

### Dring Digest w/e 8th December 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

### Would you like to join our team? (or do you know someone that would?)

Would you love the opportunity to work in school? Do you enjoy working with children? Then we would love to hear from you. We are currently recruiting for Play Workers to join our dedicated lunchtime team. Working pattern is term time only, Monday – Friday, 11:55am -13:10pm, £10.63-£10.75ph (pay award pending). Immediate starts are available subject to suitable pre-employment checks, no former experience necessary, full on the job training will be provided.

For more details on how to apply and to read a copy of the job description please visit our school website. <a href="https://dringhousesprimary.org/2023/10/10/play-leaders/">https://dringhousesprimary.org/2023/10/10/play-leaders/</a>

#### Attendance Matters



### Child Flu Vaccinations – Catch Up Clinics

If your child missed the flu vaccination in school, you can now book an appointment to attend a catch up clinic. Please see the dates below for when the clinics will be held and how to book an appointment. Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> of December 3-4pm

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> of December 3-4pm

The clinics are held at Regus House Clifton Moor YO30 4XL. An appointment can be made by calling 01904 237680. School Vaccinations UK

### Christmas Dinner Day

Our traditional Christmas lunch will be served on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December and orders can be placed now via ParentPay. Lunch is charged at the usual price of £2.75. Those children in receipt of free school meals will be offered a free meal but you **must** still place your order via ParentPay. <u>Deadline for Christmas lunch orders is Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December.</u>

Please note that no alternative to Christmas Lunch will be offered on this day.



What to expect on your Christmas Lunch:
Roast Turkey
Stuffing
Pigs in Blankets
Roast Potato
Carrots, Peas & Gravy
followed by chocolate & vanilla ice cream
Vegetarian option also available

### Christmas Jumper Day

We will be holding our Christmas Jumper Day on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December to raise funds for Jack Craven who is currently receiving treatment for a brain tumor. Jack is the younger cousin of one of our pupils (Georgia Y6) and the family are currently trying to raise a further £5,000 to meet their £25,000 target towards Jacks ongoing care and treatment. Treatment which they hope will allow them more time as family to make those precious memories. To make a donation and read more about Jacks story please use the gofundme link: <a href="https://www.gofundme.com/f/jacks-dipg-battle">https://www.gofundme.com/f/jacks-dipg-battle</a>

#### Dates for December...

Wednesday 13th Dec - KS1 Nativity 9:30am & 2pm

Thursday 14th Dec - KS1 Nativity 2pm

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Dec – Parent Wellbeing/Neurodiverse Session 8:35am after drop off (see below for details)

Friday 15th Dec - Rock Steady Concert 9:30am

Tuesday 19th Dec – FODs Secret Shopping

Wednesday 20th Dec - Christmas Service at St Edwards

Wednesday 20th Dec - Christmas Lunch

Wednesday 20th Dec - KS2 Christingle 6pm-7pm

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas Jumper Day (see above for details)

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec – Last Day of Term, school finishes at 3:15pm

### Neurodiverse/Wellbeing Parent Sessions

Following on from our successful termly neurodiverse/wellbeing parent sessions we would like to offer these half termly. These sessions are for anyone who is interested in neurodiversity and wellbeing. The dates for the sessions are as follows:-

Thursday 14th December 8.35 am (after drop off)

Wednesday 7th February 8.35am (after drop off)

Thursday 28th March 2pm

Wednesday 22nd May 2pm

Thursday 4th July 8.35am (after drop off)

The sessions are a great chance to catch up with TAs, teachers and the SENCo, discuss neurodiversity and wellbeing and have a cup of tea with other parents and friends. We are hoping to invite visiting speakers and discuss different topics each session. We would like these sessions to be your sessions and driven by what you like to know and learn about.

The wellbeing team at school is led by myself, Miss McFarland and Mrs Banks but also consists of Mr Field, Mrs Auckland, Mrs Smithers and Mrs Simmons all dedicated to wellbeing in staff and pupils. We also have a fantastic parent representative Lindsay Baker who has taken on an invaluable role in supporting parents.

