

Spring Term January Newsletter

Message from the Headteacher

Since returning from the Christmas break the children have been very busy on their spring term learning. Year 5 & 6 have been learning all about World War II and had a trip to Stibbington to experience what life was like as child growing up in the war. Year 3 and 4 have been learning all about the Rainforest and this week get to enjoy a Rainforest workshop here in school. Year 1 & 2 thoroughly enjoyed a visit from Peterborough Museum's Toy Workshop.

Already in the diary for the rest of this school year we have: Fair Trade Fortnight, Sports Week whole school activities, Science Week, Arts Week, Careers Week (Y5 & 6), plus residentials again for Years 4 & 6.

It has continued to be challenging for our school, as well as parents and families, due to the issues and restrictions caused by Covid. We have to take the advice and instructions from both Public Health England and the Local Authority which is based on our own school's position in relation to positive cases in each year group and across the school. The last couple of weeks have also seen the biggest rise in staff positive cases and this has impacted across school. Thankfully, we are now seeing a decline in both pupil and staff cases, but this clearly isn't over just yet. As always, thank you to you and your child/ren for your cooperation, patience and understanding.

As we move closer to February we are hoping to be able to plan for parents to be allowed back into school. We have always been proud of our school/parent relationships and we want this to return to the high levels of opportunity and engagement as soon as possible. Our spring term parent evening dates have been pushed back two weeks to allow (we really hope!) these appointments to happen in school, face to face with your child's teacher/s and for you to see the superb work they have been producing this academic year. The dates are 14th & 15th March and more information will follow shortly.

Another date for your diary is Saturday 18th June which will be the school's Summer Fete day. Further details will follow shortly, but I would like to thank the Friends Association for their continued enthusiasm over these last 2 years and their determination to get the summer fete back up and running this year. Sports Day dates are on the website and included in this newsletter and further dates and relevant information on events will be communicated with you over the coming weeks and months.

I am pleased to announce that we have a new site manager, Mr Paris, starting with us after the half term break. This will make a huge difference for us and I am sure you will get to see and meet him around the

school site. We also have new staff this term. Welcome to Mrs Glasswell, Miss Welch, Mrs McMillan and Miss Howlett.

Attendance Report

Reception	Year 3	Year 6
94.41%	93.24%	94.04%
Year 1	Year 4	School total
93.53%	93.60%	93.69%
Year 2	Year 5	
93.14%	93.93%	

Year 5 & 6 Day Trip to Stibbington

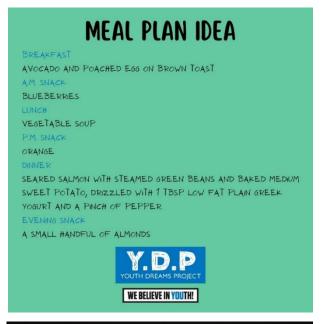
Years 5 and 6 went to Stibbington at the start of term to learn about life as an evacuee. They took on the roles of real life children who were evacuated from London at the start of World War II. They had a great time finding out about rations and all the rules that children had to follow. They also experienced a lesson from the 1940s and found out what you had to do when the air raid siren went off. We were really proud at how well the children behaved during the trips and it was clear how much they learned from their day

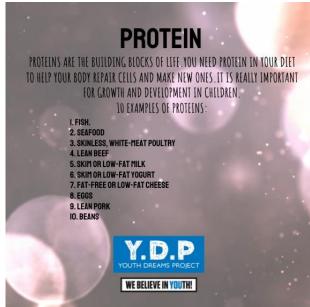


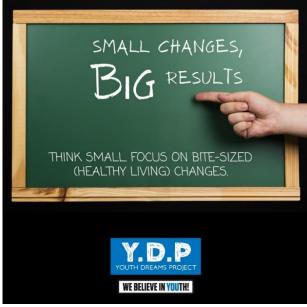


Next week, YDP are focusing on Nutrition. We know how important nutrition is for our children. The have put together the below slides for you and your families.









