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Dear Parents and carers,

It's been a fantastic first few weeks at New Park and I am enjoying getting to know the children and learning as many names as possible! Please do come and say hello if you see me in the playground or make an appointment via the school office if you have any questions or concerns.

Our first celebration assembly was really successful with a great turnout from parents to watch and applaud their children. This will continue every week – keep a lookout for a slip in your child's bag.

This Friday it is Jeans for Genes day which coincides with our first family breakfast. We will be hosting breakfast in the hall from 7:45 – 8:45 and serving cereal, toast, croissants and fruit. Tickets are 50p and are available from the school office. All are welcome, bring the whole family!

We will also be collecting donations for www.jeansforgenesday.org who fund projects across the UK for children affected by a genetic disorder. If your children wish to take part, they can wear jeans and trainers (normal school jumpers/cardigans please) and bring a donation to this worthwhile cause. We suggest £1.

I am pleased to be able to announce that we will be taking KS1 to see the Christmas pantomime at Harrogate Theatre. This year it will be a showing of Beauty and the Beast, please see the attached letter.

We are changing things for KS2 however and will be taking the children to the West Yorkshire Playhouse to see a performance of The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe. We will also visit the Leeds Christmas Market and see the lights.

If your child is eligible for Free School Meals, these trips and future events will be offered free of charge to you. Despite the confusing name, this is not the same as getting a school meal every day! If you are unsure, please come and speak to Miss Williams in the office or visit <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/free-school-meals> for a list of criteria.

We are also running a competition to design a new school logo which will go up around the school and on the website. If you would like to take part in this with your children, we have forms in the school office.

Finally, from Monday 25th September, we will be using the double gates by the Nursery/Reception entrance before and after school. These gates are much wider and mean the playground can be accessed without steps, which will allow families with pushchairs easier access as well as relieving pressure on the side gate.

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible on Friday (in your jeans!)

Mr. Mold