We look forward to seeing you on the 14th December. Sarah Murray and The Dringhouses Wellbeing Team

#### > SEN News

Did you know The Flying Legends, in Clifton Moor offer SEN friendly sessions at the Wacky Warehouses. Tuesdays 3 - 7 pm

Sundays 9 - 11am

contact 01904 693239

If you know of any places offering similar things please let us know and we will put these on the digest.

### > Dringhouses Community Foodbank

Christmas is often a challenging time of year and many families are continuing to feel the financial pinch. If you can and would like to, please consider making a donation to our community foodbank. This is a much used facility at the school and really does make a difference to our community. At the moment we are in desperate need of the following items:

- Tinned items i.e. fruit, veg, beans, pasta, meats & fish
- Toiletries shampoo & conditioner, shower gel, soap, toothbrushes, toilet rolls, baby wipes
- Cleaning materials, surface sprays, bleach, laundry detergent, washing up liquid
- UHT / Long Life milk
- Dried Pasta, Rice, Cereals

Please either bring your donations to the school office or drop them straight into the foodbank storage boxes between the playground main entrance gates and sensory garden. Thank you.

### > Christmas Competition at the Fox & Roman Public House

We have in school some competition packs from the Fox & Roman on Tadcaster Road, where you can win a meal for 4 including a drink each.

All you need to do is decorate the bauble inside the pack and then take it to the Fox & Roman who will hang it on their tree. The best bauble will then be picked and the winner announced.

We have 80 competition packs in school and they will be issued on a first come, first served basis from the school office. Thanks and good luck



### What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

WHAT ARE THE RISKS? The Walt Disney Company's streaming service, Disney+ combines entertainment from the famous animation studio itself with Pixar, Star and National Geographic, plus the Marvel and Star Wars franchises. With access to the latest releases, Disney classics and original series, there's plenty of content to explore. While parents may have noted that adverts have now been introduced on some versions of the service, the platform is unsurprisingly for a Disney product – designed to be appropriate for the whole family.

### LESS SUITABLE CONTENT

De\*#! While Disney+ is predominantly family friendly, there are some movies and shows in its library which are aimed at an older audience: these may scare younger ones or contain themes or language that you'd rather your child wasn't exposed to. You could avoid such situations by enabling Junior Mode (see 'Adjust content settings', below) or specifying a content age rating for your child's profile.

#### **BINGE WATCHING**

With the option to view content on any internet-enabled device and a growing catalogue of movies, cartoons and documentaries, Disney+ can make managing screen time difficult. This could result in children bringe watching content, distracting them from activities like homework or socialising. Too much screen time has also been shown to negatively impact mood, sleep patterns and weight.

### PHISHING EMAILS

Be especially cautious if you receive emails or text messages purporting to be from Disney+. There have been numerous reports of online scammers impersonating Disney+ staff in an attempt to gain access to subscribers' personal information. Disney+ states it will never email or call customers asking for their payment details, their private information or their password.

#### ENCROACHING ADVERTS

Disney+ has introduced a new subscription package – Disney+ Standard with Ads – which plays commercials before movies and during shows (like many TV channels). There are no adverts in Junior Mode, but profiles with a content rating of 6+ years will see ads appropriate for that age category. Adults who give consent will see personalised adverts based on their location and viewing history.

### ACCESSING ADULTS' PROFILES

If adults don't set a PIN for their profile, children could access it and encounter content which isn't age appropriate. In the settings, Junior Mode has a toggle titled 'Kid-Proof Exit' which requires the user to read four words (numbers, spelled out) and enter them to switch profiles. For older children who can read, though, this isn't secure enough – so using a PIN for adult profiles is recommended.

### Advice for Parents & Carers

### ADJUST CONTENT SETTINGS

When setting up an account, there's an option to create profiles in what's called Junior Mode. This generally covers material that's suitable for children up to age 6 and is therefore fairly limited. You can give older children a wider choice of viewing by building a standard profile, then going into the settings and choosing a content rating from one of the pre-set alternatives: 6+, 9+, 12+ or 14+.

