

Dear Parents / Carers,

The spring term has started and things are now back into full swing as we move on into the New Year.

Although the weather so far has been kind to us please can I remind all parents of our adverse weather policy. The school attempts to remain open at all times. If school does need to close we will attempt to text all first contacts on the child's emergency contact list. It is important that these numbers are kept up to date, so if you do change your number please can you let the school office know as soon as possible.

We also alert Dearne FM and they will do their best to ensure that it is on their website and announced during their morning breakfast show. We do keep registers open on these days so that children can arrive anytime up to lunchtime.

During the Christmas performances parents were reminded not to share pictures on social media. We do this in order that parents can take photographs of their own children and have them as keep sakes to look back on in future years. We do though have parents and guardians of children who do not want pictures shared for a wide variety of reasons. In school we know who these children are and we never use their photographs on the school site. Unfortunately though it was drawn to my attention that some of the pictures were shared on social media and these pictures contained images of several children. Please can I remind you that pictures should not be shared on social media and that at the present time the school is reviewing its policy on to whether photographs / videos can be taken at any future performances.

I know how much you all appreciate Pam our crossing patrol and miss her when she is not there! I am therefore giving you advance notice that Pam will not be present to help you or your child cross the road on Friday 28th April and Tuesday 2nd May. Please make a note on your calendars.

I would also like to remind you that from 1st April dinner money will be increasing to £1.90 per meal a total of £9.50 per week. We ask that parents try and pay for this online using the School Gateway or in full on Monday morning rather than daily. If you require any assistance accessing the School Gateway please contact the school office.

Thank you for your continued support.

H.Otley

Diary Dates



12th January	Year 5 and 6 Choir Young Voices
18th January	Parents meeting for Kingswood 3.30pm in Class Cheetah
26th January	Class Cheetah and Gazelle visit to York
26th January	Class Giraffe, Zebra and Meerkat parents meeting for 'Early Essence' School hall at 9am
1st February	Class Lemur, Monkey, and Lion to Kelham Island
6th February	Bags 2 School collection
6th February	Archery Day in school
12th February	Kingswood leave 10.45am from school
13th -17th February	Art week in school
13th February	E-Safety performance for Years 1-6
17th February	Kingswood return approximately 5pm at school
17th February	Break up
27th February	Return to school
27th February	NSPCC to work with Class Gazelle and Cheetah
28th February	Cricket coach in school for Class Gazelle and Cheetah
1st March	Class Leopard to Hardwick Hall
7th March	Cricket coach in school for Class Gazelle and Cheetah

Bags2School

You should have all received a Bag2School bag last week; please can you all try to fill one and send it back to school on **6th February** (please leave at the top of the drive). If you have too much to fit in one sack you are able to use any other bags you may have. This is a quick and easy way to raise funds for school which allows us to subsidise trips and coaches.

Thank you!