



To care

PCJS NEWSLETTER

SUMMER TERM - 5TH JUNE 2026

Thought for the Week: "Sooner or later, we will have to recognise that the Earth has rights, too, to live without pollution. What mankind must know is that human beings cannot live with Mother Earth, but the planet can live without humans." – Evo Morales

Music for the Week: "Baris" - Gong Kebyar of Peliatan (Gamelan)

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you and your families have all had a good half term break and have made the most of the lovely weather. This half term is a busy one so please keep an eye on the calendar and our weekly newsletters.

Sponsored Walk

The annual school sponsored walk takes place on Monday. Please refer to the letter which came home containing all the details. All children need a packed lunch, a snack and plenty to drink in a rucksack. Children should wear sturdy shoes or walking boots, bring a waterproof coat and we recommend full length trousers in order to avoid ticks and nettles. Please find attached some additional information about ticks for your information.

Year 3 and 4 Danby Visit

The dates for our trip are as follows: Mrs Devine's class on **Wednesday 10th June** and Miss Scott's and Mrs Morris and Mrs Metcalf's class on **Thursday 11th June**. Children will need a packed lunch and drink for the trip. It is not necessary for the children to wear school uniform.

Footwear – wellies –these can be in a separate bag to change into for the fieldwork with sensible footwear (trainers/boots) worn for the rest of the day.

Waterproof coat.

Warm clothing including long trousers.

A sun hat and sun cream.

A small rucksack to carry a packed lunch and a drink.

Please give any travel sickness tablets prior to arriving at school if necessary.

Food in School Policy

Please find attached our draft 'Food in School' policy which we are consulting on with parents, ahead of it being discussed by our Governing Body at our next meeting. If you have any comments or queries, please do not hesitate to get in touch, no later than **Monday 15th June**. Thank you.

Cookery and Forest School

On **Wednesday 10th June**, it is the turn of **Mrs Mintofts's** class for their Cookery and Forest School sessions. Your child will have already received a letter detailing what they need. All children will require ingredients and appropriate Forest School clothing that can get dirty, including a coat and wellies.

We are finding that increasingly, parents are sending their child in with money instead of ingredients. Mrs Morris holds enough supplies for her demonstration of the lesson (and a little bit for emergencies!) but we can not provide a store cupboard of ingredients. Please make sure that your child brings with them everything that they need. Thank you for your support with this.

Countryside Code

As part of Year 3 and 4 Geography work on the Countryside Code and in preparation for our upcoming sponsored walk, we were delighted to welcome Mrs Harland into school for a special drama workshop. Through a range of engaging drama activities, the children explored how to behave responsibly in the countryside, considering how their actions can help protect wildlife, respect local communities and keep everyone safe. The workshop encouraged pupils to think carefully about real-life situations they may encounter during walks and outdoor visits, bringing the Countryside Code to life in a fun and memorable way. We would like to thank Mrs Harland for helping to enhance our learning in such a fun, interactive and enjoyable way.

Year 5 and 6 History Day

On Wednesday, Year 5 and 6 continued with their new history theme 'Crime and Punishment' with a great workshop delivered by John Conyard from *Historical Interpretations*. John talked to the children about crime and punishment through the ages, including focusing in on development of the justice system. He brought in some fascinating historical artefacts which the children thoroughly enjoyed exploring, sketching and discussing.

Gold School Games Mark

We are delighted to share that our school was awarded the Gold School Games Mark, a national accreditation that recognises schools that demonstrate a high level of achievement in developing competitive sport, promoting physical activity and providing inclusive sporting opportunities. Awarded through the School Games Mark scheme, the Gold award reflects strong pupil engagement, participation and commitment to school sport both within the school and the wider community. Well done to all the staff who do so much to promote physical activity at school but a particular thank you to Miss Scott, our PE subject lead, for all her hard work.

Curling

On Thursday afternoon, a small group of Year 4 children had the opportunity to take part in a curling session led by Mrs Twamley. During the session, they learnt a range of skills and techniques, developing their knowledge and understanding of the sport while working together as a team. The children showed great enthusiasm and determination throughout, and are now looking forward to visiting the Infant School in a couple of weeks to share their new skills with the Year 2 children as part of our transition events. Mrs Twamley commented on what a pleasure they were to work with and praised the way they supported and encouraged one another throughout the session. Well done to everybody involved.

Year 3 Music

On **Monday 8th June** it will be the turn of **Mrs Devine's** maths group to have their music lesson. Please remind your child to bring their instrument to school. **This will only take place if the sponsored walk is postponed.**

Swimming

Mrs Metcalf and Mrs Morris' class continue their swimming lessons on **Wednesday 10th June**. Please remind your child to bring their swimming kit to school.

House Point Awards

Congratulations to the following children who have received their bronze award: Harry Bell.

Congratulations to the following children who have received their gold award: Artem Yefremov, Katie Skelton, Hattie Whitaker and Maisie Cook.

Congratulations to the following children who have received their platinum award: Lola Lyth.

