



## Headteacher's Introduction

It has been a really great week in school with our topics really taking off and the children fully engaged in their learning. Each half term, our topics across school will be enhanced with an 'experience' which may be a trip out, a visitor coming into school, theme days or showcases. We are thrilled we can add these experiences to our curriculum and look forward to sharing more details of these with you.

The half term learning overviews are available on our website under the curriculum tab and then curriculum information. These documents highlight what is happening in all year groups throughout the half term and are useful to inform you as to what is taking place.

Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to welcoming you into school next week.

Mrs Innes

## Governor's Update

As we start the new school year, we wanted to give you an update from the Local Governing Committee (LGC). The role of the LGC is at a strategic level, rather than the day to day running of the school. We meet formally five times in the year and the first of those meetings was held this week. The school's key development priorities for the year, finances and school policies were all discussed.

We'd like to thank the staff for all their hard work over the summer holidays. A great deal of thought and effort has gone into preparing the classrooms and school environment to both support and celebrate pupils' learning – they look great. New cloakrooms (including lockers) and intervention spaces have been invested in for Key Stage 2 and fresh signage ensures the school values are displayed around the school as well as being embedded in learning.

It's fantastic that we can now come into school again to see it in action. On this note, we look forward to meeting some of you at the Parent Welcome Meetings next week.

Best wishes, Susann Dale-Simmonds (Chair), Sarah Zettel (Vice Chair), Jill Le Pla, Mathew Watt and Sally Weyman

## E-safety tip of the week

Each week on our newsletter, we will be sharing an e-safety tip of the week which we hope you will find useful. We will recommend one of the guides or short videos from the National Online Safety Program that you may choose to take a look at.

This week's National Online Safety recommendation is the National Online Safety guide to WhatsApp which is full of useful information of the benefits, age limits and dangers of the app.

## It's Good to Grow

Morrisons have launched a voucher scheme that is running until the end of October called "It's Good to Grow". Vouchers can be used to buy gardening equipment, seeds, compost and much more.

All you need to do is sign up to MyMorrisons on [mymorrisons.com](https://www.mymorrisons.com) or download the MyMorrisons app. The grow tokens can then be collected for every £10 spent shopping online, or in store.

It would be wonderful if you could donate any tokens you collect to Hempland which will help us with our school garden.



## Health and Safety

### Cycling and scooting

It is great to see so many children biking and scooting to school and it is great to see our bike and scooter shelters so full. Please can we remind you that once on the school site, there should be no cycling or scooting. This is for the safety of all pedestrians.

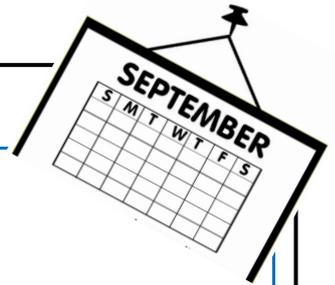
### Nut Free School

We are a nut free school and the following items should not be brought into school.

- Packs of nuts
- Peanut butter or Nutella sandwiches
- Any Nutella product
- Fruit and cereal bars that contain nuts

This is in order to protect both the children and the staff who we have in school with severe allergies to all kinds of nuts.

## Upcoming events



<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Year 4 swimming (TC/BD class) starts Year 5 (5AS) Bikeability Parent Welcome Meetings	Early Years 3.30-4.00 Year 1 4.10-4.40 Year 2 4.50-5.20
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September</b>	Year 5 (5AS) Bikeability Parent Welcome Meetings	Year 3 3.30-4.00 Year 4 4.10-4.40 Year 5 4.50-5.20 Year 6 5.30-6.00
<b>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September</b>	Year 5 (5AS) Bikeability	
<b>Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September</b>	Year 5 (5AS) Bikeability Year 3 visit to the York Food Festival	

### Parent Welcome Meetings

We are really looking forward to welcoming you into school for our welcome meetings. The class teachers will give a short presentation which will include lots of useful information and there will also be an opportunity for you to have a look in your child's classroom. Please come to the main school reception where we will direct you to the school hall. If you are unable to attend your child's welcome meeting, we can arrange for the presentation to be shared with you.