

# Longman's Hill Community Primary School Newsletter



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13/10/23

## **Macmillan Coffee Morning Thanks**

Many thanks to those of you who helped to make our coffee morning a success. We raised £160.40 for this fantastic charity!

## **Magazine Donations**

If you have any children's magazines or comics at home, which are in good, readable condition, that your child has finished reading, we would welcome donations of them at school. We use these as prizes, to encourage reading, but made the decision a couple of years ago to re-use and re-cycle, rather than purchase new magazines for this purpose. Donations can be sent in to the school office, or into class with your child, who should take them to Mrs Rhodes in Class 2. Many thanks.

## **Safe Parking**

I appreciate that some parents may be weary of my constant mentions of parking at the school gates, however I am adding another polite request to the newsletter again today. As a school, we have taken several steps to try and reduce congestion and unsafe parking at the school gates, including petitioning the council to re-paint the yellow zig-zags, using cones/bollards and subscribing to the 'Living Streets' walk to school initiative.

However, we still have a considerable number of parents who choose to park at best inconsiderately and at worst, illegally and very unsafely for our children and families. It is illegal to park on the yellow zig-zag lines and we would politely request that you do not do so. Whilst not illegal, it is also very inconsiderate to park right up on the pavements, as it prevents safe access for children walking to school.

I appreciate that everyone is busy at drop off / collection time; everyone has places to be and the temptation to think you'll just quickly park up to allow your child to jump in / out of the car can be great, I am sure. However, it is very inconsiderate and it is really only by luck that we have not had a child seriously injured, or worse. Please think before you park and let's work together as responsible adults to keep every child at our school safe on their journeys to and from school. Thank you in advance for your support.

## EARLY YEARS COMMUNICATION AND INTERACTION DROP-IN FOR PARENTS

*Come and talk to us for advice and support around all aspects of your child's communication skills.*

**When?** Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2023

09:45am-12:00pm

**Where?** Sherburn Children & Families' Hub

(Finkle Hill, Sherburn in Elmet, LS25 6EA)

### Who will be there?

Kate Leatherland:

*Speech Language & Communication Needs Specialist*

Linda Dalglish:

*Speech & Language Therapist*

Charlotte Tate:

*Speech & Language Therapy Assistant*

To register your interest & be given a time slot, please contact:

[Charlotte.Tate@northyorks.gov.uk](mailto:Charlotte.Tate@northyorks.gov.uk)



### New Parent Governors Notification

Mr Ryan Taylor

Mrs Laura Pope

Mr Robert Wilcockson

have been successfully nominated to join the school governing board.

### Young Minds Mental Health Charity Fundraiser

Thanks to everyone who helped raise both funds and awareness of children and young people's mental health by wearing yellow on Monday. We raised £152.70 for the charity. The children have also had the chance to reflect that mental health is something we all have, in addition to physical health, and that we can do things to protect and improve it.

### PE Kit Reminder

Children should wear school PE kit on PE days and when they are attending before / after school PE clubs. This consists of a plain white t-shirt (which may have the school logo on) and dark black or navy plain shorts. For outdoor PE, children can wear a tracksuit/ jogging bottoms/ sweatshirt which is dark coloured. Children are not to wear football strips etc for school PE sessions / clubs. Thank you.

### Parental Warning- Safeguarding Concern about an online game 'Huggy Wuggy' and 'Poppy Playtime'

We have increasing numbers of children, including some in KS1, talking about playing on these games. Although the name of these games sounds innocent enough, parents may be unaware that these games contain some disturbing content. Poppy Playtime is a PC horror game that involves an unnamed protagonist investigating a mystery in an abandoned toy factory. As the player, you roam around the factory and collect VHS tapes to solve the mystery of what happened. You must solve puzzles while trying to survive the "vengeful toys" left

behind. "Huggy Wuggy" is one of the game's most popular - and visually disturbing - characters. It's a giant, horrifying blue creature with bulging eyes, wide red lips, and long limbs who actively follows you around as you try to complete the game. He appears in the dark unexpectedly to try and catch you. If you get caught, Huggy Wuggy bears his wide and sinister grin and eats you. In addition to the content of the game itself, Cyber Protection Officers have recently released a statement, warning parents that children may be viewing graphic fan-made videos that are popping up on platforms such as YouTube and TikTok. Some created videos feature songs alongside animation, designed to be upsetting and 'creepy'. Others feature jump-scare animations. The videos appear across several popular platforms, in particular on TikTok and YouTube. The hashtag 'huggywuggy' has over 2.9B views on TikTok.

