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'Educating For Life In All Its Fullness'

13th January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

This afternoon in Celebration Assembly we said a well done to the following children for making the extra effort to impress during the week.

<u>Class 1</u> <u>Excellent Early Learners</u>
Sam J Gigi T
<u>Class 2</u>
Wonderful Work: Pippa S Brilliant Behaviour: Jaden G
<u>Class 3</u>
Wonderful Work: Otilie M Brilliant Behaviour: George R
<u>Class 4</u>
Wonderful Work: Ella H Brilliant Behaviour: Isa I

A Reminder - Clubs for this term

Quite a few of the extra-curricular clubs have changed for this term. Drama Den and Multi-Sports have changed nights for some year groups and we have introduced a couple of additional clubs this term with others to follow later in the year. You should have received details of each of the clubs but if not please contact the school office for details.

Day	Club	Year Groups Involved
Monday	Science Club	Years 1, 2 and 3
Monday	Maths Club	Year 6 (Starting 16 th January)
Tuesday	Multi-Sports	Years 4, 5 and 6
Tuesday	Drama Den	Years 2 and 3
Thursday	Multi-Sports	Years 1, 2 and 3
Friday	Drama Den	Years 4, 5 and 6

All these clubs start straight after school and finish at **4.10pm**.

Free School Meals

At this time of increasing prices and pressures on family budgets, Leeds City Council are keen that schools pass on information to families about their entitlement to a number of benefits or subsidies. One of these is free school meals.



As many parents will be aware, children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are all entitled to a 'universal free school meal'. However, once a child reaches Year 3 families have to pay for school meal unless they are eligible for free school meals due to other family circumstances.

In addition to the support for the eligible family, school also receives funding called Pupil Premium, which based on the number of free school meals eligible children. This funding can make a very big difference to school and the amount of support we can offer, not just to the eligible child but all the other children in school. As a result of the benefit to the family, but also to school, we would encourage any family who thinks they may be entitled to apply. The criteria for eligibility are listed below with some links to both additional information and how to apply.

For your child to qualify for Free School Meals/Pupil Premium, you must get one of the following benefits:

- Universal Credit and your household income after tax is less than £7,400 per year (not including any benefits you get)
- Child Tax Credit, as long as you are not getting Working Tax Credit and have an annual income of less than £16,190
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- The guarantee part of Pension Credit
- Asylum seeker support.



To apply, you need to get in touch with [Leeds City Council](#) who will guide you through the process. Also feel free to contact the school office who will also be able to help with information.

Parking

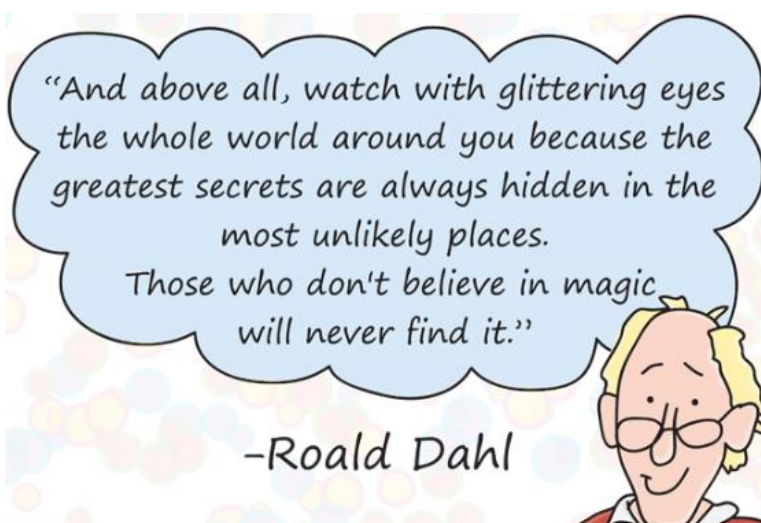
Everyone knows that parking in Harewood is not easy, especially at pick up time at the end of the day. Please can I request that everyone parks in a way that is safe and is respectful of the needs of the villagers and other road users. Can I also remind families that we are not allowed to use the Harewood Arms carpark unless you have been into the pub as a customer but also to avoid impeding access to the pub carpark by parking in a way that narrows the entrance.



'Wellbeing Statement of the Month'

January 2023

This month our quote encourages us to look again at the world about us and see the amazing things we are often too busy to see.



Music In Worship – Beautiful Day – Jamie Grace

This week's song is called 'Beautiful Day' by Jamie Grace. She has an unusual musical style by combining elements of [hip hop](#), [folk](#), and pop into one distinct sound.

'Beautiful Day' is more than just a fun, catchy tune, it has a modern day melody and message that is important for us all to hear. Jamie Grace was inspired by David from the book of Psalms in the Bible. David's Psalms are filled with songs of joy to the Lord and that is what Jamie Grace was trying to achieve with this song. The lyrics emphasise the ability of God's love to make any day beautiful, that despite what we might be going through, every day is an incredible gift.

So many times, we are encouraged to think when good things are happening or things are going our way, then it's a beautiful day. That's true, but we should also count our blessings every day when it is not necessarily going the way we've planned or things are not going how we'd prefer them to go. Still, those are beautiful days.

This half term, we are thinking about different learning difficulties and one of the key messages in Jamie's song is to not have your joy be based on your circumstances. Jamie has had to deal with health issues, including Tourette's Syndrome, ADHD and OCD. She is a shining example of not allowing this to diminish her joy in writing songs to worship God.

Here is the YouTube link for the song: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uPy0ctqMwEO>

Events and Dates for the Term

Date	Event
Thursday 2 nd February	PTA Bun Sale – Class 4
3 rd to 10 th February	Book Fair
Tuesday 7 th February	Safer Internet Day
Wednesday 8 th February	Class 4 Young Voices Concert
Thursday 9 th March	PTA Bun Sale – Class 3
Friday 10 th February	School closes for half term
Monday 20 th February	School opens after the half term break
Tuesday 28 th February	Basket Ball Competition at Boston Spa
Thursday 2 nd March	World Book Day
Friday 24 th March	D:Side PSHE Day
Friday 31 st March	School closes today for Easter

Have a good weekend.

Mr A. Ratcliffe

