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## *A family, growing and learning in God's love*

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that everyone, parents, carers and children alike are settling into the new term well and looking forward to some of the events that will be taking place in school during the coming weeks, leading us towards October half-term.

### Maths Information Evening

On Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> September Mrs Hugill will be leading a maths information evening for parents and carers of children from Reception to Year 6. The information will be based on addition and subtraction and will focus on how we teach this and the building blocks leading up to this. Children are also welcome to attend.

### MacMillan Coffee Morning

On Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> September from 9.00am in the school hall, we will be hosting a MacMillan Coffee Morning to support this worthwhile cause. For all the fans of Bake Off, please try out your baking skills, as we welcome donations of cakes and biscuits to sell during the morning and hopefully 'no soggy bottoms'. The children will have the opportunity to buy a cake or biscuit for a small donation, if you would like to send this in with them.



### Cross Country

On Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> September Class 2 will be taking part in a Cross Country event along with children from Chapel Haddlesey School. The children will be supervised by Mrs Edenbrow and Mrs Wilson and transported by bus to Carlton Holy Family School. This activity takes place late morning into the lunchtime period. Please can you ensure that your child remembers to bring the following:-

- PE kit, trainers and a coat
- Water bottle, either disposable or non-disposable
- Packed lunch – please contact the school office if you would like your child to have a school packed lunch which will be available at a cost of £2.60 or your child will need to bring their own on this day.



### JRSO News

On Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> October, two of our Year 5's, Leighton and Elizabeth have been invited to attend a launch meeting at Selby Civic Centre and will bring back some useful road safety ideas and initiatives. I'm sure that you will agree that they will be fantastic ambassadors for our school. As per the letter which was sent home yesterday, under the guidance of Mrs Collins, they will be patrolling the front of school on Monday to remind our parents and carers to park safely and considerately.

### Individual, Family and Class Photographs

During the afternoon of Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October Phototronics will be attending school to take individual, family and class photographs. If you **DO NOT** want your child to have their photograph taken, please contact the school office.

### School Taster Dinner

On Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October, Miss Godfrey-Davies, our School Cook, will be hosting a taster dinner of a hot dog in a bun, curly fries, coleslaw and mixed salad with fruit jelly for pudding. Please contact the school office if your child would like to have this meal instead of the planned menu of chicken, rice and vegetables and the pudding of a raspberry bun and cheese. This is to encourage as many families as possible to try a lunch, if not every day, maybe even a few days a week. The more children who have a lunch, the more cost effective it is to run the kitchen and the cheaper we can keep the future price.

### Drug-ed4children – Year 5 & 6

On Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> October John Day from the charity 'Drug-ed4children' will be presenting a lesson to our Year 5 and 6 children. John is a police officer who has worked with the charity for many years, presenting a 'Truth About Drugs' lesson when off-duty, therefore presenting in his capacity as an educator, rather than in his capacity as an officer. However, John's profession has the added bonus of offering the children an opportunity to ask any additional questions they might also have relating to drugs and the law. It will be an age appropriate workshop, which we run every 2 years in conjunction with this charity.

### Panto

'Oh no we're not' going to attend a panto this year and are having a year out from this annual event. We have plenty of other activities planned to keep the children happy during this time of year instead.

### Christmas Production

Both classes will collaborate again this year to bring you an outstanding Christmas Production the name of which will be released shortly. Following last year's success, we will be holding the performances in Barlow Village Club. So that you are able to book any necessary time off work, the performance dates will be as follows:-

- Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 2.30pm and 6.00pm
- Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 6.00pm

### Parent/Care Drop In

On Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> November at Selby North Children's Centre (Flaxley Road) there will be a drop in session with the Inclusive Education Service (IES), Communication and Interaction Team (C&I).

A Specialist Teacher and a Specialist Practitioner will be available to talk to, on a one to one basis, and offer advice to parents and carers on subjects such as;

- Language and Communication
- Social Skills and Understanding
- Peer Interaction
- Emotional Regulation



- Sensory Processing

If you have concerns or questions about your child and would like to attend, you will be very welcome, no appointment is necessary.

### Child Record Forms

Thank you to everyone who has returned their form to the office so far. There are only a few outstanding forms to collect, so please complete and return them to the office, as soon as possible. Please inform the school office if you change any of your contact details during the school year, so that we can update your child's record. As you can appreciate, we need to have your most recent details in case of emergencies.

### Election of Parent Governor

The ballot has now closed for the Parent Governor vacancies that we have across the Federation. Please complete and return the paperwork which will come home with your child tonight, if you would like to take part in electing our new Governors.

### School Council



We are proud to announce our elected School Council members for this school year, which under the guidance of Mrs Wilson will meet regularly to discuss and debate school business from their point of view. We look forward to hearing what ideas they bring to the school. Mrs Wilson presented them with their School Council badges which they are wearing with pride already.