After-school Clubs

Due to staff availability, Nature Rangers will not take place on **Tuesday 9th June**. Nature Rangers will therefore have their last session on **Tuesday 30th June** and Circus Skills will have their last session on **Thursday 2nd July**, a week after the other clubs have finished.

All clubs are charged at £2.60 per session. Parents and carers of pupils who are eligible for Pupil Premium funding will continue to receive free places for clubs, but are asked to contribute to the cost if they are able to. Please ensure that clubs are paid by **Thursday 25th June**. All sessions of a club must be paid for via Arbor, regardless of whether your child attends all sessions, and can be paid for in advance with one payment, or on a week by week basis. However, if your child is due to attend a Summer term residential trip on an evening they also have a club, we will not expect a payment for this session. All clubs, except football and golf, will run for eight weeks: football and golf are 7 weeks.

Special Mentions

Congratulations to Teddy Fountain-Hodgson, Elliott Ham and the rest of Pickering Town FC under 11s who won the Champions Cup at Elland Road, the home of Leeds United, last weekend. Well done, everyone!



At the weekend, William Cawthorne had his football presentation and was awarded PLAYERS' PLAYER which made him super excited. Well done, William! We're all very proud of you.



Online Safety Newsletter

Please find attached a copy of our June online safety newsletter. As always, if you have any queries or concerns relating to your child's online use, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Year 5 Carlton Lodge

Please pay the final balance via Arbor in instalments or one payment, by **3pm on Wednesday 10th June 2026**. If you would like your child to have a school packed lunch (free for FSM pupils) for the first day, please order one by ringing or emailing school by **9am on Monday 15th June**. Sandwich choices are cheese, egg, ham or tuna.

Summer Serenade

We are really looking forward to our Summer Serenade which will take place on Tuesday afternoon, **5:30pm - 6:30pm**. Thank you to all of you who have bought tickets for this school event. A reminder that all children performing need to arrive no later than **5:15pm**, dressed in a plain coloured top and black trousers, leggings, shorts or skirts. Also, don't forget to bring some money for the Friends of School raffle - tickets cost £1 per strip and there are some lovely prizes up for grabs.

Pickering Open Gardens

 **Pickering**
Open Gardens
Sat 13th June
10am - 4pm

For more info call 07927 653027 or e-mail
pickeringopengardens@outlook.com

Tickets £5, available from Sat 6th June at
Reeds Newsagents, Market Place, Pickering.

Fundraising for Pickering Community Infant and
Nursery School and Pickering Community Junior School

Year 5 and 6 D and T

Please could children in Year 5 and 6 bring in shoe boxes, cereal boxes and cardboard for a D and T project starting next Wednesday. Thank you.

Registration and Absences

The school day begins at **8.45am** when the class teacher takes morning registration. Can you please ensure that your child arrives in class, ready to learn, by **8.45am**. Please ensure you call or email the school office **before 8.30am** if your child is going to be absent or late, and **include your child's meal choice** if they are going to be late. Delays in completing the attendance and dinner registers have a detrimental effect on the kitchen team's ability to prepare the midday meal on time. Thank you.

Have a great weekend.



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.

"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 DSL** is: **Mrs Hall**

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

Lunchtime Club	
Mindful colouring	NOT ON THIS WEEK

After-School Clubs	
Gardening	Monday 3.20 - 4.20pm
Song writing	Monday 3.20 - 4.20pm
Football (Hawkes Health)	Monday 3.20 - 4.20pm
Nature Rangers	NOT ON THIS WEEK
Rounders	Tuesday 3.20 - 4.20pm
Dodgeball	Wednesday 3.20 - 4.20pm
Gymnastics	Wednesday 3.20 - 4.20pm
Music	Wednesday 3.20 - 4.20pm
Circus Skills	Thursday 3.20 - 4.20pm
Golf	Thursday 3.20 - 4.20pm

Please inform us of any changes to collection arrangements, or if your child is not attending a club this week so that registers can be updated.

	Menu
<p>Monday</p> 	<p>Sponsored Walk Packed Lunch</p>
<p>Tuesday</p> 	<p>Chicken Nuggets Tangy Tomato Pasta Jacket Potato-various filling Cheese Sandwich Iced Sponge</p>
<p>Wednesday</p> 	<p>Roast Gammon Vg Sausage Roll Jacket Potato -various filling Tuna Mayo Sandwich Shortbread</p>
<p>Thursday</p> 	<p>Pasta Bolognese Hot Cheese Panini Tuna Mayo Jacket Potato Egg Mayo Sandwich Jelly & Ice-cream</p>
<p>Friday</p> 	<p>Battered Fish & Chips Pizza Panini Jacket Potato-various filling Egg Mayo Sandwich Chocolate Brownie</p>
	<p>Available Every Day Jacket Potato Fillings – Cheese and Beans Seasonal Vegetables & Sides Bread Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt</p>

The cost of a pupil meal is **£3.48 per day / £17.40 per week** payable at the beginning of each week. For parents/carers who would like to pay per term the cost for the Summer term is **£222.72**. Please keep your child's account in credit or with a zero balance. Please note that if your child goes home unwell after 10.30am, the school meal will still be charged for as it will have been ordered and prepared by the kitchen.