

# **PCJS NEWSLETTER**

# **AUTUMN TERM - 5TH SEPTEMBER 2025**

**Thought for the Week:** "Promise me you'll always remember—you're braver than you believe, and stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think" - Christopher Robin

Music for the Week: "Hallelujah" - from Handel's "Messiah"

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the first newsletter of this academic year! The children have all made a fantastic start to the new year and it has been lovely to see how well they have settled into school, especially Year 3! Thank you for sending our new pupils in looking so smart and with everything that they need. They have taken on board all the new routines really well and it has been lovely to see their independence growing already. They have made new friendships with their Year 4 classmates and have come into school with a positive and enthusiastic attitude.

A reminder that if you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the relevant member of staff via the school office—telephone, email, letter or in person. If you are coming into the school building, please enter via the front door and sign in at reception.

#### Meet the Teacher

Next week, we look forward to welcoming you all to our Meet and Greet sessions. The dates and times are:

Monday 8th September: Year 3 and Year 4 @ 5pm

Tuesday 9th September: Year 5 and Year 6 @ 5pm

We look forward to seeing you then.

## **School Uniform**

Thank you for ensuring that your child is dressed in full school uniform each day and that they bring to school everything that they need. With PE kits, the children often find that the easiest thing to do is to bring their kit in on a Monday and take it home for washing on a Friday but please ensure that your child definitely has their kit with them on the required day. A reminder that, following the Health and Safety directive that was issued to all North Yorkshire schools in 2024, the taping up of earrings for PE and Games is no longer permitted. Please ensure that your child is able to remove their own earrings before engaging in any sport or that they are removed at home before your child comes to school. Thank you for your support with this important requirement.

## **Rabbits**

Please be aware that our school rabbits, Midnight and Smokey, are currently enjoying an extended summer holiday but will return shortly.

# **Healthy Snacks**

Please can we ask for your support by sending your child in with a healthy snack to eat at break time. Please can we ask that you do not send in sweets, crisps or chocolate. We are trying to encourage more healthy options such as a piece of fruit, popcorn, vegetables or a yoghurt. We also need to remind you that glass bottles, fizzy drinks and nuts (or items containing nuts) are not permitted.

### Jeans for Genes

On **Friday 19th September**, we are inviting all the children and staff to take part in a non-uniform day and to come to school wearing jeans. Please visit <u>Jeans for Genes Week</u> for more information. Please donate to this charity via our Just Giving page:

https://www.justgiving.com/page/pickeringcommunity-junior-school-7?utm\_medium=FR&utm\_source=CL

#### TT Rockstars

On **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September**, we invite all children and staff to dress up as a Rock Star as we relaunch the TTRockstars app! During the day, children will have the opportunity to play times tables related games and we will be launching our first inter-class battle of the year!

Thank you again for all your help with settling the children back to school.

Have a great weekend!

A. The Barr

Mrs M De Barr Headteacher Your support for your child's education is crucial to their progress in school. Please let us know if there are any adjustments we need to make to help you to support your child, for example: letters in different languages; wheelchair access; explaining things over the phone.

Clubs will begin the week beginning Monday 22nd September.

Please look out for the clubs letter next week.

"Safeguarding is Everybody's Responsibility"

Are you worried about your own or another child's safety?

Speak to one of these members of staff.

The **Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)** is:

Mrs De Barr

The **Deputy DSLs** are: **Mrs Hall** and **Mrs Mintoft** 

The Safeguarding Governor is: Mrs Smeaton

**Anyone can make a referral.** If you believe a child to be at immediate risk, please call **999.** If you believe the situation to be urgent, please call:

0300 131 2 131

	Menu
Monday	Chicken Burger
	(VG) Veg Burger
	(VG) Diced Potatoes
	Ham Sandwich
	(V) Cheese Jacket Potato
	(V) Oat Cookie & Cheese
Tuesday	(V) Crunchy Topped Mac & Cheese
	(VG) Sweet Potato & Lentil Curry & 50/50 Rice
	Tuna Sandwich
	(VG) Baked Bean Jacket Potato
	(V) Sticky Toffee Pudding & Custard
Wednesday	Roast Gammon
	(V) Leek & Potato Bake
	(VG) Mashed Potatoes
	(V) Egg Mayo Sandwich
	(V) Cheesy Bean Jacket Potato
	(V) Berry Mousse Pot
Thursday	Beef Mexican Taco with Rice
	(V) Pizza Loaded Potato Skins
	(V) Cheese Sandwich
	Tuna Jacket Potato
	(V) Chocolate Sponge & Chocolate Sauce
Friday	Fish Star
	(V) Cheesy Bean Pasty
	(VG) Chips
	(V) Cheese Sandwich
	(VG) Baked Bean Jacket Potato
	(V) Lemon Drizzle Shortbread
	Available Every Day
	Seasonal Vegetables & Sides
	Bread
	Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt