



Yorke Mead School



Newsletter

Friday 20th April 2018

Dates for your diary

This week

Monday 23rd April

Tennis Taster Sessions Rec-
Year 2

Tuesday 24th April

Nursery Allocation Day

Wednesday 25th April

Secondary School Transfer
Meeting Y5 & Y4 parents
7:00pm

Friday 27th April

FOYM Quiz Night

Up and coming events

Tuesday 8th May

Gymnastics Assembly
2:30pm

W/b Monday 14th May

KS2 SATs

Y6 Cycle training

Wednesday 8th May

Y2/Y4 Intra School
Competition

W/b Monday 21st May

Walk to School Week

Thursday 24th May

Y6 Kwik Cricket

Friday 25th May

Y5 Ash Play Leader Training

BREAK for HALF TERM

This week at Yorke Mead!

Tag Rugby

Well done to all the Year 6 children who this week took part in the Fullarians Tag Rugby Festival. We have also heard that our Tag Rugby Team have made it to the area final next week. A fantastic all round effort Year 6.



Reception 2018

Welcome to the families who will be joining Yorke Mead in September 2018. There have been 60 allocations and over this term we look forward to welcoming these new children to our school. If you know any of the families joining us please encourage them to keep an eye on our website so they can join us for the FOYM events this term.

Staffing

This week we welcome **Ms Bradwell** to our team of teaching assistants working in Year 5.

Mrs Arens has informed us that she will not be returning to school after the birth of her baby as she plans to be a full time mum.

We have recruited a new teacher to start work with us in September and are fully staffed moving forwards. Given the teacher recruitment crisis we are very pleased to have made a successful appointment so early in the term.

Suncream

HAT! SUN CREAM! WATER BOTTLE!

It is that time of year (at last!) when the sun pops out. Days switch quickly from a little chilly to hot and sunny. To ensure your children are able to stay safe in the sun please send in a named bottle of sun cream, a hat and water bottle every day.

Ideally your children will come to school wearing sun cream on the warmest days so they are protected until they can top their sun cream up.

Nursery Allocations

We will be informing the parents on Tuesday 24th April of the Nursery Allocations for September 2018. It will be lovely to welcome our new families and the younger siblings of our current families.

If you didn't apply and wish to join our continuous interest list please contact Mrs Dawkins as soon as possible as we will allocate any places that become available on a daily basis.



Learning Next Week:

Whole School Learning Behaviour: **Be Kind**

Nursery- Acorns

Focus - *Jasper's Beanstalk, keeping a bean diary, measuring, planting and growing beans, learning about seeds and what they need to grow.*
Number 10 Letter 'e'

Reception-Lime & Willow

Focus – *Monsters: Looking at characters in stories, speech bubbles, counting backwards and taking away, phase 4 phonics reading and blending into words*

Year 1 – Elder & Silver Birch

English: *P*
Phonics & spelling: *-a*
Maths: *M*
Science: *L*
Topic: *F*
P4C Focus : *N*

Year 2 –Cedar & Horse Chestnut

English: *P*
Phonics & spelling: *-a*
Maths: *M*
Science: *L*
Topic: *F*
P4C Focus : *N*

Year 3 – Laurel & Sycamore

English: *Writing an explanation text*
Phonics & spelling: *-'un' prefix*
Maths: *Ordering & comparing fractions*
Science: *Understanding what plants need to grow.*
Topic: *Geography, areas of high land in the UK*
P4C Focus : *Stories with a kindness theme*

Year 4 – Maple

English: *Introduction to newspaper writing*
Phonics & spelling: *-hood/-ship suffix*
Maths: *Fractions of quantities*
Science: *recording experiments*
Topic: *Technical vocabulary around rivers*

Year 5 –Ash & Rowan

English: *The Adventures of Odysseus (diary entry)*
Phonics & spelling: *-'able' suffix*
Maths: *Area and Volume*
Science: *Forces*
Topic: *Ancient Greece/ Constructing a marble run*
P4C Focus : *Is it morally wrong to keep animals in a zoo?*

Year 6 –Red Oak & White Oak

English: *Exploring the three witches in Macbeth*
Phonics & spelling: *- Word families*
Maths: *Measures including time*
Science: *The heart and circulation system*
P4C Focus : *Macbeth stimulus*

Road Works

Please keep your eye on the website www.roadworks.org as it seems there are more roadworks due in Dulwich Way. Hopefully the improved weather will encourage more parents and children to walk to school – healthy bodies and healthy minds!



Many local schools have had their Ofsted visit, and we are expecting ours soon. Ofsted are always keen to hear the views of parents and they have a website where they ask parents to record their view of the school. It is often the case that we only hear when people are not happy and people assume that if they are happy we know this – no news is good news!

However, this gives Ofsted an inaccurate view of the school.

Please everyone, log into the parents view site <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/> to let Ofsted know how you feel about Yorke Mead.

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