

Yorke Mead School

Newsletter



Friday 15th July 2022

Dates for the diary	This week at Yorke Mead!
This week	<h3 style="text-align: center;">Year 2 Woburn Trip</h3> <p><i>After school today a child approached me and asked if it was me who said every year group should do a trip... he went on to say, 'If you did, thank you. I had the best day'. These are the things Covid robbed us of that we now are claiming back. No matter how stressful my week has been; today a little boy reminded me why we do it! He made me smile as much as the Year 2 trip made him smile.</i></p> <div style="display: grid; grid-template-columns: 1fr 1fr; gap: 10px;">       </div>
<p>Mon 18th July Year 6 Leavers event Tues 19th July Year 6 second performance Fri 22nd July Term finishes 2pm</p>	
This Month	
Next Month	
<p style="text-align: center;">FUN FUN FUN hopefully in the SUN SUN SUN</p> 	
Letters this week	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transition leaflets to all year groups 	

School meals next steps

At the governing body meeting on Monday evening, we discussed the school meals. There was general agreement that any decision we make should not prevent children having the freedom to choose their own meals, but that an option that allows day to day flexibility should be pursued if we can find one.

We believe that one system offered by the catering company may have capacity for both – but the person at Herts Catering who developed this and can confirm this was not available this week. We are, therefore, planning to talk to them next week. If this is correct, governors agreed we should adopt this option. Watch this space!

Signed WFC football auction



A few weeks ago, Yorke Mead won a signed football at Watford Football Club. It has sat in my office, and we were unsure what to do with it.

I have decided to put it up for auction – sealed bids (envelope with your child's name and class on) and inside your final bid! The money raised from the final bid will go towards the playground marking project within the school.

Please send bids into school by the end of the school day on **TUESDAY 19th July** and the top bidder will be presented the football in assembly on the last day of term.

Breaktime Snack

It seems we continue to run into issues over snacks, with the options still being too open to interpretation. From September we are reducing the options to:

- Fruit and vegetables, including raisins and dried fruits
- Cheese
- Plain bread sticks

Hopefully there will be something for everyone within this and we can have a system that is fair for everyone as the interpretation cannot be expanded.

You can also use the summer to experiment with snack options.



School times September 2022

Reminder that from September school will be from 8:45am to 3:15pm.
Doors will open at 8:40am, and children arriving after 8:50am will be late to school.



Weather next week

The weather forecast for next week is like nothing I have ever seen before – we already have the plan in place, and we will be following any advice we receive from the public health team.

I know that school t-shirts, with collars, and school shorts are going to be too uncomfortable to wear. We are therefore sending home PE kits today. With the current forecast, on **Monday and Tuesday**, please dress your child in what is coolest and most comfortable. This may be their PE kit or other non-uniform clothing which is sensible and will keep them cool. **What is essential is that the children are wearing trainers please (NO open toes shoes/sandals) and that what they wear will not result in the risk of sunburn.**

As the weather develops, we may extend this or pull back, but if you hear no more from me, assume this applies to Monday and Tuesday.

***WATER BOTTLES * SUNCREAM * SUNHATS* WATER BOTTLES * SUNCREAM * SUNHATS ***
It goes without saying are essential

School Reports

Today your child has brought home their end of year school report. I hope you are happy with what you read, and nothing is a surprise to you.

I know from the experience of writing on each child's report, the time that the teachers have put into these – believe me, these are never a quick job! With the report you will receive a parent comment sheet. This is your opportunity to share your viewpoint. There is nothing more disheartening for the teacher than to receive back 30 signed slips with no parental comment on – one or two words is all they need. If you could do this, I know the teachers will appreciate it.



Thank you

Lucille Pollard

Head teacher