

DRIFFIELD NORTHFIELD INFANT SCHOOL



'All Moving Forward Together'

3rd February 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

Here are a few items of news and information.



Musical Instruments

We are very excited that our Jumbie Jam steel pans, Boomwhackers and hand bells have arrived. These were purchased with the money we received from our Tesco Bags for Help. Mrs. Holtby from the School's Music service will be helping us learn to play these musical instruments. We will hopefully be able to start a music club and maybe even have a school band!

Punctuality

As you will be aware good attendance has a positive impact on pupil's achievement in school both academically and socially. We are proud of our high attendance rate which this term sits at 96%. However, it does appear that we have an increasing number of children arriving late to school, which does impact on individual children's learning. In all our classes teaching and learning starts as soon as the children enter the classroom and arriving even a few minutes late means that children are missing out on important teaching time. It is also important that children are entering the classroom at the same time as all the others because this can often impact on children's emotional wellbeing, making them feel different from the rest of the class. Irregular and late school attendance is monitored and under the Local Authority attendance policy this can lead to a fixed penalty of up to £1000 being issued to parents and carers. Foundation start at 9am, Bumblebees at 8.50am, Caterpillars at 9am and Year 2 at 9.10am. We have Breakfast Club available if you have other children to drop off.

Thank you for your continued support in ensuring all our children get the best opportunities to reach their potential.

Change of Menu

We have been informed by Nafferton kitchen that due to the difficulty getting a part for their oven there are some changes of menu in the next two weeks.

Wednesday 9th February it will be Sausages instead of roast chicken and Yorkshire pudding, with roast potato not mashed.

Thursday 10th February we will be having Margarita pizza, not chicken in a bun.



Tuesday 15th February it will Margarita pizza, not chicken with curry sauce.

Thursday 17th February we will be having sausage roll/cheese and onion roll in place of braised steak/ Quorn roast.

The desserts and the rest of the meals remain the same.

Random Acts of Kindness Day

We will be celebrating Random Acts of Kindness Day on Thursday 17th February. The children will be doing activities focused on kindness and will be encouraged to do random acts of kindness throughout the day.

Gardening and Wildlife

Our gardening and outdoor learning sessions have gone very well this half term and everyone seems to have enjoyed them. Below is the timetable for next half term's sessions. We intend to run these sessions whatever the weather so ask that on the day of your child's session they come to school dressed in outdoor clothes that are appropriate for that day's weather – sunhats and sun cream applied or clothes that are warm and that you don't mind getting muddy! If needed, outdoor shoes or wellies can be brought in a named bag.



Tuesday 1 st March	Dragonflies
Tuesday 8 th March	Grasshoppers
Tuesday 15 th March	Bumblebees
Tuesday 22 nd March	Bumblebees
Tuesday 29 th March	Butterflies
Tuesday 5 th April	Ladybirds

Bumblebees are having two sessions as they had their Wolds Gym visits this half term and missed their outdoor learning.

Caterpillars had two outdoor learning sessions this half term and their Wolds Gym visits next half term.

World Book Day 2022

It is World Book Day on Thursday 3rd March, but we will be celebrating it on Friday 4th March. We would like the children to bring their favourite book into school to share and come dressed either as their favourite book character or wear non-uniform if they prefer not to dress up. Every child will receive a World Book Day Token. When you get your book token, all you need to do is to take it to a bookshop and swap it for one of the twelve exclusive, new and completely free £1 World Book Day books. Or you can use it to get £1 off any audio book or book worth £2.99 or more. Tokens must be used before 27th March. Thank you.

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Parental Consultation Evenings



Our telephone Parental Consultation Evenings will be held the week commencing 7th March. Information and appointment times will be sent out by email shortly. Many thanks.

**We break up on Friday 18th February, thank you for all your support this half term.
We will see you back at school on Monday 28th February.**