

BULLETIN Friday 28th November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

Pears had a super trip to Flamingo Land on Wednesday. They were able to learn more about animals and their habitats from an enjoyable workshop and a wander around the enclosures. Thank you to all staff and volunteers for providing another memorable learning experience for our children.

On Tuesday, we were joined by the staff from All Saints for training after school. Mrs Honey (Assistant Headteacher at All Saints) led a session on oracy. Over the past few weeks, our teachers have been filming themselves deliver a lesson, they discussed this together and how our recent emphasis on improving oracy skills for children and adults, across both schools, has been going. It was an enjoyable and enlightening training session and we look forward to implementing more of our oracy training soon.

We welcomed two School Improvement Advisors into North Rigton on Wednesday. They observed lessons in all classrooms, looked through books and spoke to children and adults in school. We were delighted with their findings and in particular their positive comments about the children's behaviour around school, in the classrooms and at playtimes. Well done to all!

You will have received a letter today about an upcoming Parent Governor Election. If you wish to be nominated as a potential future Parent Governor, please carefully follow the instructions on the letter. This vacancy has arisen as our current Parent Governor - Helen Laflin - has come to the end of her tenure. We would like to thank Helen for her commitment to the role.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Andrews and Mrs Gardiner



YELLOW RIBBONS

Apples:

Isabella - Respect

Busy Bees:

Mia - Independence Clara - Independence Pears:

Ezra - Enthusiasm Maggie - Positivity

Tigers:

Tuesday - Positivity Harry B - Perseverance



Our Communication Chanels

As parents, you will often receive messages from school. Some will be urgent, some less so., some formal and some informal. As such, we have appropriate communication lines we follow to ensure we are passing messages on to our families in the most effective way. Please do read our communication policy on the school website so that you know which types of messages will be sent via Email, Tapestry or the Arbor App, and also to see how you can reach us. Thank you.

Autumn Term Diary Dates (more information to follow in due course)

	Constitution of the consti				
01.12.25	Start of our Community Advent Calendar (see below)				
02.12.25	Theatre Club Performance (see original booking letter)				
03.12.25	Whole school trip to Harrogate Pantomime				
08.12.25	Afternoon Festive Music Recital: Parents of children who have music lessons with Helen Mills are warmly invited to join us in the school hall. Timings to follow				
10.12.25	Apples and Pears Nativity (two performances): 2.00pm and 5.00pm at St John's Church				
12.12.25	FONR Merry Mingle				
16.12.25	KS2 Carols Around the Tree Concert: 9.15am—Parents are warmly invited to join us in the school hall				
17.12.25	New Starters Stay and Play: $9.30am-10.30am$ (for any children due to start school in Sep 2026)				
	Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day				
	Christmas Experience: Movie Marathon and Bake-Off competition organised by our Y6 Charity and				

Spring Term Diary Dates (more information to follow in due course)

Break up for Christmas

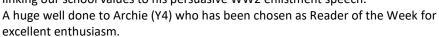
19.12.25

05.01.26	School reopen to all children				
13.01.26	Coffee and Connect afternoon for parents across the Fellowship: 3.00pm in the school hall. Focus on supporting your child with special educational needs (SEND) - in particular, looking at childhood anxiety				
16.01.26	Swimming lessons for Busy Bees begin				
29.01.26	KS1 and KS2 Children's First Aid Course run by Sporting Influence				
30.01.25	Mad Hair Day: £1 to come in school uniform with crazy hair! Led by School Council				
06.02.26	FONR Singing Bingo Event: Almscliffe Hall				
09.02.26	FONR Valentine's Movie Night: 3.30pm—5.00pm				
13.02.26	Break up for half term				
23.02.26	School reopen to all children				
26.03.26	FONR Easter Event				

Wellbeing Advocates. Recommended donations £4 per child. Please see the flyer below

Reader of the Week and Golden Writer Awards

Congratulations to Joey (Y5) who has been awarded our Golden Writer Award for linking our school values to his persuasive WW2 enlistment speech.







These children will enjoy a visit to Mrs Gardiner's stationery shop to choose their prizes. Well done!







Community Advent Calendar - Compiling donations for the Otley Food Bank

During the lead up to Christmas and over part of the advent period, we would like to support the Otley Food Bank by asking for small donations of non-perishable items.

All items will be collected by our Co-opted governor, Fiona Parish, and donated to those who need it as part of the services that Otley Food Bank provide where she volunteers.

Here are suggested items to donate over the month of December whilst we are at school. The donation box will be outside on the playground each morning.

Many thanks for your generosity and support.

Mrs Gardiner

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday			
Over the special days of Christmas, our community donated 「							
1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th			
Jam or spreads	Tinned sauces (pasta, curry, chilli)	Dried pasta	Coffee jars	Long life juice			
8th	9th	10th	11th	12th			
Tinned soup	Dried spaghetti	Tinned meat	UHT milk (not fresh)	Tinned fruit			
15th	16th	17th	18th	19th			
Tinned fish	Dried rice	Baked beans	Tinned vegetables	Christmas treats!			

