



**INSPIRE NURTURE BELIEVE ACHIEVE**

*Working **together** to be the **best** that we can be.*



*Ecclesiastes 4:9:*

*Two are better than one; because they have a good reward for their labour.*



## 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2024 – weekly bulletin

### Working Together for Excellent Attendance.

Well done to Sycamore Class who had the best attendance this week with 100% attendance!



### Absences

Please can families make a **phone call each day their child is unwell** and either leave a voicemail or speak to a member of staff. This should be on every day that they are absent. **This can be followed up with an email.**

This is in case a member of staff needs to ask any supplementary questions – it is part of the commitment to safeguarding to ensure that we are speaking to families about absences and that we have the chance to check in and see if our families require any support or assistance.

### **Safeguarding - Dropping off and picking up**

Please can we ask that when you are dropping off and collecting your children during before and after school or during school hours that you use the cricket club car park, the Bay Horse Car Park or park further away from school for on street parking.



School has received several complaints from the residents of the village listed below:

- Cars pulling out without indicating and speeding off out of the village
- Parking opposite a road junction or drive way, preventing residents pulling out safely
- Turning in the road junction into oncoming cars
- Getting children into and out of the car onto the main road with car doors open blocking the way for oncoming traffic

We need to make sure that our children and the residents of the village are safe, so we ask that you are courteous when bringing and collecting your child/ren from school.

Villagers have the right to involve the police and make a formal complaint so please ensure courteous and safe driving.

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## Update on school meals

The new menu for after half term was emailed to parents earlier this week – I'm sure you will agree that it looks exciting, healthy and interesting. We are pleased to be able to offer a choice of four meals - there is a meat option, vegetarian option, sandwich or jacket potato each day – though please note Mondays are meat free so there are two vegetarian choices on Mondays.

You should have also received meal ordering sheets for the 5 weeks between half term and Easter. Please complete and return these as soon as possible to help us collate meal numbers for the caterers.

If you did not receive meal order sheets please contact the school office for a replacement set.

**If you have received an allergens sheet, please complete this ASAP.**

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## Oak Residential

We are currently completing Risk Assessments etc. for Carlton Lodge Residential which takes place on **18<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024**. There will be a meeting on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February at 5pm on Teams. Link to follow.

- **Please complete the paperwork that is being sent home and return it to school ASAP.**
- **Please check that your payments and make sure they are up to date as the payments fall into this financial year in the school budget.**

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## Movie Night

FROGS are hosting a movie night on **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February**. For more information and to book a place please speak to one of the FROGS representatives.

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## Monday 5<sup>th</sup> Feb – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> Feb is Children's Mental Health Week



The teachers will be incorporating this theme into their lessons over the week.

They will also be exploring **Safer Internet Day** which falls on **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February**.

The children can wear a **GREEN** item with their uniform on Monday.

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## Sweet Chestnut Educational Visits

**Big Sheep & Little Cow Farm**

The KS1 visit to Big Sheep & Little Cow Farm has been put back one day to **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February**. Details to follow.

Sweet Chestnut will be attending a Dance Festival at Ashville College on **12th March**.

**Please return permission slips for the coach transport to school.**

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## PE Kit

Please note children should wear a white t-shirt for PE.

Children should not be wearing their school white polos for PE as they are becoming sweaty, muddy or damp due to inclement weather.

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## World book day – 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024

We will be once again taking part in some themed activities on World Book Day. This does not necessarily mean that children will dress up as book characters. More information will be sent in due course once the English Subject Leader has explored the options. **Do not purchase any costumes etc. until further information is sent.**



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### URGENT - Information to share with Parents and Staff– Funding Support from the Government

We have funding available through our Health Through Warmth Project to help vulnerable residents with the cost of gas repairs and servicing. This funding must be allocated by the end of February as the scheme finishes end of March, so the information would need to go out as soon as possible.

The funding is available to Homeowners who meet certain income thresholds AND have a relevant health condition as shown below. The applicant would need to find a gas safe registered contractor to do the work if it's outside Scarborough or Ryedale areas as I do not know contractors across other areas.

Anyone who needs a gas repair/boiler service etc and believes they meet the relevant criteria can apply to [Choices4Energy.sca@northyorks.gov.uk](mailto:Choices4Energy.sca@northyorks.gov.uk) . Someone will then confirm details with applicants and process an application to the scheme.

Further details can be found in the table below.

ITEM	CRITERIA
Tenure	Owner Occupiers only
Funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Works up to £350 can be funded 100%</li><li>• Works over £350 receive contribution towards cost, client contribution needed</li></ul>
Type of work – Repairs and replacement of:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Boilers</li><li>• Central heating systems</li><li>• Gas fires</li><li>• Hot water tanks</li><li>• Gas cookers</li></ul>
Household income thresholds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• &lt;£31k net income – household inc child &lt; 5 or pregnant</li><li>• &lt;£25k net income – household inc child &lt;16 or adult &gt;60 years</li><li>• &lt;£20k net income – single occupant</li></ul>
Eligible Health Conditions:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Respiratory diseases such as COPD, emphysema, chronic bronchitis, and severe asthma</li><li>• Cardiovascular diseases such as heart disease and stroke;</li><li>• Diabetes types 1 and 2;</li><li>• Arthritis;</li><li>• Reduced mobility;</li><li>• Cancer;</li><li>• Terminal illnesses;</li><li>• Mental illnesses such as depression, schizophrenia and bipolar disorder;</li><li>• Severe head injuries resulting in disability</li><li>• Psoriasis.</li></ul>

Have a great weekend!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Zoe Ellis'.

Mrs Zoe Ellis  
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