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Dear parents and carers,

I hope you have had a good week. In school, we have certainly been delighted to welcome back some of the staff we have been missing and it was lovely to see the cheerful faces of our year one pupils returning back to their classroom. Once again, thank you to the Year One parents who supported the difficult decision to close the class for the 8 days. Hopefully, this will be the last time we need to do this.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend

Paul Quarry

Headteacher

#### **CLASS DOJO**

Just a final reminder, that if you have not yet signed up yourself and logged in as your child on Class Dojo, please do so as soon as possible.

https://www.classdojo.com/

We have now started using Class Dojo as a reward system in school so hopefully you will be able to see when your child receives Dojo points in school. You will need to link to your child's account in order to do this though.

If you have any questions, please do get in touch.

## **AFTERSCHOOL SPORTS CLUBS**

Just a reminder that afterschool sports clubs begin on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2021. In order to access a place, you must have completed the electronic form below and be notified that you have been allocated a place for your child as places are limited in number.

Throughout Autumn, the clubs chosen were:

TUESDAYS – Football Club for Years 3 and 4
WEDNESDAYS – Football Club for Years 5 and 6
THURSDAYS – Dance Club for Years 1 and 2

All of the above clubs are free.

Please complete the form below to request a place for your child at the clubs above.

Only complete the form if you want a place and you have not already completed the form.

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=KWIBDfrzw0WF-TIBI23JhevMcwC4fldNomIRnPnXvZRUNDNJOFhGUjRXTTRITjhWMEY4NE1BV0I3Ri4u

### **SCHOOL DINNERS – CENSUS DAY**

On Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October, it is school census dinner day where our lunch providers always have a themed menu. This time it is a space themed menu.

On this day, one lucky school dinner eater will win a £5 Amazon voucher – if they get the 'lucky plate'.

Hopefully, we will have news on who this lucky winner is in next week's newsletter.

# **WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY – HELLO YELLOW**

Please see below for information regarding **Friday 8**<sup>th</sup> **October**. **Pupils and staff can come wearing as much or as little yellow as they wish**. We will be collecting donations for Young Minds but this is not an expectation and is purely voluntary.

Thousands of schools (including ours), offices and communities on Friday, 8 October are taking part in #HelloYellow and raising vital funds to support the work of Young Minds. See the information below from the Young Minds website:

'Dig out your neon socks, custard scarf and banana hat - let's show young people they're not alone with their mental health!

We all struggle with how we're feeling sometimes and it's normal to have ups and downs.

This year might have felt a little more down than up. But it's the little things that have got us through it - the morning walks, singing in the shower, the perfect cuppa, that Netflix show that got us all buzzing, the bestie who makes you LOL, the teacher who has your back.

Saying #HelloYellow this World Mental Health Day is a little thing we can do to make a BIG difference to young people's mental health.

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Because a little yellow goes a long way.'

# **OUTWOOD ACADEMY HEMSWORTH**

Please see below for information from Outwood Academy Hemsworth regarding their open evening next week for Year 6 pupils and parents / carers.

We are looking forward to welcoming you all to our open evening on Tuesday 5th October 2021 This event will now be a ticketed event. Please book your tickets via the Eventbrite website links below.

*There will be two sessions:* 

Session 1 : 5.00-6.30pm

Session 2 : 7.00-8.30pm

Tickets for session 1 can be booked here:

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/y6-open-evening-1st-session-tickets-181934158967

Tickets for session 2 can be booked here:

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/y6-open-evening-2nd-session-tickets-181936054637

#### **SCHOOL DINNERS**

Due to the number of positive cases in school, part of the restrictive measures reintroduced was to return to lunches in classrooms temporarily. This will need to continue next week as we are still unable to have a larger number of pupils all from different classes in one space (the gym). This will, unfortunately, affect the choices we are able to offer. Apologies for this inconvenience and we hope to return to the full menu soon.

Attendance - Autumn 1 - Week 4

Year Group	Attendance (%)
UFS	92.5%
1	Affected by closure
2	92.4%
3	90.3%
4	94.3%
5	92.5%
6	90.1%
School Average	92.0%

This week the impact of positive cases and isolation is evident but we have to say well done to Year 4 again who were our attendance champions in a highly-affected week.

## **GOLDEN WORKERS**

This week we have RECOGNISED pupils who have been RESILIENT around school.

