



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



RECAP

Towards the finish line...

Unbelievable as it always is, we're almost at the end of another academic year. Not that you'd know based on how busy the school is!

We're stretching out the term to include trips, productions, sports days, and concerts right to the very end!

I'm going to write a more comprehensive 'end of the year' newsletter next week, so for the minute, I'll leave you with the items in this newsletter, to remind you to get yourself into school over the next few days to enjoy the many amazing events that are being put on by school, and by the PTA!

Enjoy the continued weather - see you on the playground.

Ben | **Headteacher**

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Summer Fair: Sat 16th July

Meanwhile, our long-awaited Great Dringy Bake-Off Summer Fair is happening this Saturday, and our summer fair sub-committee, headed by Lauren Watson have been working really hard to make this a reality! (Huge thank you to Lauren and special thank yous to Will Hayler, Mrs Clare Clarke, Ben Sutton, Vikki Beverley, Rachel Stevens and Rachel Corry for all the extra work you're putting into this!!!)

See you at the fair, and remember to bring lots of cash!!! #wink#

Chia and your 2022/2023 FODS committee



Summer Concert Thurs 15th July, 6pm

Y6 Performances: Wed 20th July, 6PM /

Thurs 21st July, 6PM

Annual Reports to Families: Wed 20th July

Y6 Leavers Assembly(09.15): Fri 22nd July

Dringhouses Day of Joy! 25th July



JOY.

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Sports Events (all 9.15-10.30):

Tues 12th July - Y3 and 4

Wed 13th - Y1 and 2

Thurs 14th - EYFS

Fri 15th Y5 and 6



FODS YOUR PTA

Update!

We had our last term FODS (your PTA) meeting for the term on the evening of Thursday 30th June. And for this edition of the school newsletter, I'd like to share with you some of the important goings-on and decisions made at this meeting.

AGM MEETING

Much of the meeting was spent discussing funds needed by the school and we voted yes to funding the following:

- Up to £1000 for a new sensory garden, a project headed by Mrs Murray, our school's SEND lead.
- Up to £1000 for new library books – highly recommended books on the national curriculum for all the different year groups. The school has more than 250 of these books on their wishlist that we hope to help them purchase, with the condition that we try to purchase from local bookstores.
- £1100 - £100 per class – for the teachers and students to purchase resources/materials or piece of equipment for their classroom that they feel the classroom needs.
- £4750 to fund an outdoor play initiative that will improve the quality of play opportunities during their break times and develop their independence, problem-solving skills, resilience, collaboration skills and other important life skills through mentor-supported play and learning. This is a 18-month initiative focused on sustainability and changing playtimes at Dringhouses for good. See: <https://outdoorplayandlearning.org.uk/>

As you can see, funds are needed in our school but budget is tight and little additional funding is available from the government. And so, every donation and every little effort from all you wonderful donors and volunteers help us make these projects and initiatives possible and go towards supporting the education and the crucial primary school experience of our children.

The meeting was also an AGM, voting in the committee that will take FODS through the next academic year. The 2022/2023 FODS (your PTA) committee stands as follows:

Chair – Chia Suan Chong

Treasurer – Jen Goforth

Secretary – Jenny Buckland

Ordinary member – Kate Newman

Ordinary member – Rachel Stevens

Teacher representative – Lizi Backhouse

Patron – Ben Sutton

Our next meeting will be in September soon after the academic year starts, so we hope to see you there!!!

COMMITTEE MEMBERS



INDOOR BOWLS

Come and join Families Get Active this summer holidays and try indoor bowls!

We have booked some sessions with the York and District Indoor Bowls Club at 302 Thanet Road, Dringhouses, York for you and your family. Melanie from Families Get Active will be there to support you on the day. You can book as many free sessions as you wish, but please only book if you really intend to join us. Tickets can be cancelled via eventbrite.

26 July 1-3pm

27 July 1-3pm

28 July 1-3pm

2 August 1-3pm

3 August 1-3pm

5 August 1-3pm session and celebration buffet!

These sessions are free and if you attend regularly you can join us at our celebration buffet!

Indoor Bowls is open to all families in York with children over the age of 7. Children must be closely supervised at all times and we ask that parents stay and take part.



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St Edward the Confessor, Dringhouses, York

This year's holiday club is...

ROCKY'S plaiice

**Monday 25th July - Friday 29th July
10am-12:30pm**

**For those in Primary years Reception to Year 6
Join us for a week full of songs, fun, teamwork, Bible
stories and silliness to kick start your holidays!
Book on Eventbrite, or follow the QR code below.
Any queries, email youth@stedsdringhouses.org**





HM Government



Speak to your music teacher and discover what you can get involved in, and what help you can get to make music.



The government published **The Power of Music to Change Lives** – The National Plan for Music Education – in 2022 to help all young people have a brilliant music education, regardless of where you are in the country or your background.

WELLBEING WATCH!

FOR OUR LAST WELLBEING WATCH OF THE YEAR, WE'D LIKE TO SHARE SOME RESOURCES WITH YOU.

THE FOLLOWING LINK TAKES YOU TO A PAGE WITH OVER 20 DOWNLOADABLE BOOKS TO SUPPORT CHILDREN WITH THEIR WELLBEING.

[HTTP://WWW.SOCIALWORKERSTOOLBOX.COM/CATEGORY/MENTAL-HEALTH/CHILDREN-YOUNG-PEOPLE/](http://www.socialworkerstoolbox.com/category/mental-health/children-young-people/)

'THE ANXIETY GREMLIN' FOR EXAMPLE IS A WORKBOOK AIMED AT 5 - 9 YEAR OLDS BASED ON COGNITIVE BEHAVIOURAL PRINCIPLES. IT'S FULL OF STORIES, PUZZLES, QUIZZES, COLOURING, DRAWING AND WRITING GAMES WHICH AIM TO HELP TEACH CHILDREN HOW TO MANAGE THEIR FEELINGS BY CHANGING HOW THEY THINK AND ACT (IT'S ABOUT 170 PAGES LONG SO WE WOULD SUGGEST FOCUSING ON A CHAPTER A WEEK TO WORK ON TOGETHER).

THERE'S ALSO SOME LOVELY STORIES ON THE SITE WHICH ARE DESIGNED TO HELP CHILDREN DEAL WITH LOSS, GRIEF E.G. SOMETHING SMALL

IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW FEELS DISTRESSED, FRIGHTENED, OVERWHELMED, OR FIND THAT THINGS ARE TOO MUCH, YORK MIND HAVE A COMPREHENSIVE LIST OF WHERE/ HOW TO ACCESS FURTHER SUPPORT: [HTTPS://WWW.YORKMIND.ORG.UK/HOW-WE-HELP/CRISIS-SERVICES/](https://www.yorkmind.org.uk/how-we-help/crisis-services/) THE WEDBBITE INCLUDES A MASSIVE RANGE OF INFORMATION INCLUDING LINKS TO:

'THE HAVEN' WHICH OFFERS WALK-IN, OUT-OF-HOURS MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TO ANYONE AGED 16 OR OVER IN YORK AND SELBY.

KOOTH - WHICH OFFERS ONLINE SUPPORT THAT IS COMPLETELY ONLINE AND ANONYMOUS. KOOTH.COM.

CHAT-CHIT - WHICH IS A PODCAST FROM YORMIND WHICH IS AIMED AT CHILDREN AGED 8+ [WWW.YORMIND.ORG.UK](http://www.yormind.org.uk)

