

KETTLESING FELLISCLIFFE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER - SEPTEMBER 2023

FEDERATION ATTENDANCE - YTD

	WHOLE SCHOOL	CLASS 1	CLASS 2	CLASS 3	CLASS 4
RIPLEY	97%	99%	96%	94%	NA
BECKWITHSHAW	98%	98%	98%	98%	98%
KETTLESING	97%	97%	97%	96%	NA

A reminder that all absences must be reported to the school office before 9am on each day of absence. Medical appointments should be booked outside of school hours, but when unavoidable a letter, text or email confirming the appointment must be given to the school for your child's attendance records. If we do not receive this documentation, children's attendance will be marked as unauthorised leave.

HEADTEACHER UPDATE

Dear Parents and Carers,

Wow, what an amazing few weeks I have had settling into the federation. I have absolutely loved the start of this new adventure and how welcome everyone has made me feel; I definitely don't feel like a nervous new member of staff.

It has been great getting to know the children and families and I look forward to developing these relationships over the coming weeks, months and years. Coming from a bigger school, it has been wonderful to get back to the heart of village school education (I spent the first part of my teaching career in smaller schools) and supporting the developing role within the community, as this is something I am passionate about continuing to support.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Best Wishes

Mrs Elouise Foster

Deputy Headteacher

Reminders, Updates, and Information

ParentMail Accounts

A polite reminder that all dinners and wraparound care provision, should be paid for in advance of meals/sessions being taken.

Charges are applied for the week every Friday, and there should be enough money on the account to clear the amount applied, as set out in the T&C's and in accordance with North Yorkshire school dinner policy. Where accounts fall into debt, letters will be issued by school.

If you would like to speak to someone in confidence about financial matters, please contact Mrs Randall or Mrs O'Connell in the school office.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

DATE	EVENT		
4th October	Library trip - R, 1 and 2		
5th October	North Yorkshire fire safety talk		
5th October	Federation reading and phonics parents information evening - Ripley Town Hall 6pm.		
10th October	World Mental Heath Day		
9th October	Deadline for Christmas card orders and payment to be returned to school		
11th October	Open afternoon - 1.00pm - 3pm		
17th October	Parents evening		
18th October	Harvest Festival - time tbc		
19th October	Parents evening		
23rd October	Individual school photos		
30th October - 3rd November	Half Term - school closed		
6th November	School re-opens to all pupils		
8th November	Remembrance Day		
13th - 17th Nov	Anti bullying week		
17th November	Children in Need		
29th November	Dick Whittington panto trip		

Reminders, Updates, and Information

SWIMMING

A reminder that children will need with them in school every Thursday:

- Girls: One piece costume (no bikinis or tankinis) towel and bag.
- Boys: Trunks or swimming shorts (thigh length, not fashion shorts), towel and bag.
- All children with long hair must wear a swimming hat or have hair tied back.
- Jewellery is not permitted to be worn during swimming lessons.
- Goggles maybe worn and remain the responsibility of individual children. Children may be asked to remove their goggles for some elements of the lesson programme.
- Children may on occasions be asked to bring clean clothing or pyjamas to wear for water safety lessons. This should be light weight clothing which can be removed easily and worn over the top

Payment for the full term is available to pay on ParentMail +Pay





Please help spread the word about our upcoming open afternoon on the 11th October. Prospective parents, and parents of current pupils are warmly invited to drop in between 1-3pm, take a look at the amazing work going on in school and speak with staff, pupils, and the PTA who will be providing teas and coffees at the event. If anyone would like some leaflets to distribute, please contact Mrs Randall or Mrs O'Connell on the admin email.

CLUBS FOR AUTUMN 2 TERM

SPORTING INFLUENCE - Wednesdays after school

Sporting Influence will continue to offer a Street Dance Club for pupils in years 1-6. Booking and payment for this club will be available on ParentMail +Pay in the next few weeks. This will be on a first come first serve basis. Sporting Influence will be providing an after school club every Wednesday for the whole academic year with the type of sport on offer changing each term. By changing the club every term, we hope to offer a wider variety of activities with something for everyone across the year. This particular club has been very popular, so ensure you book your place when slots go live.

Full details, times, prices and booking information for both clubs will be emailed to all parents in years 1-6 over the next few weeks.

House Point Tally







Friends of Kettlesing School



DATES FOR THE DIARY

Our amazing Friends of Kettlesing School have organised some wonderful fundraising activities this term which we are immensely grateful for. Below is the first date for the diary.

MONDAY 9th OCTOBER 2023 - Deadline for Christmas card/merch orders

On Wednesday 4th October, we will be sending home your child's Christmas design that has an order form to complete at the top of the page. Please note that these are the original designs that will then be sent off to print, so please keep them safe and clean before returning them. All orders must be returned to school no later than **Monday 9th October** in order to make the print deadline. Payment must be made in order for artwork to be sent off. Please return the artwork and either the correct cash, or a cheque made out to **The Friends of Kettlesing School** before the deadline of the 9th.