Fundraising

Shine Charity - Non School Uniform Day



On Friday 11th February we will be holding a Non School Uniform Day to raise money for Shine Charity - Spina Bifida Awareness.

Shine provides specialist support from before birth and throughout the life of anyone living with spina bifida and/or hydrocephalus, as well as to parents, families, carers and professional care staff.

If your child/ren would like to take part we are asking for a donation of £1 per child which will go towards the Shine Charity. You can pay your donation online through ParentPay or if you are unable to do this, please give a donation to your child's class teacher.

This is not a compulsory event and if your child does not wish to take part then they should come to school in their uniform as normal.

Please remember.....



- Activate ParentPay Account
- · Payments for Kingswood
- School Dinner Payments
- Make Payment for trips
- Just a reminder that fidget toys should only be provided by the school and children should not be bringing them in to school with them.

Winter Weather

The weather is cold, please ensure that your child comes to school dressed appropriately for the weather and bring their coats (and jumpers) with them...... with their names in!



We love our planet...

Don't forget to bring your used batteries into the school reception area and deposit in our battery bin for recycling.



Term Dates and Events for the Spring and Summer Term

Please be aware that there have been some minor changes to a few of the dates since these dates were released in September.

SPRING TERM 2022

FEBRUARY 2022

Fri 11th Feb - Non-Uniform Day - SHINE Charity - Spina Bifida Awareness

14th - 18th Feb - Half-term week

21st Feb - 4th March - Fairtrade Fortnight

Wed 23rd Feb - Class Photo day



MARCH 2022

Mon 14th March - Parent Evening (3.30pm - 5.15pm)

Tue 15th March - Parent Evening (3.30pm - 7.30pm)

Mon 21st March - Conductive Music STEAM

Tue 22nd March - Conductive Music STEAM

Tues 22nd March - Year 5 Performance - 9.15am

Tues 22nd March - Year 5 Performance - 6.00pm

APRIL 2022

Fri 1st April - Easter Egg Raffle

Fri 1st April - End of term for pupils

Tue 19th April - Summer term starts for pupils

SUMMER TERM 2022

MAY 2022

Mon 2nd May - Bank Holiday

W/C 9th May - KS2 SATs Week

W/C 16th May - Sports Week

W/C 23rd May - Science Week

JUNE 2022

30th May to 6th June - Half-term week

Tue 7th June - Children return to school

Wed 15th June - KS1 Sports Day 9.30am

Wed 15th June - Reception Sports Day 2.00pm

Thur 16th June - KS2 Sports Day 9.15am

Sat 18th June - Friends Association Summer Fete

Mon 20th to Wed 22nd June - Kingswood Year 6 residential

Tue 21st June - RESERVE KS1 Sports Day 9.30am

Tue 21st June - RESERVE Reception Sports Day 2.00pm

Wed 22nd June - Afternoon - stay and play new Rec intake sessions

Thur 23rd June - RESERVE KS2 Sports Day 9.15am

Wed 29th - Fri 1st July - Year 4 Group 1 Sacrewell Residential

JULY 2022 T

Tue 5th July - Year 6 Performance 6.00pm

Wed 6th July - Transition / Move-Up Day - TBC

Thur 7th July - Reports home today

Mon 11th July - Open Afternoon 3.30 - 5.45pm

Wed 13th-Fri 15th July - Year 4 Group 2 Sacrewell Residential

Mon 18th July - Achievement Assembly 9am

Tue 19th July - Year 6 Leaver Assembly with parents 9.15am

Tue 19th July - End of term

Term Dates for 2021-2022

Spring Term 2022

Spring Term starts: Wednesday 5th January 2022

Half term: Monday 14th - Friday 18th February 2022

Spring Term ends: Friday 1st April 2022

Summer Term 2022

Summer Term starts: Tuesday 19th April 2022

May Day Bank Holiday: Monday 2nd May 2022

Half term: Monday 30th May - Monday 6th June 2022

(Children return after half term on Tuesday 7th June)

Summer Term ends: Tuesday 19th July 2022



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