

AMOTHERBY COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER 13th January 2017

Pop in and take a look at our library Over the Christmas holidays we have had some super work done in the library which has totally transformed it. We have created a stimulus for creative writing and an area to engage all readers. The best thing about it is the children LOVE IT!!! Please pop in when you are free and take a look, let us know what you think!

Thank you for all the positive and encouraging feedback we have received so far. Please remember the invitation is there at your convenience.

Reading Challenge The children have been very enthusiastic about taking part in the continued whole school reading challenge last term. Just to let you know we are continuing the challenge this term, so remember KEEP READING!!!

Class Assemblies All Parents, carers and friends of the school are invited to their child's class assembly. Assemblies start promptly at 2.30pm and finish at 3.10pm. The assemblies are as follows:

Friday 17th February Year 4

Friday 3rd March – Year 3

Friday 10th March - Year 2

Friday 17th March – Year 1

Friday 31st March – Year 6

Friday 7th April – Year 5

Instrumental Music Lessons Mr Coates came into Tuesday's assembly and demonstrated many of the instruments he teaches children. Along with much giggling and fun the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Congratulations go to Connie Fox who passed with merit her Grade 1 clarinet, a pupil of Mr Coates.

For further information about instrumental lessons please contact the Admin Office. Music teachers and lessons in school include:

Mr Coates – recorder, clarinet, flute and brass

Mr Conlan – violin, ukulele, keyboard and piano

Mr Wheeler - guitar

Severe Weather Conditions In the event of our school being closed due to bad weather conditions please listen to **Radio York 103.7FM** or **Minster Radio 104.7FM** from 7am onwards where school closures will be announced. Also please check the radio stations' websites. The safety of the children is given the highest priority. If we do stay open and have experienced snow, then please send the children in appropriate clothing as we will take advantage of the outdoor weather at playtimes.

Absences from school Please can I remind you that if your child is ill and absent from school please ring or email the Admin team to inform them of the absence before the start of school at 8.55am. If your child has a medical appointment, dance or instrumental exam during the day then please can you inform us in writing.

End of Day Arrangements Please could you write in your child's planner if your child's arrangements are different at the end of the day. If your circumstances change during the day then please phone school before 2.45pm, before the children go into assembly, so information can be passed to the relevant staff. We want to ensure all children get home safely. As a matter of safeguarding we will not release your child to an adult if we are not aware of the arrangements.

Contact Details If any of your contact details have changed over the holidays please inform the Admin Team as soon as possible as we may need to contact you.

School Dinners and Fruit This half term School Dinners will total £67.20 and Fruit will be £3.50.

After school clubs Junior football started Thursday 12th January, this will be inside due to weather conditions. Unfortunately Infant football will not be running this half term. All staff lead clubs will start week beginning Monday 23rd January. Year 6 will be offering some breaktime clubs with teacher supervision, the children will be informed of these each week.

Bags 2 School There will be a collection on **Tuesday 24th January**. Please leave bags in the waiting area at the top of the path.

Amotherby Trust Fund We are a charity who give financial assistance to persons under the age of 25 who are resident in the parishes of Appleton, Easthorpe, Amotherby, Swinton and Broughton towards their education. Meetings are held 3 or 4 times a year with the next on 15th February 2017. Applications for assistance should be sent Mrs P Taylor, 2 Honeysuckle Cottage, Musley Bank, Malton YO17 6TD

Members of the Governing Body from January 2017

Ann Hall - Chair of Governors
Chris Davies - Vice Chair of Governors
Sally Raines - Parent Governor
Paul Simpson - Parent Governor
Becky Bennett - Parent Governor
Linda Clarke - LA Governor
Janet Castle - Non - Teacher Governor
Matthew Baggaley - Teacher Governor
Sue Knowles - Headteacher
Liz Wilson - Clerk to Governors

Dates for Diaries – we will update you as more events are confirmed

January

Tuesday 24th – Bags 2 School Collection
Friday 27th – Chinese New Year - The Rooster
Monday 30th – National Story Telling Week
Monday 30th – ASV Meeting 6pm

February

Thursday 2nd – Chinese Dinner
Tuesday 7th – Safer Internet Day
Wednesday 8th – Bronze Ambassador meeting
Wednesday 15th – Parents' Evening
Thursday 16th – Parents' Evening
Friday 17th – HALF TERM

School Closes for Half term - Friday 17th February
School Opens - Monday 27th February

School Closes for Easter Break – Friday 7th April

Sue Knowles (Head)

School Opens – Tuesday 25th April