Additionally, please be aware of another character called 'Siren Head' which some of our youngest children are also discussing; this character features in a set of short movies on YouTube and features some quite disturbing images.

**Pop Up  
Inspire Youth  
Mobile Youth Club**

**Find us: Thursday 2nd November**  
**11.30-1pm @ Barwic Parade &**  
**1.30-3pm on the Abbey Pavement**  
**(outside Selby Abbey), Selby**

Offering information, support, a safe space, positive activities, (and much more!) for young people provided by qualified youth workers

All welcome aged 8 upwards free to attend

**SAFE SPACES**

Refreshments included for all attending, see you there!

**NO BOOKING NEEDED- JUST TURN UP**





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**FREE HALF  
TERM  
ACTIVITY**

**YOUTH  
FOOTBAL AND  
ACTIVITY SESSIONS**

Brought to you by  

Coaching, skill session & matches

**DATE 30TH OCT**

All ages welcome  
 @Selby leisure centre

**Agility stations. Reaction, speed drill and a team challenges - With North Yorkshire sport**





**10.00  
till  
3.00**



# MULTIPLY Family Fun Days!

Join us during the the October Half Term  
for fun filled FREE family sessions!

Whilst the kids are busy handling animals, playing games  
and having a run around, we have a wealth of games and  
resources to sharpen your number brain and help you save  
money on your bills this winter.

Resources on energy efficiency, cooking, budgeting  
and many others will be available...  
and they will be more fun than they sound!

We have sessions in Selby and York, from  
**Monday 30th October to Friday 3rd November.**  
Morning and afternoon sessions are available, starting at  
10am and 2pm.

**Monday & Tuesday:**  
Brayton Community Centre  
Foxhill Lane  
Selby  
YO8 9TP

**Wednesday, Thursday  
& Friday:**  
York  
Location to be  
confirmed

Children aged 5+ welcome and must be  
supervised by at least one eligible parent  
or guardian. To be eligible, you must be  
19+ and NOT have a GCSE A-C grade in  
Maths. Some basic data collection will  
be required at the session. Open to  
anyone from North Yorkshire or York.

To attend  
please register  
your interest by emailing  
[lindsay@upforyorkshire.org.uk](mailto:lindsay@upforyorkshire.org.uk)

These family days are provided as part of Up For Yorkshire's  
Multiply Provision to help people's maths and wellbeing



# Halloween

at the **Skylark Centre**

**30 & 31  
October  
10am -3pm**

-  Slime making
-  Bone bridges
-  Woodland trails
-  Themed craft activities

**Last entry  
2:30pm**

**Refreshments available** Please make  
a cash donation

**Wellies advised!**



**Book here**



**Everyone welcome**

## Skylark Centre YO8 8GX



Skylark Centre  
Park Lane, Barlow, Selby YO8 8GX

### **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.

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| Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct                           | Flu vaccinations in school   |
| Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct                           | Year 1 Phonics workshop (separate letter sent home)  |
| Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup> Oct                          | Year 5/6 Shibden Hall Museum   |
| Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> Oct                            | End for half term  |
| Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> Oct - Sun 5 <sup>th</sup> Nov  | HALF TERM HOLIDAY  |
| Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> Nov                             | Term Begins  |
| Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> Nov - Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov  | Year 6 Caythorpe Court   |
| Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov                            | Children in need - details will follow   |
| Tue 21 <sup>st</sup> and Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup> Nov | Parents evenings (Tue 4.00-6.30pm / Thurs 3.30-5.30pm)   |
| W/B 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov                            | Stay and create each class will confirm own date and time  |
| Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov                          | Bags2school Collection   |
| Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec                             | Xmas jumper day (Save the children)  |
| Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec                             | School Xmas fair 3.30-5.00pm school hall   |
| WB 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec                             | Xmas parties<br>Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> - Yr 5/6<br>Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> - EY/KS1<br>Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup> -Yr 3/4 |
| Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec                            | Carol Service at church 2pm  |
| Tue 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec                            | Xmas performance KS1 and FS2 ONLY 5pm  |
| Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec                            | Xmas performance KS1 and FS2 ONLY 10am<br>Xmas performance KS2 ONLY 5pm  |
| Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup> Dec                          | Xmas performance KS2 ONLY 10am   |
| Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec                           | School Xmas lunch  |
| Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup> Dec                          | Finish for Christmas   |
| Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec - Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> Jan  | Christmas holidays   |
| Tue 9 <sup>th</sup> Jan                             | Children back in school for start of Spring term 2024  |