your home and you are concerned, do not let them in and call the police on 101 to report this.

Please share this message with friends, family and networks who may not use social media or be part of online networks and help us to keep everyone safe from these scammers.

## Health and Safety Information

### Need to know more about e-safety?

It's always helpful to know where to go to get information. If you want to know more about e-safety you can of course ask at school, but you could go online and have a look at the websites below, for information applicable to all ages of children and young adults. Contact: Think 'U' Know [http:// www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk) Kid Smart <http://www.kidsmart.org.uk/>

### **MEDICINES**

Please can we remind parents that any medication needs to be handed into the office and a parental permission form needs to be completed. We are not permitted to administer any medication without this, and children must not have medication i.e. creams, tablets, Calpol etc. in their bags in case other children access them. Thank you for your support in this matter.

## School Website Update

Our school milk scheme is administered by Cool Milk. To register your child for school milk, please visit <https://www.coolmilk.com/register>

If your child is under 5 they will have been registered using the bulk registration process but **parents still need to register using the form/website**. They will then get an e-mail when their child turns 5 reminding to make payment for milk when their child turns 5, in line with School Food Plan legislation.

There are also links to Parentpay and Cool Milk on the home page. **Please remember not to pay for milk if you are going on holiday as they do not give refunds**. You need to pay for dinners and milk in advance.

Dinner menus are on the website or you can use the NYCC link

<https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/school-meals> Holiday dates are also on the website for parents to refer to. There is also a link for a free school meals application, **please apply if you are eligible as school gets an amount per child to assist with their learning and to help with the cost of trips**.

---