James, Georgina, Eva, Hope (top left to right)  
Ryan, Lottie, Max, Sophia (bottom left to right)

### Stay and Play

Stay and Play is an inclusive, friendly baby and toddler group drop-in session held at Barlow C of E Primary School, every Friday during school term time from 9.15am until 11.00am. We welcome all parents, grandparents and carers to join us for chat and refreshments whilst the children play in a safe environment. This is a great way to meet new friends at a modest cost of £1.50 per family. Please contact Mrs Briggs in the school office if you would be interested in helping out during these sessions.



### Breakfast Club

Mrs Hargreaves runs the Breakfast Club daily from 8.00am and children can attend ad-hoc in the case of absolute emergencies but it is preferable that bookings are made, where at all possible, in advance of attendance. Fuel Up Friday breakfasts need to be booked by Thursday lunchtime, so that Ms Hargreaves is able to allocate the food portions consistently.

### Tapestry – Online Learning Journal

Please note that all children in Reception are subscribed to Tapestry which is an online learning journal for parents to access and join in with their child's learning journey. Unfortunately, we have been experiencing some technical difficulties in setting up the new accounts, so will send the log in details home with your child as soon as they become available. Thank you for your patience whilst we get the system up and running. If your child has moved up from Reception into Year 1, we have had similar problems but will contact you when these are resolved, as you will have 90 days to be able to download your child's journal before it will be deleted.



### Reading Helpers in Class 1

Mrs Wilson has kindly volunteered to give up her time to help children read in Class 1 and 2 on a Thursday morning. We would like to hear from anyone who would like to give as much or as little of their time to listen to our children read. All of our volunteers are very much appreciated by our school community.

### My Art Project

A flyer was sent home with your child earlier this week to launch a My Art Project which transforms your child's artwork into a variety of exciting Christmas products such as mugs, Christmas cards, stickers, water bottles, etc, to raise money for School Funds. Extra templates are available from the school office if you would like younger siblings or other members of the family to take part. The artwork will be produced by your children during the school day during the coming weeks and the proofs will be sent home for you to choose your products to be produced and sent back to you in time for Christmas. Chapel Haddlesey have used this scheme before and recommend it as a fantastic way to produce customised gifts for family and friends.

### Thanks

Thank you to Olivia Fenteman's dad for trimming back the climbers along the playground fence, at the front of school, to make a clearer footway for pedestrians.

### Nasty Visitors

We are lucky as a school that we rarely have any cases of headlice reported to us, however in environments where a lot of people work closely together, sometimes it is inevitable that headlice may sneak in. If you find that your child has an unfortunate but very treatable case of headlice, please visit the following link:-

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>

### Evie - Race for Life

Evie in Class 2 took part in the York, Race for Life 5K run last Sunday in memory of her Nannie. As you can see from the photograph, Evie is really proud of her achievement which enabled her to raise around £855 for the charity. Well done Evie!



Yours sincerely,



Mrs S. MacDonald  
Headteacher



## Diary Dates

Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maths Information Evening - 5.30pm - 6.30pm Parents/Carers/Children welcome</li> </ul>
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MacMillan Coffee Morning – 9.00am</li> </ul>
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cross Country – Class 2</li> </ul>
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>JRSOs attending launch event – Selby Civic Centre – 9.30am – 11.30am</li> </ul>
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reception &amp; Year 1 Phonics and Reading Information Evening – 5.30pm - 6.30pm</li> </ul>
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School Meal Taster Day – Hot dog in a bun</li> </ul>
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Individual and class photographs – 1.00pm</li> </ul>
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Drug-ed4children – drug education lesson – Year 5 and 6</li> </ul>
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Harvest Festival Collective Worship – Parents/Carers welcome</li> </ul>
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Non-Uniform Day (theme to be advised)</li> </ul>
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Break up for half term</li> </ul>
Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Deadline for Year 6 Parents/Carers to apply for High School places</li> </ul>
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Back to school</li> </ul>
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Flu immunisation – Year Reception to Year 6 (If permission obtained)</li> </ul>
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bags2School clothing collection – 9.00am</li> </ul>
Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CHAPS Christmas Fayre at Chapel Haddlesey</li> </ul>
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Christmas Dinner</li> </ul>
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Christmas Production – Barlow Village Club - 2.30pm and 6.00pm</li> </ul>
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Christmas Production – Barlow Village Club - 6.00pm</li> </ul>
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Christmas Collective Worship – Parent/Carers welcome</li> </ul>
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Non-Uniform Day – Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day</li> </ul>
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Break up for Christmas</li> </ul>
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Back to school</li> </ul>
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Young Voices – Sheffield Arena – Year 3 to 6</li> </ul>
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Break up for half term</li> </ul>
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Non-Uniform Day (theme to be advised)</li> </ul>
Monday 24 <sup>rd</sup> February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Back to school</li> </ul>
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Break up for Easter</li> </ul>
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Back to school</li> </ul>
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>May Day holiday – revised date</li> </ul>
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Break up for half term</li> </ul>
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Back to school</li> </ul>
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Break up for Summer</li> </ul>

