# Dates for the Diary – September – December 2023

#### **Celebration Assembly**

Family members are warmly invited to attend Celebration Assembly at 9am in the Village Hall. Miss Kirkman will be leading the assemblies on the following dates:

Friday 22nd September 2023 Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2023 Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2023 Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2023

#### **Newsletter Dates**

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2023 Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2023 Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2023

#### **PE Days**

Every Tuesday – this is run by Sporting Influence
Every Thursday – this is run by class teachers (As we have swimming on a Thursday for the Autumn term, there will be no PE on this day)

Please ensure all children come into school in their school uniform and bring their PE kit into school with them.

#### **Swimming**

We are delighted to have been able to secure a weekly slot at the newly refurbished Wellness Centre (formally the Hydro) in Harrogate for the Autumn Term.

Dates: Thursday 21/9/2023 - Thursday 14/12/2023

# TT Rock Stars / Numbots Rockstar Day & Challenge – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2023

To celebrate, children are invited to come to school with crazy (rockstar/number related) hair for the day. Full uniform should still be worn.

#### **October is Black History Month**

Black History Month gives everyone the opportunity to share, celebrate and understand the impact of black heritage and culture.

# October is International School Library Month

We will be celebrating this by asking your child to bring in their favourite book to school where they will be encouraged to read / talk about the book to their class. A trip to the local library is also planned for this month. Further details to follow.

#### **North Yorkshire Fire Safety Talk**

We are delighted to have been able secure a visit from the North Yorkshire Fire Department.

This is a school event on **Thursday 5**<sup>th</sup> **October 2023.** 

# Federation Reading and Phonics Parents Information Evening – 6pm Thursday 5th October 2023

A letter with further details will be sent home in due course. The venue for the evening will be Ripley Town Hall.

# World Mental Health Day – Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Normal uniform

#### **Open Afternoon**

This will be held on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2023 from 1pm – 3pm. We would greatly appreciate you helping us spread the word by sharing flyers on social media and to prospective parents. A copy of the flyer is attached to this communication.

# Parents Evening – Tuesday 17th October 2023

Bookings will go live on ParentMail nearer the time.

# Harvest Festival – Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Further details to follow

# Parents Evening – Thursday 19th October 2023

Bookings will go live on ParentMail nearer the time.

# **Individual School Photos – Monday 23rd October 2023**

School House Photography will be returning to capture this year's school photo of your child. A link to your child's individual album will be sent to you within a week of the shoot, and all orders should be placed directly with School House Photography.

HALF TERM 30th October – 3rd November 2023

# Remembrance Day – Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2023

We will be holding a 2 minutes silence in school at 11am

Anti Bullying Week 13th – 17th November 2023

# Children in Need – Friday 17th November 2023

The theme of this year's Children in need is SPOTacular! We therefore invite children to come to school dressed in their most SPOTacular outfit for a fundraising donation of £1.

# Road Safety Week – 19th – 25th November 2023

Miss Kirkman will lead various events this week to help children, young people and parents learn why road safety matters, and enable them to speak up for safe and healthy journeys

# Panto – Wednesday 29th November 2023

We are delighted to announce that we will once again be attending Harrogate Theatre to watch this year production of Dick Whittington. The trip takes place in school hours and full details will be sent to parents during Autumn 1 half term.

# Christmas Post Box – W/c 4<sup>th</sup> December 2023

The Christmas post-box will be returning this year for the children who wish to give their school friends a Christmas card. We request that all cards your child would like to give this Christmas be brought in and posted in the box between Monday 4th December and Thursday 21st December. The cards will be sorted and given out every few days. Please include as much detail on the front of the envelope as possible so we ensure it goes to the right person. As a minimum, clearly write the recipients first name and surname initial on the front of the envelope, as we may have more than one child with the same first name in the school

# Christmas Jumper Day – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2023

For a donation of £1 towards Save the Children, we invite pupils to wear Christmas jumpers for the day

#### Christmas Enrichment Week 18th – 22nd December

Children will take part in various Christmas enrichment activities throughout the week, including the below. All activities will be in school hours.

# **Christmas Craft Afternoon – Tuesday 19th December 2023**

Further details to follow

# Special Guest and Storytime - Wednesday 20th December 2023

Sssssshhhhhhhh...its top secret, but there may or may not be a special guest flying in from the North Pole for the afternoon to read some stories, and send our children off on their Christmas holidays with lots of festive cheer!

# Christmas Lunch – Wednesday 20th December 2023

A menu will be sent out in due course.

#### School Nativity - Thursday 21st December 2023

2pm, venue tbc. All parents, carers and grandparents welcome

# **Christmas Film Afternoon – Friday 22nd December 2023**

#### **CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS**

Monday 25th December 2023 – Friday 5th January 2024 Please note school finishes at the normal time on Friday 22nd December.

> STAFF TRAINING DAY Monday 8th January 2024 School closed to all pupils.

SCHOOL REOPENS TO ALL PUPILS FOR SPRING 1 TERM Tuesday 9th January 2024.