

Good afternoon Parents and Carers

Proud

In my assembly today we shared how proud we are of all our pupils this half term.

We are proud of how much work and learning the children have taken such pride in and how much the children embrace our SRR values. Being Safe, Respectful and Ready To Learn. They are all such life skills and the children really understand that it is for everyone's benefit why we have these values at heart. We also reflected that it is OK to have wobbles or to make mistakes, they are all normal parts of being a human being - It is what we do to make things better that really matters. We have had a number of fantastic things shared on our twitter feed this term - from our Active April project that so many of you contributed to, right up to this week's contributions from years 3, 4 and 5. Take a look at <https://twitter.com/robwilkprimary>

I also reflected on how proud of our staff team I am. Regardless of role in school, we have a phenomenally hard working team who really strive to give the best experience they can for our children at all times during the day.

I am sure you join me in wishing the team a happy and well earned half term.

Looking ahead

There is much to look forward to after half term.

More exciting themes are on their way including, a whole STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) week, a culture week embracing arts and cultures and also a sports week. We may not be able to run full events how we would normally do, but we will certainly be ensuring that we create opportunities for the pupils to enjoy the summer term as well as learning a great deal.

Same rules apply

We have had many questions around whether there will be changes to the way we operate as Government announcements are made. With a school our size, we need to monitor Government advice very carefully and we will continue to do so.

As of Monday 7th June, it is very much a case of continuing with the safe practice we have so diligently followed.

So please keep following **our 8 Site Rules - They are working so please don't change!**

1. There should be **nobody** waiting outside or entering the school gates before 8:40 at the very earliest!
- 2 **One** parent only on site for drop off or collection
- 3 Keep your children **close to you AT ALL times** when you are on site.
We are afraid pick up time is not an extra playtime..... Please emphasise this with your children.
4. Give regular reminders to your children about '**Respecting each other's space**'.
- 5 **Wear masks on site** - this helps to mitigate the risk in the tight spots around school - where social distancing is a challenge (eg the two narrow paths around the edge of the school site)
- 6 **Maintain a distance** from each other wherever possible and clear the school grounds and gates as swiftly as possible too.
- 7 Year 5 & 6 may be **unaccompanied** but please remind your child of the expectations and we advise these age groups not to arrive at school before 8:45
- 8 **No dogs left at the front of school unaccompanied** please for the safety of everyone and of course your dog

PE kit reminder

We would like to continue to have children coming to school in **named** PE clothes on PE days. This works very well on many levels.

Please ensure that kit follows school policy and includes, dark jogging bottoms/or shorts, trainers, white t-shirt and a warm dark top (preferably not a hoody for safety reasons).

If you are unsure of your PE days, your class teachers will inform you. PE is likely to be outdoors whenever possible and please remember - NO jewellery for PE including earringsplease ensure your child can take them out if they do wear them. Leaving them at home that day is the best option.

Continued vigilance in the area

It saddens me to say that as we come out of lockdown, there are early signs that we may be targeted again by vandals. Police were in attendance last weekend and our alarms were activated last night. Please continue to be vigilant for us, especially over half term and do not hesitate to call the Police if you see youths on the school roof or indeed on site as it is not safe and those individuals are trespassing. Many thanks.

Many thanks, as ever, for your support.

Have a great weekend and half term and keep an eye out for a link being sent out from <https://yorkfestivalofideas.com/2021/> there are some super things on the horizon.

Chris Evans