Longman's Hill Community Primary School Newsletter



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Uniform

All the children have returned to school looking extremely smart in their new uniforms.

Please ensure that all items of uniform are named. Footwear should be plain black or brown. We do allow PLAIN black trainers but do not allow trainers with bright soles, laces or logos.

School uniform can be purchased online- details can be obtained from the school office and there is a link from our school website. Children can also wear uniform from local retailers / supermarkets etc in school colours.

Jewellery is <u>not allowed</u> for school apart from small, plain studs in ears. Earrings must be removed for PE. We do not allow children to cover earrings with plasters, in line with NYCC policy. Children are <u>NOT</u> allowed to wear any smart watches / technology that has internet capability or the ability to take photographs.

Additionally, just a reminder that for safety reasons children can only participate in outdoor PE if wearing trainers.

Finally, hair accessories should be small, plain and dark coloured please.

Many thanks for your support in this matter.

Medical Policy

Our school medical policy is available to view / download on the website. However, please be aware that staff in school are only allowed to administer medicine which has been prescribed by a doctor and which has the appropriate named label/ dosage attached. A form must be completed by a parent at the school office. All staff are first aid trained, with some having the paediatric first aid certificate. All staff have had up to date anaphylaxis training. Cuts or grazes, where the wound is open, will always be cleaned with tap water and covered with hypoallergenic plasters, as advised on the first aid course. This is to prevent any infection in a busy, non-sterile school environment.

** HIGH IMPORTANCE **Changes to Hours of School Day from September 2023 REMINDER.

The NEW school times are as follows:

Doors open: 8.45am Doors close: 8.50am Register: 8.50am

Register closes: 8.55am (arrivals after 8.55am are classed as LATE)

Lessons begin: 8.55am End of day: 3.20pm

The first lesson will start at 8.55am and it is essential that children are in school by 8.50am so that they do not miss any learning time.

Attendance Updates

Attendance at our school is generally very good and we are above national attendance figures. The DfE and Ofsted are very keen to ensure that schools are maintaining high levels of attendance of amongst pupils. At our school, we monitor attendance carefully. Mrs Crawford is the School Attendance Officer and she will be the person who makes contact with parents initially where we have concerns about low attendance. We appreciate that it can be difficult sometimes to decide whether your child is well enough to attend school. The website below contains lots of information which can support you with this decision

https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/

If your child is too unwell to attend school, please ring the school office. You can leave a voicemail on our answering machine if calling outside school hours, which office staff will collect in the morning.

Contacting School

You can send emails to school on one of two admin emails as below:

admin@longmanshill.n-yorks.sch.uk theoffice@longmanshill.n-yorks.sch.uk

<u>PLEASE NOTE MRS CRAWFORD IS NOT IN SCHOOL ON MONDAYS, TUESDAY AFTERNOONS OR WEDNESDAYS.</u> Therefore theoffice@ email is not monitored at these times. <u>Urgent</u> emails should be sent to the admin@ email. Thank you.

Living Streets Walk to School Project

Over the last several months, we have been taking proactive steps to try and reduce the number of vehicles at the school gate. Our aim is to make it safer for children walking to school and to reduce vehicle emissions in the environment.

Last summer, the council re-painted the yellow zig-zag lines at the front of school on Myrtle Avenue; it is illegal to park on these and parents are politely reminded not to do so.

We also use cones and 'child-shaped' bollards to define no-parking zones. This has had a positive impact, eliminating cars parking in the school gateway.

Last year, we also launched our walk/ cycle or scoot to school initiative, which we are participating in through 'Living Streets', an organization that work to promote a more sustainable and healthy method of travel to school.

We have signed up to this project once again this academic year; we hope to see a continued drop in the numbers of children who travel to school by car. We appreciate that some children are unable to walk the distance to school; these pupils can still successfully participate in the scheme by adults parking a 10-minute walk away from school and walking the final part of the journey to school.

Children who travel to school by walking, scooting, cycling or park-and-walk will be rewarded with monthly badges which are made from plastic that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

If travelling by bike or scooter, please make sure that you / your child DISMOUNT AT THE GATE and push bikes and scooters on the school premises. This will ensure that the school grounds remain safe for everyone.

We would welcome your support in walking to school, or where the distance is too great, parking a short walk away from school and walking the final part of the journey.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Collecting Children from School

Our priority is to ensure that children are safe. Children in Early Years, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 <u>MUST</u> be collected by an adult over the age of 18. If you wish for someone under the age of 18 to collect your child in these classes, please contact the school office to discuss the matter.

If someone different to usual is collecting your child, please ensure you inform school. Many thanks.

