



The Wolds and Vale Federation

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'One federation family, with transformation at its heart'

Friday 20th November 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Certificates

Stars of the week -

Class 1 – Maisy C- for brilliant independent working.

Class 2 – Arya H- for her amazing stickability when reading longer texts and her wonderfully positive attitude to all areas of the curriculum.

Children receiving praise postcards from the headteacher this week –

Ellie C and Belle L

Deighton S and Jack C

School lunches next week

Monday – Sausages and roast potatoes

Tuesday – Cheesy pizza

Wednesday – Chicken korma

Thursday – Minced beef and mashed potato

Friday – Fish chips and peas

You may have noticed that our 'strap line' or header to our newsletter has changed recently. Pre, mid and post 'lockdown' the staff and governors of our schools have been working hard to define the **vision of the Wold and Vale Federation** and take into the account the ever changing priorities and needs of all our pupils. I am proud of how we have developed our curriculum over this and the last academic year with a greater emphasis on reading skills and to this end have devised a simple sentence that sums up the complete vision of our two schools:

"All children become active learners through a high quality and inspirational curriculum which leaves children with the ambition to want to know more"

We will do this by instilling a love of reading and research and allowing children to follow their own interest by being knowledgeable, being creative, being positive, being collaborative, being reflective, being curious and being adventurous.

This is at the heart of all that we do in our schools.

Every part of the children's school day is based around one or more of our 7Bs. You may have heard them talk about it at home or you may not (as it is still early in the process of embedding this with all children). As we move through this year we will strive to ensure that these 7Bs are part of the children's everyday school life and have a big impact on their ability to learn in and outside school. We will, of course, be seeking your thoughts on how we are getting on!



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Class 1 and 2

Today all children will bring home letters for consent for Class Dojo. We are using this more and more in school and hope to share Christmas activities and performances with you via this platform. Please can you sign and return the 2nd sheet for each child. You will notice it has a raffle ticket attached, please leave this attached and we will enter you and your child into a prize draw to win a box of chocolates and an advent calendar if you return the form by Wed 25th Nov! Please complete and return for your chance to win!!



Christmas

Our Christmas celebrations will be a little different in school this year but we promise not to lose any of the usual magic and sparkle! Unfortunately, we won't be able to hold the usual fair, play, panto visit and family lunches. These will be replaced by festive fun in each Class bubble. The staff are busy preparing lots of exciting things for the children to enjoy. We will let you know via the newsletter and class dojo what is happening and when in December.

Christmas cards

We are allowing Christmas cards to come into school for distribution if families would like to send them. The post box will be available from Monday 7th Dec to Friday 11th Dec. Cards will then be quarantined, sorted and sent home the following week.

Winter Flu immunisation

The immunisation team will be visiting school on Thursday 26th November to immunise the children who have given consent.

Reception places for September 2021

FAO Parents of Nursery Children (born between 1 September 2016 and 31 August 2017)

If you have a child who falls into the age range above they are due to start school in September 2021 and you must apply for a primary school place for them to start in Reception.

Important – you must apply for a school place even if your child has an older sibling at the school or they are attending the nursery attached to the school. You can apply for a Reception place at a primary school for your child from 12 October 2020 and the deadline to submit your application is 15 January 2021. www.northyorks.gov.uk/school-admissions



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2 year old's Golden tickets

From November 2020, North Yorkshire will be sending out the new Golden Ticket Letters to eligible 2 year olds. All parents who are newly eligible will be sent a Golden Ticket letter stating that their child will be entitled for up to 15 hours of Government funding childcare provision per week for 38 weeks per year. In the Golden Ticket letter, parents will be asked to contact a NYCC childcare provider to discuss their child's place. We are accepting children at play school so please pass on our details if you know of anyone receiving a letter.



Chat, Read,
Sing, Play

Have a relaxing weekend

Mr Taylor