



Stakesby's News! 8th June 2018 (333)



Dear Parents, Carers and Families,

As you know, many schools are facing difficulties in the current financial climate. The current National Funding Formula (how schools are allocated funding) is calculated in such a way that schools in North Yorkshire are not as well funded as other, similar sized, schools in areas such as Manchester or London and this means that tough decisions have to be made to make ends meet. I have spoken to many local Headteachers whose schools have also been adversely affected by funding issues in recent times. As school leaders, we have struggled to pay for staffing cost increases with no additional funding allocated to offset additional expenditure. Despite being a victim of this austerity, the Governors and myself have managed the situation successfully over recent years to minimise effects on staffing and maintain our current class sizes. We have done this by finding savings in other ways.

I am passionate about Stakesby and work hard with dedicated staff to ensure that we offer our children excellent learning opportunities. However, it has become clear over the last year, that in order to continue to provide this sustainably into the future, we have sadly had to consider reducing our staffing. Earlier in the year, we entered into formal redundancy consultations with our staff and their Trade Unions. I am sad to let you know that the outcome of this consultation is that at the end of term, we will be losing some extremely dedicated, valued and respected members of our school family. Mrs Gallon, Mrs Brown, Mrs Smith and Mr Bates have taught and nurtured hundreds of children over their time here and it goes without saying that we are deeply grateful for their contributions to the lives of so many. We're also saying goodbye to Miss Spreadbury who has given much of her time to support the EYFS children. I am sure you will want to join me in wishing them well for the future.

I understand that you may be worried about our situation and wonder about the implications of our changes for September. The 2018-19 Staff Structure was sent out to families before half term and children have already begun working in their new classes for a morning per week alongside the staff who will be facilitating their learning in September. This ensures the children are settled and raring to go in September and aims to alleviate any concerns, particularly given the changes in staffing as indicated. Please be assured that we will continue to provide excellent learning experiences for your child, including a full range of PE, sports and clubs.

Roy Gunning

CERTIFICATE & PRIZE WINNERS

The following children have been noticed for their achievements, attitudes or effort this week and will be rewarded in today's assembly:



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| EYN | Everyone for being brilliant at Butterfly World! | Y3 | Penny Cheall and Layia Hunter |
| EYR | James Green | Y4 | Jamie Farley |
| Y1 | Vanesa Paval | Y5 | Keigan Moth |
| Y2 | Ellie Garbutt | Y6 | Poppy Sutherland |



SCHOOL LUNCHES - Week 1

MONDAY: Sausage & Mash ~ Iced Sponge
TUESDAY: Roast Chicken Dinner ~ Fruit Salad & Ice Cream
WEDNESDAY: Macaroni Cheese & Bacon ~ Crispy Cake
THURSDAY: Mince & Yorkshire Pudding ~ Sponge & Custard
FRIDAY: Fish & Chips ~ Yoghurt & Biscuit

TEA TIME TERRORS

MONDAY: Games Night
TUESDAY: Movie Night (Paddington 2)
WEDNESDAY: Outside Fun
THURSDAY: Pizza for Tea
FRIDAY: ICT



Acorns Class visited Butterfly World

All the Early Years children had the opportunity to visit Butterfly World on Wednesday to enrich their understanding of butterflies and how they metamorphosise from caterpillars. All the children behaved wonderfully- demonstrating fabulous listening, questioning and of course super, polite manners. The EYFS staff would like to say a special BIG THANK YOU to all the



parents and grandparents that came with us. Your care, patience and enthusiasm helped the visit go wonderfully well!



LUNCHTIME AWARD

The lunchtime award is presented this week to
Anais Mason
 For
being helpful at lunchtime.
 Thank you! 😊

SCHOOL MONIES

Please could all parents ensure school services are paid in advance, particularly school lunches and Breakfast Club & Tea Time Terrors. Thank you.

**PLEASE
 PAY IN
 ADVANCE**



Lunchtime Clubs

MONDAY: Sumdogg KS1
 TUESDAY: Football Y3-4
 WEDNESDAY: Girls Football Y5-6
 THURSDAY: Football Y1-2
 FRIDAY: No Clubs

After School Clubs

MONDAY: Homework Club Y2-Y6
 TUESDAY: Tennis Y5-6
 WEDNESDAY: Art Club Y5-6
 Rounders Y3-4
 THURSDAY: Boys Football Y5-6
 Cricket Y2-4
 FRIDAY: Recorders Y4 (Choir is held in school time)



British Values...through assemblies at Stakesby

We try to include British Values in everything we say and do at Stakesby. Assemblies are great opportunities to share positive messages with our children. The children really do listen and can be seen around school responding positively to themes covered. This week, Mr Gunning talked about 'Being kinder to others' in assembly. Many children have been noticed this week going out of their way to be kind to others whom they may not normally play with. Well Done, you make us all proud!



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WHAT'S HAPPENING NEXT WEEK?

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| MONDAY | 11TH JUN | Phonics Screening starts (all week) - HOLLY class |
| TUESDAY | 12TH JUN | Swimming - HOLLY class |
| WEDNESDAY | 13TH JUN | PE -ELM class MFL Day OAK Class |
| THURSDAY | 14TH JUN | PE - HOLLY & BEECH classes |
| FRIDAY | 15TH JUN | Music Lessons |

Want your child to do well at school?

Being here on time- all the time, is directly linked to their success.

This week's winners are

MAPLE CLASS

Last Week :- Overall School Attendance was 93.1 % 😞
 168 children had 100% attendance 😊😊
 8 pupils were ill. 8 pupils were unauthorised absent 😞
 11 children from 8 families were late 😞