



Wickersley Northfield Primary NEWSLETTER

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New Classes

Everyone in Foundation started in their new classes today.

Please remember that all the children new to Foundation 2 will be in school all day on Tuesday 11th and Thursday 13th July from 8.45am to 3.15pm.

Tuesday 11th is also family dinner day so please remember to come back at 11.30am. Would you also ensure that you have chosen your meal option for your child and yourself?



From next Monday 17th July, all the pupils in F2 will be able to come/stay for a school dinner. Morning pupils (F2A) will need collecting at 12.30pm instead of 11.30am and afternoon pupils (F2L) will need dropping off at 11.30am instead of 12.30pm.

If you don't want your child to stay for dinner during the last week, they can be collected at the usual times.

50th Anniversary



This September our school will be 50 years old!

On Friday 15th September 2017 we are planning to celebrate and would like for all the pupils to come to school in clothes from the 60's. We would also like to invite parents into their child's class until around 9.30am to see the work they are currently completing and to listen to them sing a song from 50 years ago.

If you know anyone who has any photographs or memorabilia from our school over the 50 years it has been open, please ask them to bring them into school.



Healthy School

South Yorkshire School Games Final

On Wednesday 5th July we sent a Hockey and Orienteering team to compete in the South Yorkshire Games final.

We were extremely proud of both teams for getting through the preceding rounds to get into the final and they continued to represent school very well and show excellent team skills during the final.

The Y5/6 Orienteering Boy Team:
Thomas Carr
George Ellis
Mason McQuillin

Our boys did an amazing job, trying their best with a very difficult course and came away with 8th place.

The U9 Hockey Team:
Charlie Bull
Jack Ward
Murad Ghani
Riley Ellis
Jay Hobson
Lucy Unwin
Scarlett Nash
Lily Woodward
Georgia Heaps
Matilda Duncan

Our team showed their excellent skills and determination to succeed which earned them **1st place** in the competition. They all received a medal and also came home with the trophy!



Diary Dates

- 10th July - EYFS start in new classes
- 11th July - F2 Transition Day
- 11th July - 11.30pm F2 Family meal
- 13th July - F2 Transition Day
- 18th July - 9 - 11am & 1 - 3pm F1 Play & Stay sessions
- 19th July - 11.30am Family Picnic
- 20th July - 9 - 11am & 1 - 3pm F1 Play & Stay sessions
- 21st July - Last Day before the Summer holiday
- Summer holiday - School closed to pupils for 6 weeks
- 4th September - INSET Day
- 5th September - School open to pupils



INSET Days

In 2017/18 the school will be closed on the following 5 days for staff training.

Monday 4th September 2017
Friday 27th October 2017
Monday 8th January 2018
Friday 29th June 2018
Monday 23rd July 2018

Holiday Dates:

October half term - 30th October to 3rd November. (1 week)
Christmas - 25th December to 5th January. (2 weeks)
February half term - 12th to 16th February. (1 week)
Easter - 26th March to 6th April. (2 weeks)
Spring Bank - 28th May to 1st June. (1 week)
Summer - 24th July (6 weeks)



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Autism

What is Autism?

Autism is a lifelong developmental disability. It is part of the 'autism spectrum' and is sometimes referred to as an autism spectrum disorder or an ASD. The word spectrum is used because while all people with autism share three main areas of difficulty, their condition will affect them in very different ways. Some are able to live relatively 'everyday' lives; others will require a life time of specialist support.

The three main areas of difficulty which all people with autism share are sometimes known as the 'triad of impairments'. They are:

- difficulty with social communication
- difficulty with interaction
- difficulty with imagination

It can be hard to create awareness of autism as people with the condition do not 'look' disabled: parents of children with autism often say that other people simply think their child is naughty; while adults find that they are mis-understood.

What are the Characteristics of Autism?

These vary from one person to another.

People with autism usually have difficulties with both verbal and non-verbal language. Many have a literal understanding of language and think that people always mean exactly what they say. They can find it difficult to use or understand:

- facial expressions or tone of voice
- jokes and sarcasm
- common phrases and sayings

Difficulty with Social Interaction.

People with autism usually have difficulty recognising or understanding other people's emotions and feelings and expressing their own, which can make it more difficult to fit in socially.

They may:

- not understand the unwritten social rules which most of us pick up without thinking; they may stand too close to another person for example, or start an inappropriate subject of conversation
- appear to be insensitive because they have not recognised how someone is feeling
- prefer to spend time alone rather than seeking out the company of other people
- not seek comfort from other people
- appear to behave strangely or inappropriately as it is not always easy for them to express feelings, emotions or needs

Difficulties with social interaction can mean that people with autism find it hard to form friendships: some may want to interact with other people and make friends, but may be unsure how to go about this.

Difficulties with Social Imagination.

Social imagination allows us to understand and predict other people's behaviour, make sense of abstract ideas and to imagine situations outside our immediate daily routine. Difficulties with social imagination mean that people with autism find it hard to:

- understand and interpret other people's thoughts, feelings and actions
- predict what will or could happen next
- understand danger
- engage in imaginative play
- prepare for change

Attendance Information



The **WINNERS** for week
3/7/17 to 7/7/17
with
100%
were
CLASS 5MD



WELL DONE!

Class Attendance

Class F2A	- 95.3%
Class F2L	- 95.3%
Class 1KB	- %
Class 1LC	- %
Class 2BP	- 98.7%
Class 2LT	- 98.0%
Class 3LS	- 97.3%
Class 3GS	- 98.7%
Class 4ER	- 93.3%
Class 4ST	- 96.7%
Class 5MD	- 99.4%
Class 5LW	- 92.5%
Class 6JM	- 96.6%
Class 6MS	- 95.3%
School Overall	- 96.5%



97% - excellent attendance



90 - 96% - okay but try harder



less than 90% - improvement needed next week

Punctuality

Please ensure your children arrive at school, for when the doors open.

Doors open in KS2 at 8.40am and at 8.45am in KS1.

Absences

If your child is ill and will not be coming to school, please phone (543704) and let us know in the morning.

Tel - 01709 543704

School Meals Week Beginning 10th July 2017

Salad bar,
fresh fruit
and yoghurt,
available daily.

All food oven
baked (incl.
potato
products)
wherever
possible.

All desserts
made on the
premises.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Baked Sausages & Gravy	Pizza (choice)	Beef Exeter Shortcake & Gravy	Roast Chicken Breast & Gravy	Fish Fingers
Vegebangers & Gravy (V)	Chicken Fajita Wrap	Macaroni Cheese (V)	Cheese & Egg Flan (V)	Breaded Fish Fillet
Home Baked Roll (choice of fillings)	Bread Roll (choice of fillings)	Baguette (choice of fillings)	Sandwich (choice of fillings)	Wrap (choice of fillings)
Jacket Potato (choice of fillings)	Jacket Potato (choice of fillings)	Jacket Potato (choice of fillings)	Jacket Potato (choice of fillings)	Veggie Mince Chilli (V)
Creamed Potatoes	Rice	New Potatoes	Roast/Creamed Potatoes	Chips, Rice & Spaghetti in tomato sauce
Baked Beans, Peas & Broccoli	Corn on the Cob & Coleslaw	Garden Peas & Baton Carrots	Broccoli & Cauliflower	Mushy Peas
Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar
Ice Cream & Fruit Cocktail	Apple Crumble & Custard	Iced Sponge	Grasmere Gingerbread	Paris Sandwich with Custard
Chocolate Cookie	Flapjack	Oat Cookies	Jelly	Chocolate Crunch
Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit
Yoghurt	Yoghurt	Yoghurt	Yoghurt	Yoghurt