WHAT WE'VE BEEN DOING THIS MONTH

Crazy Hair Day

A huge thank you to everyone who came to school on Friday with their crazy rockstar/ number themed hair for the launch of TTRock Stars and Numbots, our much used and loved Maths apps. Let the battle of the bands commence!



WHAT WE'VE BEEN DOING THIS MONTH



Class 1

Class One have been busy learners so far this term. They have been learning all about the seasons of the year in Science, specifically focusing on how the trees change through each season. We have also been learning a song to help us remember the months of the year. In History, the children have been learning about how they have made history. They have looked at key events in their lives and how they celebrate special occasions such as their birthdays, Christmas, and other events. The children have been working hard on their phonics too! Remembering all the sounds they had learnt in Reception and remembering to use this in our sentence writing. What a great start to the new school year Class One. Keep it up!

Class 2

In Class 2, our writing has been focussed on a character description which was based on the story of the little red hen. The children have made a great start in their place value topic in Maths and are really enjoying their topic in History of the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age - specifically Skara Brae as they are always asking when they

can watch the full video about the reconstruction of their homes and lifestyle! They have also loved our Science topic of Animals, especially learning about all the bones, joints and muscles that allow our body to move.





Class 3

Class 3 have had a smashing start back to a new academic year and I could not be prouder!

We have been focussing on our book 'The Lost Thing' whilst writing a 'lost' character description, enhancing our writing style with powerful vocabulary and figurative language.

The children are working hard with consolidating their place value knowledge in maths and throwing themselves into some tricky challenge questions.

Our history topic, World War 2, has proved quite the favourite and the children have loved learning about life in the war. I'm so excited for what's to come, each week brings so much excitement and questions of curiosity!

We have some talented artists emerging through our portrait unit, where the children have already explored and compared the quirky styles of Chila Kumari Burman and Vincent Van Gogh and are currently planning and preparing to create their own unique self-portraits.



Safeguarding - Online Safety

Deciding what's appropriate for children to see online

The online world gives us access to a huge amount of information and services, but the scale of information available also means that there is content that is inappropriate for children. What is or isn't appropriate is up to individual parents and carers to decide, and could be based on things like age, ability, beliefs and family values.

What are parental controls?

Parental controls allow you to block and filter upsetting or inappropriate content. They work across your Wi-Fi, phone network, individual apps and devices.

Parental controls can help you to:

- plan what time of day your child can go online and how long for
- create content filters to block apps that may have inappropriate content
- manage the content different family members can see.

More information for parents regarding online safety can be found at:

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



Need advice about online safety?

If you're stuck, not sure what to do, or if you're worried about your child, you can also contact our trained <u>helpline</u> <u>counsellors</u> on 0808 800 5000.

Childline also has lots of information about online and mobile safety that will help you and your child.





A reminder that you can find lots of useful



parent information on our schools Facebook page as part of National Online Safety's 'Wake up Wednesday' campaign.

Each week National Online Safety cover different subjects that help protect our children from potential dangers they may encounter across many different devices and platforms, including, but not exclusive to, What's app, Facebook, Instagram, Tik Tok, X (formally know as Twitter), snapchat, mobiles, ipads, computers, search engines, and gaming platforms, to name a few.

Children are more exposed than ever to the online world, often having knowledge beyond our own, so we highly recommend all parents look at the links included on this page, to ensure all devices and platforms they may use are as secure as possible.



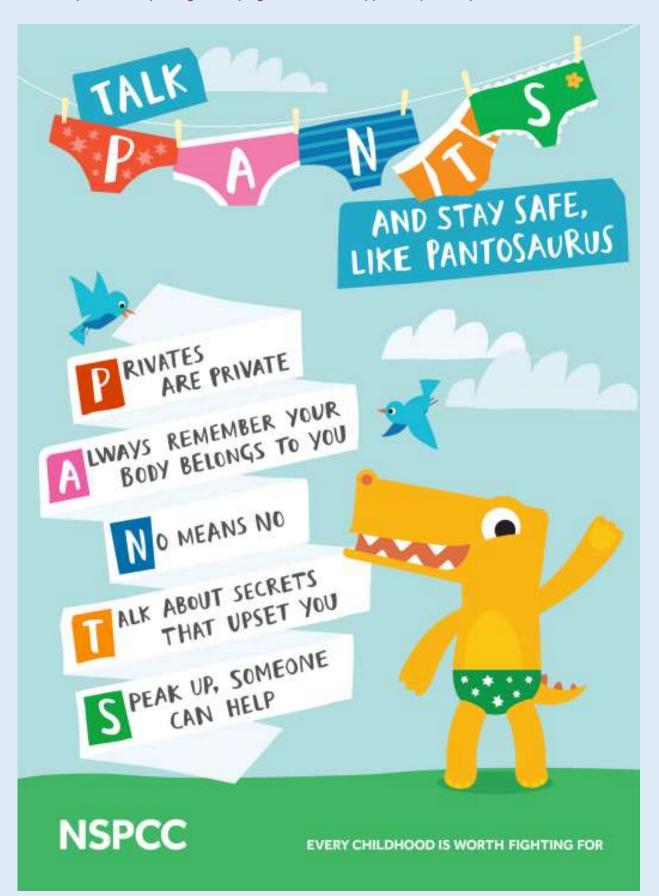
For specific internet provider filters visit:

https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-andresource/parental-controls-offered-by-yourhome-internet-provider

