

FOSTON PRIMARY SCHOOL BULLETIN

Nursery & Reception

This week the children in Nursery and Reception have started our new topic, 'Under the Sea' and enjoyed naming different ocean animals. We have started looking at our literacy text, 'Rainbow Fish' as well. The children have been superstars this week adapting to all the changes at the start and end of the day. They have also loved playing outside in our new outdoor area on the field whilst the new classroom is being constructed. This has given them even more chance for outdoor play and to develop these skills.



Fantastic Friday

The children in Nursery and Reception have a brilliant time on Fantastic Friday focussing on road safety. We had a special visit from the fire service who taught the children about crossing the road safely, remembering 'stop, look, listen, think'. The best part of all was riding our scooters following and remembering a specific route and remembering to keep ourselves safe whilst riding our scooters.



Year 1 & 2

The week before half term we had a fantastic trip to Flamingo Land. We really enjoyed talking about the classification of different animals and exploring the zoo and looking at a lot of different animals there. We had a great time!



Year 3 & 4

We had a amazing day on our last day before half term exploring different bikes and learning all about road safety. As you can see from the pictures the children loved it, even the adults did too!

As we are coming into our final half term before the summer holidays, we have an exciting few weeks coming up. We are focusing on our end of term Roman play in English and developing our knowledge of measurement in mathematics. In geography we are building locational knowledge and in science we are exploring the digestive system. Dave will be continuing to teach singing mixed with drumming which we know the children will love and we will be learning Makaton in languages.



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KS2 Countryside Trip

On Wednesday 14th, KS2 will be attending the Harrogate Countryside day trip. Pupils are required to arrive at school for **8am to leave for 8:15am**. The estimated return time back at school is 3:45pm. Please can we ask that pupils wear their school uniform and come prepared for all weathers. Most events will take place outside, therefore can we ask that suitable footwear, which can get muddy, is worn. If the weather is warm, please can pupils bring a sun hat and cream. **All pupils are required to bring a packed lunch**. Can we please ask that parents **tick consent on parent pay** prior to the trip to ensure your child can attend.

Menu Change

Due to KS2 trip next Wednesday we have swapped Wednesday and Thursday menu option around, Wednesday will be spaghetti bolognese and Thursday will be gammon dinner.

Times table check—Year 4

The statutory times table check will be taking place the week commencing 12th June. Please can we ask that pupils continue to practice their times tables at home in preparation for this.

Phonics screening—Year 1

Next week, Year 1 children will be completing the national phonics screening check. This is a short, statutory assessment to ensure that children are making progress in the phonics skills to read words and are on track to become fluent readers who can enjoy reading for pleasure and for learning. The test contain 40 words. Each child sits one to one and reads each word aloud to their class teacher in a quiet place. If you have any questions regarding this, please contact the office or speak to the class teacher.

KS1 Dalby Forest Trip

We are pleased to be taking our KS1 (year 1 & 2) children on a trip on Friday 14th July across the three schools to Dalby Forest. They will enjoy multiple activities including exploring the forest and the surrounding area and taking part in wildlife conservation activities provided for us by the centre, linking to our geography and science topics. The cost of the trip is £5.50 per child, this will be added to ParentPay. Please speak to the office if you have any additional circumstances that you would wish to discuss. Please also ensure that you have given permission for your child to go on trips via ParentPay. Packed lunches will be needed for all of the children, please contact the office if you require one to be ordered before June 22nd.

Please drop your children off at 8.45am on this day to ensure the timing of the trip is kept to and the day runs smoothly, children will return to school by 3.15pm. Pupils should wear school uniform as usual with sturdy and practical shoes and should bring a jacket and a water bottle, their packed lunch, along with a sunhat and sun cream (weather dependent). If you do not want your child to go, please speak to your class teacher.

We are very lucky to be able to offer this trip at a drastically reduced price due to the generosity of PAFFs. They have provided £100 towards to cost of the trip for the children at Foston, reducing the cost for all children. Thank you PAFFs!

National Book Tokens

We are currently raising money for our future library space in school and would love your help! Please can we ask parents and friends support by entering our school into the drawer for the chance to win £1,000 so we can buy library books. This will take no longer than 2 minutes of your time.

https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools?utm_source=nbt&utm_medium=email&utm_content=nominate-your-school&utm_campaign=20230606_schools

Thank you for your support!



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Mrs Sarah Moore

Message from the Headteacher

Staffing 2023-24

It's lovely to see all of the children back again after the half-term break! As we move into the last part of this school year, I wanted to share with you our revised staffing arrangements for the academic year 2023-2024.

We will be sharing with the children, shortly, who their new class teacher will be.

Stillington



Miss Katie Allwood

Infants (Early Years,
Year 1 & 2)



Mrs Catherine Hunter

Juniors (Years 3,4,5 and 6)

Terrington



Miss Sarah Birdsall

EYFS (Nursery & Reception)



Mrs Steph Rutherford

KS1 (Year 1 & 2)



Miss India Tordoff

Juniors (Years 3,4,5 and 6)

Foston



Miss Zara Midwood & Mrs Vicki Allon

EYFS (Nursery & Reception)
Mon/Wed/Thu/Fri Tue



Miss Sarah Richmond & Mrs Philippa Scaife

KS1 (Years 1 & 2)
Mon/Tue/Wed am Wed pm/Thu/Fri



Mr Chiu Yip

Lower KS2
(Years 3 & 4)



Mr Matt Marshall

Upper KS2
(Years 5 & 6)

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Idling

This week we have been celebrating World Environment Day and the children have continued to learn about looking after our environment. It has been brought to our attention that at collection time a few parents are idling whilst waiting for the children to be collected from school. Please can we ask that car engines are turned off at this time. Please can we refer you to the Engine Idling Law below:

Engine Idling Law

According to Rule 123 of The Highway Code, drivers must not leave a parked vehicle unattended with the engine running or leave a vehicle engine running unnecessarily while the vehicle is stationary.

We thank you for your support in looking after our environment. We also understand that drop off time can be a busy time of the day. If possible, can we ask that families walk to school.



Diary Dates

Countryside Day Trip (year 3/4/5/6 only)	Wednesday 14th June (8am drop off)
Year 6 Leavers Photo	Friday 16th June
Year 5 Experience Day, Malton School	Tuesday 27 th June
Sports Day	Tuesday 4th July (reserve day 6th July), time tbc
KS2 Performance (Thornton-le-Clay village hall)	Thursday 13th July, 5.30pm
Dalby Forest Trip (year 1 & 2 only)	Friday 14th July
Y6 Leavers' Service (Thornton-le-Clay village hall)	Wednesday 19th July, 2.30pm
Holiday Dates (last day at school)	Friday 21st July
School Photos (individual/siblings)	Friday 15th September