

AMOTHERBY COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL
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NEWSLETTER 8th September 2017

WELCOME

Welcome to the new academic year 2017-2018. I hope you all had an enjoyable summer.

It was wonderful to see the children arriving this week, all very excited to share their news and being greeted by their teachers. We have had an excellent and very settled start to the term. All Staff and Governors are looking forward to working with you this year and continuing the strong partnership established to provide the best possible standards of education and care for your children.

Welcome to: Joseph Dale, David-James Farrow, Evie Harrison, Edward Butler, Jacob Farrow, Rory Smith, William Bumby, Amelia Revis, Leo Mortimer, Harry Henderson, India Brown, Cecilie Wilcox, Thomas Best, Persephone Dudley, Noah Newsome, Elida Hadfield, Henry Renwick, Bradley cooper, Thomas Durham, Zak Lavender, Kaitlin Willie, Chloe Poole and Oscar Pulling.

I would like to send my best wishes to all Year 7s starting their new school this week. If you get chance please have a look at the new outdoor learning area on the Junior playground.

Class Arrangements for 2017-2018 – Autumn term

Reception – Mrs Ramley
Year 1 – Miss Cooper
Year 2 – Mrs Spittal
Year 3 – Mrs Aconley and Mrs Alcroft
Year 4 – Miss Douthwaite
Year 5 – Mr Baggaley
Year 6 – Mrs Poole and Mrs Stevenson

Start and Finish times

Just a reminder that school starts at 8.55am. There will be staff supervision on the playgrounds from 8.45am and school finishes at 3.20pm. Collection for all children will be from the Infant playground. If you would like your child to walk home then please send a note into their class teacher. If you walk your dog to school please leave them at the main gate as dogs are not permitted on the premises. To help alleviate parking on the main road and Cherry Tree Walk please park at the Queens Head or the Village Hall. This really does help the village run smoothly at our peak times of day. Many thanks in anticipation! Please be aware that Traffic Wardens will be out and about making sure cars are not parked on the yellow zigzag areas.

End of day arrangements

Please ring/send a note into school to tell the class teacher if arrangements are changing for your child at the end of the day. We will not release your child to another adult if we have not been informed by you. This is a matter of safeguarding for all children.

Adult Volunteers

If you would like to help on a regular or occasional basis in school then please contact Mrs Swift in the school office. There is always plenty to do, for example listening to children read, helping with group activities, baking, supporting IT work, or helping at an after school club. We are really desperate for helpers to keep the school garden areas neat and tidy. The staff value your help but also recognise how busy you all are. There will always be a hot drink, a biscuit and a warm welcome waiting for you!

Free School Meals

Your child may be eligible for free school meals if you receive benefits or credits and your child is in the Junior classes. All Infant children now receive free school meals. In North Yorkshire this also gives you free access to residential visits and trips. Forms are available from the Admin Team.

After School Sports Clubs

Mattie (from Malton Sports Hall) will be running Sports clubs starting 12th September. Starting Tuesday 12th September (3.30pm-4.30pm) for Year 3 –Year 6 Sports Club a chance to come along and play different sports each week – Rugby, Cricket, Dodge Ball, Hockey and many more
Starting Thursday 14th September (3.30pm- 4.30pm) Football club for Year 3 – Year 6.
Each session will cost £4 to be paid to Mattie on the day.

Cleaning Assistant Vacancy

Cleaning Assistant post for 10 hours per week at £7.78 per hour. For more details please follow the link below, via the NYCC website.

https://atsv7.wcn.co.uk/search_engine/jobs.cgi?SID=amNvZGU9MTY3NDUyMSZvd25lci01MDUwMDE3Jm93bmVydHlwZT1mYWlyJnBvc3RpbmdfY29kZT00MigmdnRfdGVtcGxhdGU9MTE5Nw

School Milk

If you would like your child to have milk at lunchtime then please register with www.coolmilk.com children under 5 are entitled to free milk. Any queries please see the Admin Team.

Important changes

It is important we can contact you in the case of an emergency. Please notify Mrs Swift, our Senior Admin Assistant, of any changes to your personal details, address and phone numbers which have or may occur during the academic year.

Walking Home If you wish your child to walk home at the end of the school day please send a note to their class teacher. Please ensure your child knows what to do if arrangements change and you send a note into school or you are held up and your child has to wait. We want to ensure your child gets home safely.

Medication In School

If your child needs medication during the school day please fill in a medical form to accompany the medication with all the relevant details. This form is available from the Admin Office or you can download it from the website. If your child needs lip balm or cough sweets during the school please can you send a letter to the class teacher. We have children with allergies in school and these items will need to be handed into their class teacher.

Music Lessons in School

If you would like your child to have instrumental lessons we offer keyboard, recorder, violin, flute, cornet, ukulele and guitar. Just ask at the office for a price list and further details. All music lessons start next week : Mr Coates Tuesday, Mr Wheeler Wednesday and Mr Conlan Thursday.

Rotary Club The Rotary Club are running a 10km Trail Race, 5/4km Junior and Children's Races on Sunday 17th September starting at 11am at Norton College. For more details please visit 222.bookitzone.com

MSA

We have a vacancy for a midday supervisor for 3 lunchtimes a week (1hour per day) to start as soon as possible. If you are interested or want to find out more about the job then please contact the Admin Office.

Dates for Diaries – Please be aware some dates may change or be added

School clubs will start Monday 18th September

September

Tuesday 12th - Woodwind lessons start (Mr Coates)

Tuesday 12th – Sports Club Year 3 to Year 6 (3.30pm -4.30pm)

Wednesday 13th – Guitar lessons start (Mr Wheeler)

Thursday 14th – Violin, ukulele and keyboard lessons start (Mr Conlan)

Thursday 14th – Football Club Year 3 to Year 6 (3.30pm-4.30pm)

Friday 15th – Year 5 to Sports Hall

Monday 18th – After school clubs start

Wednesday 20th – Reception Class 'Reading and Numeracy' morning for parents

Monday 25th - Year 6 Bikeability all week

Tuesday 26th – Year 6 SATS Information for Parents 6pm
9.10am start.

October

Sunday 1st – Sponsored Walk at Castle Howard

Wednesday 4th – Walk In Wednesday for Reception class parents

Sunday 8th – Buffet at the Queens Head

Friday 13th – Infants Harvest Festival

Friday 13th Quiz Night

Wednesday 18th – Parents' Evening

Thursday 19th - Parents' Evening

Thursday 19th – Individual and Family Photos

Friday 20th – Year 3 Assembly

Friday 20th – Non –Uniform Day £1

Friday 20th – Super Schools Final

Friday 20th – School closes for Half Term

Sue Knowles (Head)