Safeguarding - NSPCC PANTS

As part of our PHSE curriculum we work with the NSPCC teaching guidelines to talk to your children about PANTS, a conversation that needs to continue at home so our children know what is acceptable, and that they can speak to a trusted adult at any time. For more information and parent toolkits visit -

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/pants-underwear-rule/



Safeguarding - NSPCC PANTS

LEARN PANTOSAURUS' FIVE EASY RULES FOR STAYING SAFE



PRIVATES ARE PRIVATE

Your underwear covers up your private parts and no one should ask to see or touch them. Sometimes a doctor, nurse or family members might have to. But they should always explain why, and ask you if it's OK first. Remember, what's in your parits belongs only to you.



You always have the right to say 'no' even to a family member or someone you love. You're in control of your body and the most important thing is how YOU feel. If you went to say 'No', it's your choice.

SPEAK UP, SOMEONE

It's always good to talk about stuff that makes you upset. If you're worried, go and tell a grown up you trust – like a family member, teacher or one of your friend's parents. They'll say well done for speaking out and help make everything QK. You can also call Childline on 0800 1111 and someone will always be there to listen.

A LWAYS REMEMBER YOUR BODY BELONGS TO YOU

No one should ever make you do things that make you feel embarrassed or uncomfortable. If someone asks to see or tries to touch you underneath your underwear say 'NO' – and tell someone you trust and like to speak to.



ALK ABOUT SECRETS THAT UPSET YOU

There are good secrets and bad secrets. If a secret makes you feel sad or womed, it's bad – and you should tell an adult you trust about it straight away.



Remember all of these rules and they'll help you stay safe, just like Pantosaurus



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Safeguarding

Mental Health and Wellbeing - Parents

It is essential that parents look after their own mental health and wellbeing in order to be able to effectively support their children. you may find the following links and apps useful.

Apps such as Headspace or Calm headspace





NHS Adult Mental Health - https://northyorkshireccg.nhs.uk/your-health-and-localservices/adult-mental-health/



Every Mind Matters: Tips and suggestions about good mental health from the NHS https://www.nhs.uk/every-mind-matters/

Healthwatch North Yorkshire - https://www.healthwatchnorthyorkshire.co.uk/advice healthwatch -and-information/2022-11-04/mental-health-and-wellbeing-support-adults



Harrogate Mind - https://mindinharrogate.org.uk/



Samaritans – confidential support in a crisis 24/7, calls cannot be traced and won't appear on your bill. CALL FREE 116 123.

SAMARITANS

Mental Health and Wellbeing - Children



Keeping Children Healthy

As we start a new school year, we enter into Autumn and the common illnesses that come with the time of year. For more information on steps you can take now and throughout the coming term to help protect your family from seasonal illnesses go to - https://ukhsa.blog.gov.uk/2023/09/08/a-parents-guide-to-keeping-kids-healthy-thisschool-year/?utm_campaign=2625582_LA%20Weekly%20e-Redbag%20-%2029%20September%

If you are concerned about a child's welfare please contact: Miss Victoria Kirkman - Designated Safeguarding Lead Mrs Elouise Foster - Deputy Safeguarding Lead or Miss Ashleigh Miller- Deputy Safeguarding Lead Kettlesing 01423 770576, Ripley 01423 770160, or Beckwithshaw 01423 504642

Extra Curriculum



OCTOBER HALF TERM ACTIVITY CAMP



Ashville College 8:30^{am} - 4:00^{pm} Wrap around care available



www.sportinginfluence.com

Sporting Influence have delivered fun, safe and active Activity Camps in Harrogate since 2014. The Camps, run by qualified teachers and experienced coaches, bring together a variety of sports and activities to keep children engaged and active throughout the school holidays.

Sporting Influence teaches in over 35 schools in the Harrogate area during term time, including the Federation of Beckwithshaw, Kettlesing and Ripley Endowed Primary Schools. It means that when your children attend Camp for the first time there is a good chance they will know at least one of the faces as they pull up!

Scotton Scorchers JFC have spaces in our girls teams from Year 1 to year 6.

Please get in touch with Mike at mikeandjanec@googlemail.com if you would like to come along for a free session.

Mike Collier

Scotton Scorchers Girls Football Lead







