

Pudsey Tyersal Primary School Newsletter

Friday 7th October 2016

Dates for your Diary

Year 5/6 trip to Thackray Medical Museum
Roald Dahl Day – dress up as your favourite character
2pm – Friends of Pudsey Tyersal Meeting – all welcome
Year 6 - Bikeability
School Closes for half term
TRAINING DAY FOR STAFF – School Closed to pupils
School Re-opens
TRAINING DAY FOR STAFF – School Closed to pupils
School Closes for Christmas

Cake & Coffee Morning – in aid of The Stroke Association

Thank you for all your donations in aid of The Stroke Association. We managed to raise an incredible £105! Thank you to everyone involved.

Year 5 / 6 Mad Hatters Tea Party

Thank you for all your donations for our Mad Hatters Tea Party today. We have raised some funds for Diabetes UK – we raised an amazing £137!! Thank you to everyone involved.

Friends of Pudsey Tyersal Primary

A number of parents have approached us about the possibility of setting up a group of parents to organise some fundraising activities in school. We will be holding a meeting on **Friday 14**th **October** at 2pm in school. All parents and carers are welcome to attend, please come along no matter what support you would be able to offer. If you can't attend this date, please leave your contact details at the Main Office in school and we can ensure you are kept informed about future meetings.

Harvest Week

We will be running events in school to celebrate Harvest Week during the first week back after half term (W/c 31st October). The theme for this year will be "Food from Around The World". Letters home will follow in the next couple of weeks.

Roald Dahl Day – Friday 14th October

On Friday 14th October we are inviting children to come to school dressed up as their favourite Roald Dahl character. Alternatively, we would like children to come dressed in Roald Dahl's favourite colour – yellow. We look forward to seeing the children in their imaginative costumes!

Halloween Disco - Fri 21st October

We are holding a Halloween disco on the last day of term -21^{st} October 2016. Children are invited to dress up in their scariest Halloween costume! A letter will be sent out today.

Wasps

We have noticed recently that there are a number of wasps flying around the school playground. We have thoroughly checked the trees, hedges and the adjoining field but cannot locate a wasp's nest.

We think it may be due to the time of year when the wasps start to die out. Please can you be vigilant when you are in the school playground or surrounding areas.

Road Safety

There are a number of children coming to school on bikes and scooters who don't wear a safety helmet. As a school, we would advise that children wear a safety helmet whilst riding. Please talk to your child about the route they take and how they can limit dangers including road safety awareness. Year 6 will be learning about how to safely ride their bike on the road this term.

Supervision Responsibilities – Before and After School

The school gate to the main playground opens at 8.30am for parents/carers and children. However, there will be no supervision of children until 8.40am when the Pastoral Team will be in the playground as well as Walking Bus members of staff. At the end of the day there will be supervision by school staff between 3.00pm – 3.10pm. After this time there will be no supervision for children in the playground. Additionally there will be no supervision for children playing on any playground equipment before and after school. This will also apply to any siblings or children who don't attend our school. This notice is given as a disclaimer and is in the interests of the Health & Safety of the children.

Punctuality & Attendance

Please note that the doors to allow children into school on a morning open at 8.45am. The doors will close at 8.55am and in the interests of safety the main gate through to the playground will be locked at 8.55am. Any children who arrive after 8.55am are classed as late and must sign in through the main entrance. It is very important that children attend school every day on time. If your child is ill, please phone school on 01274 662363 and leave a message. If you don't call in on the day your child is unwell, the absence may be unauthorised.

Give it 100% - for the parents!!

Every child who attends school every day between Mon 10th Oct – Fri 21st Oct will be entered into a special prize draw. This time, there will be prizes for the parents too because we recognise all the effort you put into ensuring your child(ren) are in school every day. The winners will be announced after half term on Friday 4th November. Good Luck!!

Attendance figures

Our school attendance target is 96%

Class	W/C 19 th Sep 2016	W/C 26 th Sep 2016
Reception	97.7%	94.2%
Year 1	94.8%	94.4%
Year 2	95.9%	94.8%
Year 3	98.3%	94.0%
Year 4	94.3%	97.8%
Year 5	91.5%	92.6%
Year 6	94.8%	97.7%
WHOLE SCHOOL	95.3%	95.0%

Classes who achieve 96% or over receive an extra playtime! Well done to Reception, Year 3, Year 4 & Year 6!

From this term we are running an incentive to improve attendance in school. At the end of each term, any child who has had 98% attendance (or above) will be entered into a prize draw (to be drawn out at random) to win one of the following prizes:

£10 Icestone Gelato Ice cream parlour voucher, £10 Harvester voucher, Meal for 2 at the Toby Carvery in Horsforth