



**Robert
Wilkinson**

PRIMARY ACADEMY

Newsletter

Tuesday 11th July 2023



So as another hugely successful school year draws to a close, I would like to thank you all for your help and support. Your children continue to impress us everyday as they work hard to bring our school vision to reality. They demonstrate how proud they are to work, learn and grow together.

We would like to wish all our school leavers (those in Year 6 and those who are moving on to other schools) lots of luck and remember to be the amazing confident learners you have become.

We hope you all enjoy some well deserved family time over the summer and we are already planning for and looking forward to welcoming you back for the new academic year.

STAFFING CHANGES

We are very sad to be losing a valuable team member at the end of term, Miss Bowler will be joining her new school in the new academic year. Miss Bowler has been a real asset to our school and she will be missed by us all.

Mrs Hopkins in Preschool will also be leaving us at the end of term for pastures new. Mrs Hopkins has worked at RWPA for many years and will be greatly missed.

As the end of term approached we have had a flurry of exciting news in school. Mrs Tiffany, Mrs Adams and Mrs Sharratt will be leaving us for a short while as they enjoy spending time with their new little ones on maternity leave. Mrs Adams will leave a half term and I am pleased to announce that we have appointed Mrs Jolly (who currently works as a HLTA in school) as the class teacher for Daffodil class on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Mrs Jolly is delighted to return to teaching and will be working with the children from September to ensure that the transition is a smooth one.

Mrs Tiffany will also leave us at half term. Mrs Parker will work alongside Mr David with Year 5.

Mrs Sharratt will remain with us until December and the governors and I are in the process of recruiting an experienced teacher to undertake her teaching commitment in Snowdrop class.

START AND END OF DAY ARRANGEMENTS

Please be aware that from September there will be no access to the playground in the afternoon before 3.10pm. This is to ensure that PE sessions are able to continue until this time whilst retaining our safeguarding procedures. There will be a new gate at the side of the pool which parents are asked not to open until 3.10pm. Thank you

CLASS	START TIME	ENTRANCE	END TIME
Willow	8.45	Classroom door	3.15
Oak		Classroom door	
Flowers	8.50	KS1 Playground	3.20
Year 3 and 4		KS2 playground near Year 3 door	
Year 5		KS2 playground near Year 5 door (old Year 4 door)	
Year 6		KS2 playground near Year 6 door	



UNIFORM

Moving into the new school year we will be implementing some changes around PE uniform. Although the children will still be able to wear their PE kit for PE days we are insisting on a unified approach. Children will no longer be able to wear uniform from other organisations or sports clubs. PE sweatshirt or zip ups should be plain black no logos or branding. Our uniform supplier has a suitable one that parents can order.

Leggings will only be considered as PE uniform and should not be worn for the rest of the week.

Full details of our uniform can be found on the school website.

PRICE INCREASES

Due to rising costs nationally, we are having to make increases to our services. We would like to reassure you that we have endeavoured to keep these in line with the cost of inflation.

	New price
Preschool sessions	£5.40 per hour
Breakfast club sessions	£4.50
After school club sessions	£9.90
School meals	£2.75

A MESSAGE FROM FORW

Friends of Robert Wilkinson are made up of volunteers, providing whatever time they can spare alongside their normal jobs to support school.

FORW needs your help with a range of events designed to raise money to give back to the children. Covid took so much away from the children and we believe it's time to give back. We hold a set number of Discos throughout the year which the children thoroughly enjoy. Volunteers help keep the children safe during the discos undertaking roles such as monitoring the doors and staffing the tuck shop. You do not have to be available for the full disco period, all help is welcome.

Volunteers also help run the tea /coffee stations during some school events, but mainly sports day.

In the last year FORW have been able to provide electricity to the tree house, assist funding towards the Year 6 residential, and have provided valuable funding towards the new Wraparound care facilities in school.

We held our first Christmas Fayre which was well received along with a fantastic Grotto. With more helpers from the start of this project we could help it grow, be more efficient and therefore raise more money. There are so many more ideas that could be undertaken but we are a small team and we need your help.