Golden Assembly - Core Values			
Q.	being respectful being tolerant being kind	Resilience being resilient showing perseverance valuing self-worth	
	Responsibility being responsible being honest being reflective	Recognition showing appreciation taking pride	
Date:	Autumn 1 - Week 4 - Friday 1st October 2021		
Усат догир	Pupil	Reason	
1	Willow	for working hard in class and not giving up in her learning to be able to show her excellent understanding in Literacy.	
2	Romey	for not being afraid to make and learn from mistakes. She has tried so hard to persevere even when some tasks might be a little bit tricky.	
3	Taliyah	for always perseveres with her work, even when she is finding it challenging, and she approaches all tasks with a positive attitude. Well done Taliyah, a super start to Year 31	
4	Amelia-Jo	for always being resilient with her maths this week and challenged herself.	
5	Норе	For showing great resilience and perseverance in her work all week by never giving up even if it has been difficult. She has produced some fantastic work.	
6	Cain	for always trying his best and never giving up, no matter the challenge.	

#### **STANDARD ITEMS**

#### **Free School Meals Information**

You can apply for income-related free school meals on the Wakefield local authority website: <a href="https://www.wakefield.gov.uk/schools-and-children/free-school-meals">https://www.wakefield.gov.uk/schools-and-children/free-school-meals</a>

You are now able to complete the form online so it really has never been easier:

https://forms.wakefield.gov.uk/Forms/schools/freeschoolmeals.aspx

If your child is in UFS, Y1 or Y2, they are eligible for Universal FSM but you can still apply if you think you are eligible for income-related free school meals. If your child is in Year 2 and receiving universal free school meals, please remember that this will stop when they move into Year 3 (if your child has just moved into Year 3, this means that unless you are entitled to FSM, they will no longer received free school meals), so please ensure you have applied if you think you eligible.

School receives additional funding for the number of pupils in receipt of free school meals and it has never been as important as it is now to try to provide crucial interventions to help pupils catch up – any additional funding will help us to achieve this goal.

### SAFEGUARDING AND MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBING SUPPORT

Wakefield I Can - Online resource for children and young people in Wakefield

https://wf-i-can.co.uk/

Hazlehurst Centre – sexual violence and/ or sexual abuse support

https://www.hazlehurstcentre.org/

**CHILDLINE – Removing Nude Images** 

https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/remove-nude-image-shared-online/

The Hideout – Domestic Abuse advice and support for children

http://thehideout.org.uk/

WDDAS - Domestic Abuse advice and support

https://www.wakefield.gov.uk/health-care-and-advice/adults-and-older-people-services/domestic-abuse

Relationship Matters - advice about parental conflict

https://relationshipmatters.org.uk/

Talk to Frank – Information about drugs

https://www.talktofrank.com/

Turning Point - Advice and support for drug and alcohol problems

www.turning-point.co.uk/wakefield

**Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS)** 

https://www.southwestyorkshire.nhs.uk/services/forensic-child-and-adolescent-mental-health-services-camhs/

**Young Minds** 

https://www.youngminds.org.uk/

**NSPCC** 

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/

Samaritans

https://www.samaritans.org/

The Children's Society

https://www.childrenssociety.org.uk/see-hear-respond

Barnardo's

Believe in children | Children's charity | Barnardo's (barnardos.org.uk)

Winston's Wish

Winston's Wish - giving hope to grieving children (winstonswish.org)

**Wakefield Families Together** 

https://www.wakefieldfamiliestogether.co.uk/

#### **ONLINE SAFETY**

Parent Info – help and advice for families in the digital world https://parentinfo.org/

Thinkuknow – advice and guidance to keep children safe onlin https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/

**NSPCC – Online Safety** 

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/

Lego - Online Safety

https://www.lego.com/en-gb/sustainability/children/digital-child-safety

Net Aware (NSPCC) – Guidance about games and apps

https://www.net-aware.org.uk/networks/

**CEOP - Child exploitation and Online Protection** 

https://www.ceop.police.uk/Safety-Centre/

## **OTHER USEFUL SITES / CONACTS**

Wakefield SEND Local Offer

https://wakefield.mylocaloffer.org/Ho

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**STAR – Bereavement Support** 

https://starbereavement.org.uk/

ICON – Coping with crying babies

https://iconcope.org/

NHS - 999 for emergencies or 111

POLICE - 999 or 101 for non-

emergencies

**CHILD LINE - 0800 1111**