

## **New Park Primary Academy**

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Dear Parents / Carers, 8<sup>th</sup> November 2023

What a busy few weeks we have had!



Thank you to everyone who helped and supported the Halloween Disco on the last day of half-term. It was lovely to see the hall full of people having lots of fun. Some of the outfits were very elaborate and scary which made judging the 'best dressed' competition very difficult!

On the same afternoon, parents of pupils in Years 1 and 2 had been treated to a wonderful afternoon tea as the culmination of their Novel Study of 'The Tiger Who Came to Tea'. It has been a delight to read so many wonderful stories inspired by this story – incredible writing from Key Stage 1!

We have also enjoyed welcoming so many parents in to school to discuss their child's progress at our Parents Consultation Evenings. Feedback from the parents survey available on the evenings has been overwhlemingly positive and we really do appreciate the time taken to ensure that we are all able to communicate effectively and are working together to best support your children with their learning. If you attended these meetings, but have not yet taken part in the parent's survey, please use this QR code to complete this.



On Monday we were joined by Lieutenant Brady & Bombadier Rooney, from the Army Foundation College, who presented a very interesting assembly explaining the importance of Remembrance Day.













# Children in Need

All pupils are invited to come to school on **Friday 17**<sup>th</sup> **November** dressed as they wish (non school uniform) or dressed all in spots for Children in Need. Please make a donation straight to Children in Need using the following link: <u>Donate to BBC Children in Need</u>

#### A Christmas Appeal!

We are in the process of planning this year's Christmas fair fundraiser and are reaching out to ask the school community for help with our Christmas raffle and tombola! So we can offer a range of great prizes, each year group is being given a category to make a donation too and we would really appreciate donations from the following:

Nursery: Chocolate/biscuits Reception: Arts/Crafts/Stationary Year 1/Year 2: Cleaning products Year 3/Year 4: Toy / game Year 5/ Year 6: Self-care



We would also appreciate any donations for our tombola.

If you are willing to make a donation, please drop these into the school office no later than **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December.** 







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#### **Family Groups and Events**

Our Community Coffee Mornings continue to run every Tuesday at 9am in the Community Hub by very friendly parents, for parents. Please pop in, say hello and stay for a coffee and a chat.

We have also been made aware of these groups which you may be interested in.

Brimham's Active are running some free taster sessions this weekend for children, aged 6 upwards, down at Harrogate Leisure and Wellness Centre. Please see the attached flyer for further details.





#### Goats



As we continue to make the school field a more accessible and usable site for our pupils, it is with an element of sadness that we will be saying goodbye to our goats, Oreo and Milkshake, at the end of this week. They are moving home and will now live at Piglets Adventure Farm, near York, where they will be able to live with a range of other farm animals and continue to be visited by lots of curious children and families.

Our farm twinning program continues and children will get the opportunity to visit other farms, throughout the school year.

### Key Dates for this half-term

- Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November Prospective Parent Stay & Play @ 3:30pm
- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November Next Generation Board trip to Malham Farm
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November Children in Need
- Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November Phonics workshops for Reception & Year 1 parents @ 2:30pm
- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November Year 3/4 LP / AS trip to Corn Close Care Farm
- Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December KS1 performance of 'Shine Star, Shine' details to follow
- Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December KS1 Trip to Railway Museum
- Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Lunch
- Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December Nativity St John's Church @ 6pm
- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Fair
- Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December am EYFS Exhibition
- Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December pm Year 5/6 Exhibition
- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December am Year 1/2 Exhibition
- Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December am Year 3/4 Exhibition
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December Break up for Christmas Holidays @ 3:15pm

Thank you for your continued support and ensuring that your children continue to be respectful, responsible and ready to learn.

Best wishes,

Sasha Bune Headteacher