Let's work together and make all future events better for our children. Please support FORW, we need your help!

If you are interested in joining us in whatever capacity please contact Steve or Katrina on forw@ebor.academy

Thank you

COMMUNICATION

The partnership between home and school is very important to us and we know that there are times when you need to contact school staff. If you need to speak with a member of the teaching team you can of course speak with them at the start or end of the school day but we are aware that these are busy times and confidential conversations are not possible. There are however several alternatives, you can call into the school office to request

- a member of staff to telephone you at the end of the day
- an appointment to see a member of staff

You can also send an email to **admin.rws@ebor.academy** using the subject line to indicate who the email should be passed to.

If you would like to contact the leadership team you can use the **slt.rws@ebor.academy** email address.

Please can we politely request that you do not use individual members of staff email addresses.

END OF TERM ARRANGEMENTS

There will be several stalls on the front playground at noon on our last day of term. FORW will be selling sweets, our Librarians will be having a 50p book stall and some children in Year 4 have asked if they can run a charity craft stall.

BEHAVIOUR CHART CHANGES

We are always keen to reflect on our practices and listen to the views of everyone involved in our school. Our restorative practices are understood by all our children and the clarity of expectations ensures that behaviour in school is strong. As part of this process our classroom charts show when children move up the scale to wow or down to wobbly and unacceptable. Our school values and promotes wellbeing and we are aware that this can cause undue anxiety for the children who have moved to wobbly or unacceptable. With this in mind we have made the decision to move the wobbly and unacceptable cards to the teachers desk. This means that they are not on display in the classroom but staff working with the children are aware of those who need support to make some positive choices and move back to good.

When children are placed on unacceptable parents will still be contacted by the classteacher at the end of the day and consequences will be given. Whilst the vast majority of children remain on good, there are a minority of children who may make wrong choices on a more regular basis and this is something we want to address. With this in mind unacceptables will be monitored and if a child has three unacceptables in a half term period we will invite parents to a meeting with members of the school leadership team to discuss how we can support the child to make better choices.

Keeping children safe is everybody's responsibility

If you are worried about a child you can speak in confidence to your local children's safeguarding team on **01904 551900**.

Outside office hours, at weekends and on public holidays contact the emergency duty team telephone: **0300 131 2 131**

Please be aware your school's safeguarding lead is Mrs Evans and they are available in school hours to discuss your concerns.

Don't think 'What if I am wrong? Think 'What if I am right?'



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

You have told us that early notice of school events is appreciated so we are working hard to make this a reality. Here are some of the dates for the new academic year. More will be added as they are confirmed.

DATE	ACTIVITY
Friday 14th July	Disco night

Tuesday 18th July	Reports out to parents Year 6 Afternoon performance 1.30 MATILDA
Wednesday 19th July	Year 6 Evening performance 4.30 MATILDA Year 6 Graduation event till 8.00
Friday 21st July	Children break up at noon FORW tuck shop open at the end of school
Monday 24th July and Tuesday 25th July	Staff training days
SUMMER HOLIDAY	
Monday 4th September 2023	Staff training day
Tuesday 5th September	Children return to school
Thursday 12th October	Harvest assembly with donations to the Trussell Trust
Friday 20th October	Halloween discos
Week commencing 23rd October	Parent teacher appointments
Friday 27th October	School closes for half term
HALF TERM	
Monday 6th November	Children return to school INDIVIDUAL SCHOOL PHOTOS
Wednesday 8th November	Flowers classes visit the theatre
Wednesday 15th November	5-6pm New starters evening for reception intake of 2024
Friday 24th November	CHRISTMAS FAIR

