

Monthly News Bulletin

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Welcome back after the half term break. Many thanks to the Y6 parents' who attended the consultation evenings in January, the rest of the school will hold consultation evenings this half term. Regular contact between home and school is vital in ensuring that we are able to work in partnership to support the progress and development of your children. The staff look forward to working with you over the coming term and implementing the strategies and approaches that will be discussed during parents' evening.

Harry Potter Evening

The children had a fantastic time during the Harry Potter evening. Our young wizards made wands and potions, took part in a whole school quiz to celebrate the books by J.K. Rowling. A big thank you to Miss Burton for organising the event and to all the staff who supported the evening- a lot of fun was had by all!



Red for 'Roary' day

To celebrate Chinese New Year and raise money for the MFC charities we are asking all children to wear red this Friday. We will have a special Chinese menu with prawn crackers and we may have a special guest visit us on the day!

Safer Internet day

We marked Safer Internet Day with an awareness-raising assembly and class-based activities for the children. It is hoped that events such as these, together with our regular programme of e-safety lessons in each class, will enable all children to make safe and sensible decisions when online. Should parents want any further information or advice related to e-safety, please see the advice attached and the 'Help your child to stay safe online' section in the 'Parent' section on the school website.

Diary dates

Date:	Event:	Who is involved:
Friday 23 rd February	Chinese New Year and Red for Roary day (whole school wear red for £1 towards MFC charities)	Whole school
Thursday 1 st March	World Book Day (We will be dressing up as pirates)	Whole School
Friday 2 nd March	1.30pm Arnie Roadshow (Road Safety)	KS1



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Friday 2 nd March	Holi Festival of colour (children can wear an old white T-shirt that will get covered in paint if they would like to!)	Whole School
Wednesday 21 st March	World Poetry Day (Children will recite poems in an assembly)	Whole School
Thurs 29 th March	Break up for Easter Holidays 3.15pm	

New House point System in place:

We are very excited to launch a new House point system in school where all the children try to raise as many points for their house team each week. Every Friday the winning team with the most points will be announced in Star assembly and the Team captains will raise the trophy and hold it for the week! The scores will be accumulated over the weeks and the House with the most points at the end of the half term will receive a special treat!

Your child can receive House points for academic achievement, being polite, being kind, a sporting activity, being a responsible citizen... Please encourage your child to earn points and celebrate their success if they talk about them at home. Each child with the highest number of points in the class will be rewarded each week.

Staffing Changes

We are delighted to introduce our new Vice Principal Mr Lonsdale. Mr Lonsdale will be teaching in Y6 each Friday and then joining us fulltime after Easter. Mr Lonsdale is currently Vice principal at Ryecroft Academy in Bradford.

Miss Carter and Mrs Hunter left Frederick Nattrass Primary at half term to take up new posts in Ingleby Barwick and Peterlee. We wish them all the best in their new positions and are very grateful for all their hard work. Mrs Gardiner and Mr Roberts will be teaching in Y3 and we are looking to appoint permanent staff in Y3 and Nursery for the Summer term in the next fortnight.

Our House teams were chosen by school council and they are all based on famous authors. We have:

Rowling's Wizards,
Donaldson's
Gruffalos,
Walliam's Billionaires
and
Dahl's BFG's

Gates close at 9 am

The gates open at 8.45 and all children must be in class for 8.55 so they can be registered ready to start lessons promptly at 9am.

The Dining hall sliding doors will close promptly at 8.55 am.

If you are late bringing your child to school, you will have to escort them to the main entrance where you will be met by a member of the Senior Management Team to discuss why your child is late. **Accumulative late marks will result in a fixed penalty notice.**