### TURN OFF AUTO-PLAY

When a cartoon, show or movie finishes, Disney+ uses algorithms to identify content with similar themes, which it thinks your child will also enjoy. This suggestion will then automatically begin to play by default. There's an option to turn off this auto-play function in the profile settings, which will encourage your child to take a break from the screen and move on to a different activity.

### ADD PIN PROTECTION

Disney+ enables you to effectively lock profiles behind a four-digit PIN. In particular, some of the shows on the platform's Star content hub are far more oriented to adults (including several hard-hitting dramas from US networks), so protecting parents' or older siblings' profiles with a PIN will help to prevent younger children stumbling across material which isn't intended for them.

### **ENJOY AS A FAMILY**

When your child watches a movie or show on Disney+ for the first time, you may want to sit with them to ensure it's suitable. You could do the same when introducing them to older films that you haven't seen for years: your perception of what's appropriate has very probably changed, and some of the language and attitudes in movies from your own childhood may seem quite shocking today.

### Meet Our Expert

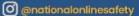


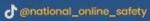












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# NEWS LETTER

### Inclusive Carol Concert York Minster.

#### Saturday 16th December 1:30 - 2:30

Join York Inspirational Kids and a host of other organisations as they bring you lessons and carols from our inspirational children and young people (disabled and/or autistic), who are celebrating what is important to them this

Tickets are free but please book on the link to support planning

https://www.tickettailor.com/events/yorkinspirationalkidscic/1078214





# Festive Coffee Morning and Full Forum meeting

Monday 18th December at 10:00 am at. Tang Hall Explore Library

First drink on us! ( ....and a mince pie! )
A great opportunity to meet up with others who
have similar experiences and can offer tips and
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We will also have an informal meeting to discuss what we have done over the last year and priorities for 2024.

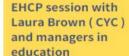
### Parent carer forum membership

The Parent Carer Forum, York is the official body, commissioned to gather parent voice for education, health and social care. If you would like to become a member of this group, use your experience and voice to make things better and have access to our private social media pages please email Mary on engagement@yiks.co.uk

Please note that you are not automatically a member of the Parent Carer Forum if you are a member of YIKS.

If you're not sure I can quickly check for you on receipt of your email address.

Working together to make things better



Next edition 19th January 2024

The session is online via teams, on Thursday 21st December 10-11:30am

This event is an information session about EHCP's and the 20 week process with our Head of SEND, with a chance for a Q&A at the end (only about the process, not person cases).

To book onto the session, please email jointpartnership@york.gov.



### Parent Carer Forum...what's new?

At our most recent Annual General Meeting we looked at the work which has been done over the last twelve months. Membership has increased, we have had a successful campaign, launched a website and hosted coffee mornings and Listening Events. Most importantly, we have been involved in a growing number of work streams, ensuring your parent voice informs planning.

The New Year will see us use and develop new ways to gather parent / carer voice and experience. Watch out for our Mad, Sad, Glad check ins. These surveys offer parents a quick and easy way to give feedback by answering three open questions. This will allow us to identify areas we need to prioritise or look into further.



### Annual PCF Conference

Our Annual Conference will be held on Wednesday 7th February at the Principal Hotel.

Plans are in hand to offer a range of professionals from across services to give us updates on their offer followed by lunch and parent carer workships in the afternoon.









South Bank Social Club.

8-11's - Wednesdays 4.30pm - 6pm 11-14's - Wednesdays 6.15pm - 7.45pm

Take up your space!





















# COME AND JOIN US FOR OUR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CLUB!



We now have HAF spaces available for eligible families!





### **Bookings are now open!**

Children do not need to attend Dringhouses Primary to join.

Open Wednesday 3rd January - Monday 8th January £30.50 per session.

Join us for our trip to Tropical World Thursday 4th January!
(£10.00 supplement applies)

Please contact us at dringhouses@dringhousesoosc.co.uk for more information or book via your Cheqdin account



## MULTI-SPORT HOLIDAY CLUBS!

ACOMB PRIMARY SCHOOL 8.30AM - 4.30PM

**AGES 5 - 12 (YR 1 - YR 7) WELCOME!** 

**SCAN HERE TO BOOK** 





**CHILDCARE VOUCHERS ACCEPTED!** 





