



# School Newsletter

Friday 12th July 2019

Summer Term 2019 Issue 10

## THE WEEK IN REVIEW

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly I need to say a huge THANK YOU to FORCE. What an amazing Summer Fair we had last Saturday. There were exciting stalls, events, competitions, a silent auction, raffle and refreshments to name but a few of the attractions. We were so lucky to have such super weather and that so many families and friends of the school attended. It was also fantastic to see each class running their own enterprise stall - Thank you ever so much to the staff and children for organising these. The FORCE volunteers worked their socks off from 8.00 in the morning until 5.00 in the afternoon. We are so grateful to have such tremendous support for the school. This phenomenal fundraising enables us to purchase those special extras that make our children's time at school so magical and memorable. We've raised an outstanding £2345!! I also need to make a special mention of thanks to the gentlemen from the army who provided and arranged the tents.

This week has been all about transition! Our Year 6s have been visiting their new schools. Meanwhile, our new starters and current children spent both the morning on Monday and the afternoon on Wednesday in their new classes. The children enjoyed meeting their new teachers and we are all very much looking forward to next year!

Congratulations to Isla Bastow and Ebony Lambe who have Achieved GOLD this week. Both girls showed an amazing attitude to learning and super ambition.

Jed Rothwell and Imogen Tock have both achieved Richmond PRIDE. Jed showed a real determination to improve and Imogen a desire to challenge herself. Well done to you all.

We are delighted to have been able to reopen our Nursery Outdoor Area and After School Club Outdoor Area this week! The children have really enjoyed being outside. This week in Nursery (FS1), the children have been sharing the Story of 'Harry and the Pocketful of Dinosaurs' and song has been 'The Prehistoric Animal Brigade!'. We also had our Nursery Graduation this week. In Reception (FS2) the children have been carrying on their work on 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. They also had a lovely afternoon on Tuesday when some of the Year 6s organised a mini sports afternoon for them.

In Year 1 on Monday, the children made ice-creams which they thoroughly enjoyed! They have been busy writing instructions in Literacy and recapping telling the time in maths. Our Year 2 children have been enjoying designing flags and T-shirts for the upcoming ICI Cycling event. They have also been learning compass directions in Geography.

Our Year 3 and 4 children have been writing some amazing poetry and partaking in some super drama based on their class book, Lost Lives. They have also made Plaster of Paris fossils - Do ask them all about it! In Year 5 and 6 the children have been very much focussing on 'The Lion King' - making scenery, putting together a programme and practising the acting, songs and music!

Looking forward to next week, we will be sending reports out on Monday and then we have our Lion King performances on Tuesday at 2pm and 6pm. On Thursday, we have our Leavers' Lunch followed by our Leavers' Service at Church and then our Leavers' Assembly in the hall at 9.30am on Friday.

**Are you able to walk the children down to Church with us on Thursday please? Do come and join us at 12.45pm for coffee and cake beforehand!**

**For day-to-day enquiries please contact the school office or speak to your child(ren)'s class teacher. As you know, I work for our school for 50% of the week and share my time between school sites, so am not always available. Do remember that our Head of School, Miss Hodges, can be contacted on a daily basis if necessary.**

I look forward to seeing you in school soon.

Kindest regards,  
Mrs K. Williamson  
Executive Headteacher



# INFORMATION

## FREE SCHOOL MEALS

*Do you think your child may be entitled to Free School Meals?*

*Every child in Reception to Year 2 are entitled to Universal Free School Meals.*

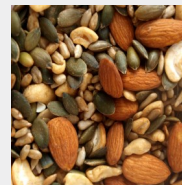
*If you have a child in our schools and feel you fit any of the criteria listed below it would be worth applying for*

## NUTS!

As you are aware we are 'Nut Free' schools.

Please can you ensure that children **do not** bring in any products that may contain nuts.

This includes all variants of Chocolate Spread. Thank you.



## FREE SCHOOL MEALS

**To qualify for free school meals you must fulfil one of the following criteria:**

- ◆ Universal Credit, provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods (£616.67 per month);
- ◆ Income Support;
- ◆ Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance;
- ◆ Income-related Employment and Support Allowance;
- ◆ Support under part six of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999;
- ◆ The guarantee element of Pension Credit;
- ◆ Child Tax Credit, provided you are also not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual household gross income that does not exceed £16,190 (as assessed by HMRC); or
- ◆ Working Tax Credit run-on, paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit.

Please note that contributions-based benefits, including contribution-related Jobseekers' Allowance do not entitle you to claim free school meals.

If you meet the criteria, apply by [clicking here to use the online application form.](#)

Applications are usually processed within five working days. You will be notified in writing, either by post or email, if your child is entitled and we will also let the school know. You should continue to pay until confirmation comes through. before a free school meal can be provided.

