

'Sowing seeds of success: growing courageous learners'

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Dear Parents,

Our new Reception children are delightful and have settled into school really well. To help them gain more independence, from next Monday we are going to encourage them to come in to school on their own from the blue gate near the classroom.

Year 5 and 6 Open Evening Thirsk School and Sixth Form College

Year 6 children and parents are invited to an open evening at Thirsk School and Sixth Form College on Wednesday 26th September. The evening will begin with a talk in the hall at 5pm followed by an opportunity to view the school and meet staff. If you have child in Year 5 who will be going to Thirsk School you are also welcome to attend this evening with your child.

FOSS Appeal and date for your Diary

The FOSS AGM will be held at 7pm on 2nd October in the staff room. Our current chair Gaye Kirby will be standing down at this meeting. We urgently need someone to come forward as a new chair - under charity commission rules FOSS cannot exist without a chair. Please see attached roles and responsibilities document for information about the position of chair. Gaye would be happy to discuss the role informally with anyone who is interested. Please drop her a text on 07823 333015

This will be the last year in post for our secretary, Alison Ballard, so if anyone would like to shadow her this year to see what is involved then this would be welcomed. You can contact her on 07981 361159. Either of these roles could be suitable for a "job share" if two friends were interested. Everyone is welcome to the AGM. We are a very friendly team who work hard to share the load and support each other. We always need more fundraisers so please come along if you would like to find out more.

Parking in School carpark

A polite reminder that the school car park is only to be used by parents in exceptional circumstances. Our school risk assessments around access and safety stipulate that children do not enter school from this car park at the beginning and end of the day. The exception to this would be by arrangement or pick ups during the school day when the pedestrian gates are locked.

Administrator Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for a School Administrator. We are seeking to employ a highly motivated individual who has a working knowledge of administrative procedures with excellent IT skills. Experience within an educational environment and SAGE education are desirable but not essential. For more information regarding this post please see the vacancies page of the school website.

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Y5/6 walking to school

As part of our policy review and a couple of incidents recently involving pupils who walk to school independently, we are asking for written confirmation from parents that they consent to their child walking to and from school and events by themselves.

If you are a parent of a Y5/6 pupil and intend to let them walk, please fill in the consent form and return to school for our records. Any pupil without this consent will not be allowed to walk home from the 1st October. Thank you for supporting us in keeping your child safe.

Reminder - Flu Vaccinations - Reception to Year 5 Children Wednesday 7th November

Flu vaccinations for children in Reception to Year 5 will take place on Wednesday 7th November 2018. Please visit <https://www.hdftrhs.uk/flu-consent> for the form to consent electronically for your child to receive their flu vaccine in school on this day if you have not already done so.. The code you require is LD53T. Please register before the end of September. Thank you

Reception Health Questionnaires

Please can all health questionnaires be returned to school by Friday 21st September. Thank you

Parents Evenings week commencing 1st October 2018

Parents Evening for children in Reception to Year 6 will take place week commencing 1st October. This interview is an opportunity for you to discuss your child's progress. Letters will be sent out to you shortly to book your appointment time. Mrs Clark, our Home school link worker, is always here to help if appointment times are difficult. Please don't hesitate to contact her on the school number. Thank you

Cake Stall

Sapphire class cake stall will be held on Friday 28th September 2018 at 3.30pm in the school hall. Please come along and support us. All money goes into FOSS funds to fund extra school visits free for you and your children.

Dates For Your Diary

1st October - Parents evening week
2nd October - FOSS AGM
12th October - Harvest Festival
16th October - Individual Photographs
26th October - School closes for half term
5th November - School re-opens
19th November - Y6 residential week East Bamby

Yours sincerely,



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Head Teacher