

New Park Primary Academy

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Dear Parents/Carers

This has been my first full week back at school since contracting COVID. I am so grateful to the whole staff team for pulling together during such a disrupted start to term and so proud of the children who have coped marvellously with the frequent changes in staffing we have had to make. Thank you for your patience and understanding over these last few weeks. Fingers crossed things will now settle down a little!

Make-your-own Pizza!

On Thursday 7th October we will be celebrating a brilliant first month at school with a fun and exciting lunch challenge! The children will be decorating their own pizzas with a choice of healthy toppings and there will be prizes for the best designs from each year group. This lunch is free for children in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 and £2.30 for children in Years 3, 4, 5 & 6. Nursery children pay £1.60 for a smaller portion. If your child receives free school meals you do not need to pay.

We will be making pizzas for all the children. Please contact the office if you prefer your child to have packed lunch instead.





Walk to school day

On Friday 8th October we will be participating in the Zero Carbon Harrogate District Walk to School Day. This event has proved a great success with many local schools to raise awareness of building better transport habits within our community and help combat the effects of climate change and protect our planet.

We are encouraging all our pupils to be involved in the event by either walking, cycling, scooting or taking public transport. The physical and mental health benefits of exercise are well known, with studies also showing that walking to school improves concentration and helps pupils arrive ready to learn. Making the journey on foot, by bike or using public transport means fewer vehicles on the road, benefitting the wider community with less traffic and cleaner air.





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Attendance

Attending school on time each day ensures your child is on the best path for success. We've recently created this graphic to show just how much impact being a little late every day can have over the course of a school year – every day counts!



Have a fantastic weekend,

Mr Mold