If you are not entitled to free school meals, you will be notified in writing.



# MESSAGE FROM THE BOWES MUSEUM

## Invitation To Attend A Focus Group At The Bowes Museum, Barnard Castle.

We would really welcome your input in shaping a forthcoming exhibition.

The Bowes Museum is running two focus groups to obtain different views on the content and style of a forthcoming exhibition on the subject of **Pre-Raphaelite art**. We are seeking parents with children at primary schools, to take part in a Focus Group on **Tuesday 16 July, from 12.30 -2pm**.

The purpose of the research is to obtain fresh ideas from **parents** and to really understand what would motivate families to attend. If you enjoy meeting people and exchanging views, we would really love to hear from you.

- An incentive of **£20.00 per person will be offered for taking part in the research**, which will be paid to attendees on the day (please note places are limited to 10 per group and therefore need to be confirmed in advance). Light refreshments will also be available.
- The group will be moderated by a professional market researcher, who will prepare an aggregated summary of the key points of the discussion; the group may also be attended by 1-2 staff from The Museum.

Please note that only adults may attend the group, since we are unable to offer childcare facilities.

To register your interest, please email Leo Rotaru at The Bowes Museum quoting the appropriate group date ('Focus Group, of 28 June'): **Reply to:**

[Leo.Rotaru@thebowesmuseum.org.uk](mailto:Leo.Rotaru@thebowesmuseum.org.uk)

**Please note that as numbers are limited to just 10 per group, we do need to confirm your place as we are unable to accommodate additional people on the day.**



## Dancing for All

**Dates:**  
Wednesdays:  
11.09.19 02.10.19  
18.09.19 09.10.19  
25.09.19 16.10.19

**Time:** 5.30pm—8.30pm

**Venue:** Richmond School  
Darlington Road  
Richmond  
North Yorkshire  
DL10 7BQ

**Audience:** Personalised lessons for all abilities

**Standard price:**  
£27 / pupil  
To find out about our bursaries please get in touch.  
Reduced rates also available for those referred by health professionals.

To book please visit  
[www.yesatrichmondschool.net/Training-Events](http://www.yesatrichmondschool.net/Training-Events) or email  
[yes@richmondschool.net](mailto:yes@richmondschool.net)

Places won't be secured until payment and completed consent forms have been received.

In conjunction with the Big Lottery Fund and Aspire Dance by Victoria Sellers, YES @ Richmond School are hosting a 6-week dance and theatre project, designed for all abilities.

The aims are:

- To bring children of all ages and abilities together in a creative exploration of dance themes.
- To provide an opportunity for expression and individuality through dance.

If you are aged between 5 and 15 and LOVE TO DANCE, this is a project that you will enjoy. We will explore a variety of starting points for dance and through creative movement workshops and physical development of skills, we will create a final work for camera.

Workshop size is limited to 25.

**Closing date:** Friday, 30th August 2019

**Training led by:**  
Victoria Sellers—ASPIRE Dance in Education  
Victoria has 20 years experience teaching dance across all ages in schools. She taught and examined dance at advanced level qualification but more recently has chosen to concentrate her teaching within the primary schools with the aim to build creativity and boost learning and self-confidence through dance. Aspire Dance is her new company, coming into its third year soon, with classes focused in creative contemporary dance.



**CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF THE NATIONAL LOTTERY**

Cancellations/Refunds  
Cancellations of training events are subject to a 25% administration fee where the cancellation is made 3 weeks or more before the date of the event. No refund is payable for a cancellation made within 2 weeks prior to the training course – in this event the full sum shown on the invoice remains payable.

## CHANGE TO SCHOOL MENU/LEAVERS LUNCH

Next week there will be the following changes to the school lunch menu:

**Monday: Option A—Chicken Korma**

**Wednesday: Option A—Sausage in a bun**

### Leavers lunch—Thursday 18th July:

**Option A—Burger and chips**

**Option B—Macaroni Cheese**

**Option C—Tuna Jacket Potato**

**Option D—Chicken Mayo Sandwich**



## FS2 Sports with Mr McCulloch and Years 5/6

Mrs. Stewart's class had a lovely time enjoying sports on the field with Mr. McCulloch along with several keen volunteers from years 5 and 6.

The years 5 and 6 children planned different activities for the children, who moved from one to another enjoying each and every one of them. Mrs. Stewart's class were very well behaved and gave every activity their best shot.

Thank you so much to the children from years 5 and 6 for their careful organisation and planning the activities.

Well done!



## Cycling for All

**Dates:**  
Thursdays:  
12.09.19 03.10.19  
19.09.19 10.10.19  
25.09.19 17.10.19

**Time:** 4.15pm—5.15pm

**Venue:** Richmond School  
Darlington Road, Richmond,  
North Yorkshire DL10 7BQ  
Tel: 01748 850111 ext 8180

**Audience:** Personalised lessons  
for all abilities

**Standard price:**  
£27 / pupil  
To find out about our bursaries  
please get in touch.  
Reduced rates also available for  
those referred by health  
professionals.