PE Days Reminder

PE days are as follows. Children should come to school in their PE kit. No jewellery, including earrings, can be worn for PE (or swimming).

Children who attend sports clubs before / after school should wear school PE kit.

Early Years	Wed / Fri
У1	Tue / Wed
У2	Fri (double session)
У3	Mon (and swim on Wed)
У4	Mon / Tue
У5	Mon / Tue
У6	Mon / Fri

A message from Brayton Parish Council regarding anti-social behaviour.

We need your voices and your input to make our community even better! 業

Join us for a Public Meeting on Thursday, September 28th 2023, at 6:30pm at the Brayton Community Centre.

© Let's come together to address Anti-Social Behaviour concerns that have been affecting Brayton Community Centre and playing field, as part of a community conferencing approach.

Your opinions matter, and we want to hear from YOU! 😫

This meeting is a fantastic opportunity for us to:

- Share our concerns
- Exchange ideas
- Collaboratively find solutions
- Strengthen our community bonds

Light refreshments will be available to keep us going as we discuss the way forward! Your presence can make a real difference. Let's make Brayton an even better place to live!

North Yorkshire Families Magazine

Read the latest copy of the magazine by following the LINK to the September/October issue

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Once again, we will be supporting this fantastic charity by organising a coffee morning at school on Thursday 28th September. The coffee morning will begin at 9.15am in the school hall. Please come along to support us! We would welcome donations of cakes, buns and cookies for this event. We will also be selling buns to the children to raise funds so donations of baked goods (no nuts please!) are most welcome. Baked goods can be dropped off at the office or brought to class in the morning. Thank you in advance for your support.

Free Music Lessons at Selby Music Centre

"Selby Music Centre is offering a **free** half term of music lessons on clarinets, recorders, saxophones, flutes, trumpets, trombones, violins, cellos, guitars and ukuleles. Suitable for complete beginners or those that have been learning for a few months. We can lend you an instrument, if needed. We also have a fantastic youth choir for age 6 and upwards and other opportunities for more experienced musicians. Sessions are fun, friendly and on Saturday mornings, starting September 16th. Please contact helen.moulds@northyorks.gov.uk for more details."

Wear it Yellow Day for Children's Mental Health awareness- 9th October

Monday 9^{th} October is World Mental Health Day and we will be doing our bit to raise both awareness and much needed funds for the Young Minds Charity. On the 9^{th} October, children may come to school wearing yellow, in return for a small donation (we suggest a £1). This is purely voluntary and children who do not wish to take part can attend in uniform as usual.

School Diary Dates - Autumn Term 2023

The full year of diary dates is available on our school website. Go to 'News/Events/Recruitment' Term Dates' - 'school diary dates for parents 23/24'. Some activities/ dates may be subject to change but we will always contact parents to inform you of any changes.

W/B 18 th September	Maths parent drop ins- Maths stories- each class will confirm own date
	and time
Thurs 28 th Sept	Macmillan cancer coffee morning 9.15am
Wed 27th - Fri 29 th Sept	Y5 Robinwood
Mon 9 th Oct	Mental Health Day - wear yellow & bring donation for charity
Tues 17 th Oct	Flu vaccinations in school
Fri 27 th Oct	End for half term
Mon 30 th Oct - Sun 5 th Nov	HALF TERM HOLIDAY
Mon 6 th Nov	Term Begins
Mon 6 th Nov - Fri 10 th Nov	Year 6 Caythorpe Court
Fri 17 th Nov	Children in need - details will follow
Tue 21st and Thurs 23rd Nov	Parents evenings (Tue 4.00-6.30pm / Thurs 3.30-5.30pm)
W/B 27 th Nov	Stay and Create - each class will confirm own date and time
Fri 8 th Dec	Xmas jumper day (Save the children)
Fri 8 th Dec	School Xmas fair 3.30-5.00pm school hall
WB 11 th Dec	Xmas parties
	Mon 11 th - Yr 5/6
	Wed 13 th - EY/KS1
	Thurs 14 th - Yr 3/4
Fri 15 th Dec	Carol Service at church 2pm
Tue 19 th Dec	Xmas performance KS1 and FS2 ONLY 5pm
Wed 20 th Dec	Xmas performance KS1 and FS2 ONLY 10am
	Xmas performance KS2 ONLY 5pm
Thurs 21st Dec	Xmas performance KS2 ONLY 10am
Tues 19 th Dec	School Xmas lunch
Thurs 21st Dec	Finish for Christmas
Fri 22nd Dec - Mon 8th Jan	Christmas holidays