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Healthy Eating Launch Day

Thursday 19th September was the launch of our whole school topic for this year; Me and My World. Over the next 3 terms, children will deepen their understanding about making healthy lifestyle choices and the role that they can play in protecting our planet. The first event was our healthy eating day. Children were challenged to design a range of healthy snacks that if possible, could incorporate food that will be growing this year in our school garden. The recipes could then be used later when the fruit and vegetables have been harvested.

We had a wide range of different options from fruit salads to vegetable frittata muffins and all else in between, with each child making their own particular snack or dinner based on the chosen class recipes.

Once these had been enjoyed they had the chance to visit the Neptune Healthy Cafe that was run by the children of year 6, where they could sample some of the other dishes made across the school.

The children had a fantastic time, designing, creating and eating all of the healthy foods and showed an excellent understanding of the need to make healthy food choices to support our growth and development. Thank you to Mrs Hockley for organising this wonderful launch event and the year 6 children for the great cafe experience. A special mention also to Edward who brought in some home grown marrows to add to our dishes. Once the recipe book is compiled, we will notify you when it is available of the school website.



Paperless Newsletters

As a school, we are now able to send letters and information home from school via email. We are eager to reduce our carbon footprint and to use less paper and printing resources. Many parents have already supplied their school email address and we have this on file. If you have not given your email but would like to receive letters electronically, please pass this on to a member of the office staff who will update our records. If you do wish to continue to receive paper copies of letters, you can also make this request by speaking to a member of the office team or emailing

admin@barlbybridge.n-yorks.sch.uk.

If we do not hear from you and already have an email address on file, you will now receive correspondence via email, including the next fortnightly newsletter. Many thanks.

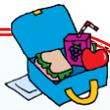
FoBBS Fundraising

We had an excellent response to the letter asking for additional support and new members to the FoBBS group. Thank you so much to the parents who came along to the first meeting of the year.

The group are now busy preparing a number of events this term, including Christmas cards, a school disco and the Christmas Fair. All dates for these events are detailed at the back of the newsletter. Thanks also to the parents unable to attend the first meeting who completed the response form; a member of FoBBS will be in touch. All parents are welcome to join and even if you do not have a lot of time, roles can be shared. FoBBS are fundraising this year to improve our EYFS indoor and outdoor area; a cause that will be a great benefit to the current children and their siblings who will join us in years to come.



Healthy Lunchboxes



Our school meals and sandwich options continue to prove popular with the children and it has been excellent to see the new Reception starters enjoying their lunch every day. If your child does bring a packed lunch, it is important that the contents are balanced and healthy and include different food group options to give them energy for the afternoon. This should include a healthy sandwich or pasta option, fruit and or vegetables and a calcium rich option such as a yoghurt or chopped cheese. Items such as humus and vegetable sticks or breadsticks are great too.

It is important that sugary items such as cakes and high fat items such as crisps are the smaller proportion of the lunch, not the majority of the lunchbox. Biscuit options are allowed but children should not bring full chocolate bars or sweets into school. The midday supervisors will remind your child or this and will request that these items go home with them. Thank you for supporting our work towards a Healthier School in 2019-20.

Harvest Celebrations

We are looking forward to our Harvest celebrations this week. Nursery and Reception will perform songs for parent's tomorrow morning in the school hall at 9.00am. The rest of the school are taking part in readings and singing at Portholme Church at 10.30 on Thursday. We would be extremely grateful of any donations for Selby Food Bank. The staff from the Food Bank have put a list together of specific items required detailed below. These can be placed in the food bags placed around school next week. Thank you.

- Cereal
- Long-life Milk
- Juice or squash
- Tinned Vegetables
- Tea & Coffee Biscuits
- Hot & Cold Tinned Meats
- Tinned Spaghetti
- Tinned Rice & Custard
- Pasta & Rice
- Toiletries e.g. shower gel

Attendance News

Our school attendance competition has begun with the publication of our first leader board for the best attending class of the week and the year. Congratulations to Earth class who are our champions of the week with a very good 98.28%. Venus and Mercury class were in 2nd and 3rd place respectively. Leading the way for the term and the year is Mercury with 98.47%. So it's KS1 in the lead at the moment for the prize at the end of term. We hope to see KS2 classes challenging soon.

Glow Gold in September

Wear something yellow to school (non-uniform) on Friday to raise money for Candlelighters children's cancer charity. Suggested donation is £1 per family. Icepops for sale at playtime- 20p each. All monies raised in memory of Thomas Cammack.

Important Dates for your Diary

Friday 27th September	Non-uniform day- Childhood Cancer Awareness – see note below.
Thursday 3rd October	Venus class assembly.
Monday 7th October	Pop-up shop after school selling pre-loved uniform.
Wednesday 9th October	Parents' meeting- additional date for parents of pupils with SEND.
Friday 11th October	Earth class assembly.
Thursday 17th October	School parent open morning (Years 1-6).
Wednesday 23rd October	Individual School Photographs
23rd and 24th October	Parents' evenings – Reception to Year 6.
Thursday 24th October	Flu Vaccinations (whole school)- letter to follow.
Friday 25th October	School closes for half term.
Monday 4th November	School opens.
Friday 8th November	Mars class assembly.
Thursday 14th November	Jupiter class assembly.
Friday 22nd November	Saturn class assembly.
Friday 22nd November	Non-uniform day to fundraise for FoBBS Christmas Fair.
Thursday 28th November	School discos- KS1 3.10-4.00pm. KS2- 4.00- 5.00pm.
Tuesday 3rd December	School Christmas Fair- opens to parents from 2.30pm.
Weds 11th, Thurs 12th Dec	King's Church Christmas experienced- Venus and Earth.
Friday 20th December	School closes for Christmas.
Tuesday 7th January	School opens for Spring term.
Thursday 13th February	Advance warning – school closes for half term on Thursday.

Building Works

We are pleased to report that the school building works are running to time and we are now in the final two weeks of the project. Thank you so much for your understanding throughout this period of disruption; we understand it has not been ideal in term time but now the works are nearly finished can see the impact the greater class space will have on all children. Mars and Saturn classes will move into their new classrooms in the week beginning Monday 7th October and other classes affected (Year 1 and Nursery) will move that week too. More information on this to follow.



Building stronger families