Thursday 7th December	Christmas lunch and Christmas Jumper day
Friday 8th December	STAFF TRAINING DAY
Tuesday 12th December	Carol Concerts for Key Stage 2
Wednesday 13th December	5-6pm Trees Nativity Performance
Thursday 14th December	2-3pm Trees Nativity Performance
Friday 15th December	Christmas Discos
Friday 22nd December	School closes for Christmas holidays
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS	
Monday 8th January 2024	School opens for Spring term
Friday 9th February	School closes for half term
HALF TERM	
Monday 19th February	School opens
Tuesday 27th February	Parents of KS1 and KS2 to look at their child's books in the white and brown halls.
Thursday 7th March	WORLD BOOK DAY
Week commencing 11th March	Parent teacher appointments
Friday 22nd March	School closes for Easter holidays
EASTER HOLIDAYS	
Monday 8th April	School opens for summer term

Friday 12th April	STAFF TRAINING DAY
Monday 6th May	Bank Holiday - school closed
Week commencing 13th May	Key Stage 2 SATS tests
Friday 24th May	School closes for half term
HALF TERM	
Monday 3rd June	School opens
Monday 10th June	Class photos
Wednesday 12th June	6-7pm New Reception Parents meeting
Friday 14th June	Sports Day
Friday 21st June	Back up Sports Day
Monday 24th June	New classes announced
Friday 28th June	STAFF TRAINING DAY
Week commencing 1st July	SPORTS WEEK
Tuesday 16th July	Reports to parents Year 6 performance
Wednesday 17th July	Year 6 performance Graduation
Friday 19th July	School closes for Summer holidays

We have also added these dates to the school calendar on our website for your reference.

Looking for work in the school holidays?

Do you have experience and enjoy working with children, including those with additional needs?

We are looking for staff to work in our play and craft based holiday club.
8 - 5:30, no more than 3 days per week during August.

Flexible options available.
50% discount for your own children to attend!

For more information please email Claire Rigden.

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RAWCLIFFE NETBALL CLUB

WANT TO PLAY NETBALL?

RAWCLIFFE SPARKS JUNIOR NETBALL CLUB IS LOOKING FOR NEW JUNIORS TO PLAY COMPETITIVE NETBALL

We are a friendly & successful club, who welcome player whether you have played before or not.
Years 3 - 11

6pm is for Years 3 - 7
7pm is for Years 8 & 9
8pm is for Years 10 & 11

Training is at
Huntington School Sports Hall
For more information please email:
rawcliffejuniorsnetball@outlook.com



MINI ATHLETICS

SUPERSTAR HOLIDAY CAMP

The Mini Athletics Superstar Holiday Camp

Week 2 of Summer Holidays Mon 31 st July – Fri 4 th Aug	Week 6 of Summer Holidays Tues 29 th Aug – Fri 1 st Sept
Manor Church of England Academy, 8.30am -12.30pm	

Open to children in Pre School, Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3
£17 per child per day

FREE PLACES for children who are in receipt of benefits related free school meals through the Government's Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme.
Email rwilson@miniathletics.com to find out more.

All children will receive a healthy breakfast and packed lunch.
To book your place go to www.miniathletics.com/holiday-camps

THE SUPERSTAR HOLIDAY CAMP

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Best wishes
Donna Bedford

Headteacher

DON'T MISS THESE COMMUNITY EVENTS

[Twenty Two Kicks](#) are a small Yorkshire business who clean up shoes. They have recently announced that they want people to donate old school shoes (shoes, trainers and football boots), which they will then clean up over summer and then donate to other children in York who need them, to help with the cost of living crisis.

Drop off points available are:

City Screen, Picturehouse Cinema

Spark: York Piccadilly

Pocklington Arts Centre

York Community Stadium, Monks Cross

Web Adventure Park, Clifton Moor



North Yorkshire Community Messaging

This service allows members of the public to register to receive alerts, crime notifications and community news from North Yorkshire Police, this also includes businesses and schools within our communities in York to sign up to. This allows us to create an appropriate list of contacts and be able to reach out to you with crime prevention advice, this is a free service, and the information comes to your email only. (There are no text messages pinging away all day and night.)

Please feel free to sign up as a school or personally on the link below or scanning the QR code

Want to know what is going on in your area? (which you will not find on Social Media). Sign up to Community Messenger - [Home Pae - North Yorkshire Community Messaging](#)



