Tickton C.E. Primary School

I have come so that you might have life – life in all its fullness' John 10:10

Newsletter

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Welcome back!

A very warm welcome to all of our new families and our returning families. We hope that you have all enjoyed the lovely weather this summer and we look forward to working with you all over the coming year. It has been such a pleasure to welcome all of the children back into school this week and to hear our school fill with the sound of chatter and laughter. It is going to be a great year!

This week all staff spent the training days completing statutory safeguarding training and further essential training linked to the needs of our children. You will also notice that we have had our fencing upgraded to ensure the site continues to be secure. This has also given us the chance to create a quiet reflection area for the children to access at playtimes and we will be working with the children to develop that area further over the coming weeks.

Mental Health Parent's Workshop

The Schools Mental Health Support Team are running a parent workshop that covers the importance of routines, boundaries and sleep to support children's social, emotional and mental health. This workshop has been run in other primary schools and parents have found it very useful. The workshop will be held on Thursday, 17th September 1:30-3pm in the school hall. The service will need a minimum of 5 parents to sign up to make the workshop viable so please let the office know if you plan to attend.

Upcoming diary dates

The PFA are holding their 1st planning meeting of the year on Wednesday, 24th October. This is a really important meeting where plans for the school year are made including ideas for a replacement for the Christmas fair, the viability of the school discos and other fund-raising ideas. Please do come along!

Class 6 parents are invited to join their children in school for some orienteering at 9:20am on Tuesday, 29th September.

Miss Ingham will be running a 'Phonics information' meeting for Class R parents to explain how we teach children to read and how parents can help their child with this. The meeting will be held on Wednesday, 30th September @ 5pm. Please note this meeting is for adults only but should only last around half an hour.

SEND parents meetings will be held the week beginning the 5th October and all other parents' meetings will be offered for the week beginning 12th October. Invites to make an online appointment and any support plans will be sent out in due course.

The PFA Halloween Disco is expected to be held on 22nd October. This will be dependent on the PFA having enough volunteers to organise, prepare and run the event.

OPAL Play

If your child does not yet have wellies and an appropriate outdoor coat available in school each day, please can you arrange them as soon as possible. The children will be playing out in all weathers so will be much more comfortable when dressed appropriately and they may not be able to access some of the wonderful outdoor play areas if they do not the appropriate clothing.

Attendance Matters

New statutory guidance for schools mean that attendance issues can now be classed as a safeguarding concern and so schools must respond robustly. Please prioritise school attendance and arriving on time so that children can access the education they are entitled to. Good attendance is identified as at least 95%. If we have concerns about your child's attendance, we will contact you and may also seek support from other children's agencies. If you have any difficulties with attendance, please get in touch so that we can work with you to try to make things easier.

Important Allergy information

We have a number of children in school who suffer severe anaphylaxis allergic reaction to different types of foods and substances. Some allergies are so severe that they can be triggered even if the allergen is in the same building. With this in mind, can I please remind you that school must remain strictly, nut free. So that we can ensure this is the case, we ask that you do not send any type of chocolate spread into school as we are unable to identify which ones are safe and some pre-packed foods containing chocolate spread do contain nuts. All staff have completed allergy training, so with your support, we can keep all of the children safe.

Traffic Safety

Unfortunately, we have already been contacted by a very frustrated and worried local resident due the dangerous and illegal parking at the entrance to Scotts Garth Close. On behalf of all of the children and local residents, please park safely and legally when bringing children to school. The 'Park & Stride' at Cullington Fields remains the very best option. We will continue to do our best to keep the village safe but we cannot do this without the engagement of all families. I am once again sharing the link you can use to report any vehicle you see parking illegally.

https://www.eastriding.gov.uk/environment/roads-streets-traffic-and-parking/parking/parking-issue/

I have also contacted East Riding traffic enforcement and our PCSO to ask again if there is any further support or actions available to us.

A very fond farewell

Today we say an emotional goodbye to Mrs Vokes as she heads off to begin a new adventure. Mrs Vokes has been a much loved and appreciated member of Team Tickton for 17 years and I have been lucky enough to spend 15 of those years working closely with her, every day in Class R. Mrs Vokes has always gone above and beyond to care for our children, families and colleagues. She has also spent much of her own time (with the support of a very patient Mr Vokes), sourcing and collecting resources to enhance the school's play offer. She has been a huge part of our OPAL project. Mrs Vokes has been offered a place at university to become a qualified social worker so that she will then be able to help even more children and families. We know that she will be absolutely amazing in that role. We will all miss her very much and hope that she will always find her way home to Tickton School whenever she needs a friend.

The BIG Question

If new beginnings had a sound, what would it be?

Children mentioned in Good Work assembly:
(This can be for a good piece of work in any subject, good effort or for showing resilience etc.)
Y1: Mima Y2: Lincoln Y3: Arlo Y4: Brian Y5: Emily Y6: Alice

Children mentioned for demonstrating any one of our School Christian values:
Y1: Charlotte Y2: James Y3: Phoebe Y4: Ashley Y5: Bobby Y6: Haydn

Children in Class R are settling beautifully and will join us in our celebration assembly later in the term.

Do you or anyone you know receive Universal Credit? If you fit the criteria please apply for Free School Meals as, as well as helping you at home, we are then able to access some extra funding to support the children in school. https://www.eastriding.gov.uk/learning/schools-colleges-and-academies/school-meals/free-school-meals/

Tickton Play Pals after school club continue to offer a completely flexible and parent led service to meet your childcare needs before and after school. Pease text Helen on 07717175689 to book your sessions as needed. They are open from 7:30 am for school drop off and after school pick up until 5:30pm.



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Feedback: We do appreciate your feedback as it helps us to improve our school further as well as celebrate the things that have gone well, so if you are happy – or not – about something, please let us know.

Parental Feedback: Date:
Feedback/ Issue:

Name:
Would you like an appointment with Ms Anderson to discuss this further?

You can also share your thoughts and opinions, both positive and negative, of our school through the Ofsted site Parent View either by using this address/link, https://**parentview**.ofsted.gov.uk, or typing 'Parent View' into Google.

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