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Training-Events or email  
[yes@richmondschool.net](mailto:yes@richmondschool.net).

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In conjunction with the Big Lottery Fund and Stage 1 Cycles Hawes, YES @ Richmond School are hosting a six session cycling training event for all abilities.

These sessions will be fun, game led and skilled based, and will be tailored to meet individual needs.

Places are limited so early booking is recommended.

**Closing date:** Friday, 30th August 2019

For further information contact  
Steffy Cappleman ([yes@richmondschool.net](mailto:yes@richmondschool.net)) or  
Helen Pollard ([ride@stage1cycles.co.uk](mailto:ride@stage1cycles.co.uk))

**Training led by:** Stage 1 Cycles

Stage 1 Cycles is the leading provider of cycling activities in Wensleydale, North Yorkshire. As a registered Adventurous Activities provider you can be confident in the safety and quality of their activities. All sessions are led by an appropriately qualified cycling instructor who is subject to disclosure and barring checks. Stage 1 Cycles is an Adventurous Activity Licensed Company.



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## End of year school service at St Mary's Church

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July at 1:30pm

Please feel free to meet us at school for a cuppa and cake from 12:45pm and then walk down with us to celebrate the end of the school year.

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# IMPORTANT MESSAGES FROM YORKSHIRE WATER

In this current hot weather people are often tempted to cool down by taking a swim in our reservoirs. However, cold water can be a killer and we'd like to raise awareness of these risks amongst young people. Cold water shock can lead to hyperventilation, increased blood pressure, breathing difficulties and heart attacks plus water temperatures remain just as cold in summer as in winter.

We are promoting the 'Float to Live' safety message from the Royal National Life Saving Institute (RNLI). In their hard-hitting video, they deliver advice on how to react should you become stricken in cold water.

Everyone who falls unexpectedly into cold water wants to follow the same instinct, to swim hard and to fight the cold water. But when people fight it, chances are, they lose. Cold water shock makes you gasp uncontrollably and breathe in water, which can quickly lead to drowning.

If students find themselves unexpectedly in the water, the message is to float until the cold water shock has passed and they will be able to control their breathing and have a far better chance of staying alive.

It is important that we share water safety advice with our young people to prevent further incidents occurring and we would be grateful if you could share this advice with your students.

I have attached below advice from the West Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service and links to two youtube videos which might be of use.

#coldwaterkills <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ile-FwNEafk>

#FloatToLive <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3OBCFEFZe1U>

## **Further advice from West Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service**

### **Safety Advice for Dog Walkers**

- Avoid throwing sticks or balls near water for dogs – they will go after it if they think you want it back even if you've thrown it too far or into dangerous water
- Never enter the water to try and save a dog – the dog usually manages to scramble out
- Even dogs that like swimming can usually only swim for short bursts – keep an eye of your dog and don't let it enter the water if it's older or tired
- If your dog loves the water keep it on a lead and make sure you have control to prevent it jumping into hazardous or unsafe areas
- Remember the wet riverbanks, steep edges or jagged rocks can make it hard for a dog to scramble out and be a slip risk for owners
- Don't lean into water and try and lift your dog out – you can topple in
- Dogs can have cold water shock too
- If your dog has struggled in the water it may have inhaled water and should see a vet as dogs can drown after the event if water has entered the lungs

### **What to do if someone falls into deep water:**

- The first thing to do is call for help – straightaway. **Call 999**, ask for fire service and ambulance. The emergency services will need to know where you are. Accurate information can save precious minutes. If you have a smart phone and have location services or map tool enabled, this can help.
- Don't hang up – stay on the line but try and continue to help the person if appropriate.
- Never ever enter the water to try and save someone. This usually ends up adding to the problem. If you go into the water you are likely to suffer from cold
- Can the person help themselves? Shout to them 'Swim to me'. The water can be disorientating. This can give them a focus.
- Look around for any lifesaving equipment. Depending on where you are there might be lifebelts or throw bags – use them. If they are attached to a rope make sure you have secured or are holding the end of the rope so you can pull them in.
- If there is no lifesaving equipment look at what else you can use. There may be something that can help them stay afloat – even an item such as a ball can help.
- You could attempt to reach out to them. Clothes such as scarves can be used to try and reach or a long stick. If you do this lie on the ground so your entire body is safely on the edge and reach out with your arm. Don't stand up or lean over the water – you may get pulled in.
- Be mindful that if the water is cold the person may struggle to grasp an object or hold on when being pulled in.

For more information visit: <http://www.rlss.org.uk/water-safety/drowning-prevention-week/https://rnli.org/>

