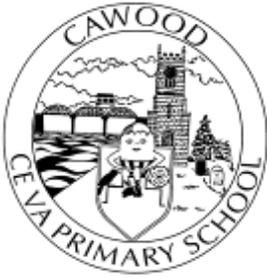


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Headteacher
Mr. Andrew Smith

09 September 2015

Dear Parents and Carers,

September Newsletter

Welcome back

Welcome back to the new school year and I hope everyone had an enjoyable holiday. A special welcome to those children and parents who have joined the school at the beginning of this new school year, be it in nursery, reception or higher up the school. We hope that your child soon settles happily into school life and we look forward to getting to know you over the years ahead.

This is quite a long newsletter at the start of the school year but one which provides plenty of important information to you. It will be particularly useful for those who are new to the school but hopefully also act as a reminder for everyone else.

Staff News

A very warm welcome to Mrs Sarah Sanderson who will be working each morning as a Teaching Assistant in Class 3 on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and then in Class 1 on Friday. We hope that she settles quickly into the staff team.

Mrs Rodgers and Mrs Walker are now sharing the Special Needs Coordinator (SENCo) role in school. Mrs Rodgers is responsible for overseeing provision for children with special needs in the Early Years and Key Stage 1 with Mrs Walker overseeing those children in Key Stage 2 (Year 3 upwards).

Parent and Carer Support

It is very much our policy to welcome parents and carers into school to help in the classroom or on the times when we take the children out of school on visits. Your help is hugely valuable and I would encourage you to become as fully involved in school life as possible. If you would like to help in any way this year, or maybe know of a grandparent or someone else in the village community who may be willing to come in, please fill in the form at the end of the newsletter and return it to the school office.

Our school mission statement states:

Christian values are central to the life and ethos of our school and we aim to provide a curriculum that is fun, creative, enriched and challenging.



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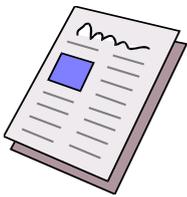
We encourage all members of our school community to develop the skills and confidence to reach their full potential in every aspect of life. We strive to provide high standards of teaching and excellent learning opportunities in a safe, friendly and supportive environment.

We believe that a strong partnership between school, home, parish and community is essential to our children's development. At Cawood, everyone matters.

To this end, if you have any concerns please do come into school to share them with us as we believe that by working together we can act upon things quickly. If there is an important issue that you need to speak with the class teacher about, please arrange a mutually convenient time when you will be able to talk. After school is by far the best time to do this as the beginning of the school day is when teachers are sorting things for the day ahead and welcoming the children into class.

Your support at home is also vital to help your child make as much progress as possible. Regular support at home with phonics and reading, learning tables and spellings, working on your child's mental maths targets (SMIRFs) all help to support the work that is done in school. Our homework policy stresses the importance of all of the above as the mainstay of the homework children complete during Key Stage 1 and lower Key Stage 2.

Thank you to parents in Key Stage 2 for leaving your children at the classroom door or on the playground. It is very helpful for us to get children settled in the classroom if they are able to come in by themselves and then independently sort themselves out with what has to be done.



Newsletters are sent each month and I try to keep other letters home to a minimum. Consequently the newsletter is an important piece of correspondence which has all the major school information. You will receive a text message to say that a newsletter has been sent and past newsletters are listed on the school website. We try to send the majority of letters out on a **WEDNESDAY** so that is the day to check book bags or the inbox.

As before, we have the facility in school to text you. This continues to be a useful method of getting information to you quickly, particularly when there are changes to arrangements at short notice. Please ensure that the school office has your up to date mobile numbers so that we can contact you if necessary.



Journeys to School – Cycling and Scooting

The children are welcome to continue to cycle or 'scoot' to school. Please can I remind you and your child of the simple rules of cycling to school:

1. A helmet should be worn when riding to school. **This is a requirement not an option.** Helmets can be brought into school and stored.
2. When arriving at the school gate, everyone should dismount their bike or scooter and push it around the back of school for storage. To minimise the risks of any accidents, there should be no cycling or scooting on the playground.



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If you do have to drive to school, please park with consideration for our neighbours, particularly those on Broad Lane and Wolsey Grange. Please also observe the no waiting markings outside the front of school, nor park opposite them on the other side of the road. Thank you.

Home School Link Worker

Mrs Sue Land is our Home School Link Worker and she is available each morning on the playground (usually near the KS2 doors) from 8.45 – 9.00am. There is space in school for you to come in and discuss any issues you may have with her.

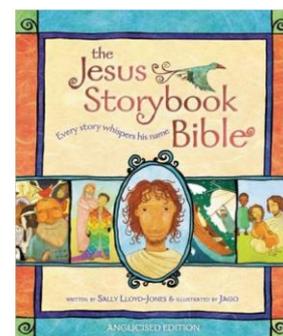
Sue offers the following:

- She helps to identify concerns or issues relating to early signs of social, emotional, learning, health or behavioural issues
- She provides support and advice to children and families
- She signposts links to appropriate agencies for families facing difficult situations
- She helps support transition, either into school, from class to class, or up to High School
- She works with children and families to connect with the ethos of the school
- She works in school but she does not deal with questions relating to the curriculum

I know several families who have really benefited from Sue's support. Please do use her; she may well be able to help or signpost you to someone who can offer you support when it is most needed. If you don't know Sue, please speak with me and I can introduce you.

Collective Worship

We will be following themes in worship this year linked to The Jesus Storybook Bible. A copy of this child friendly bible is in each of our classrooms and, for the first time this year, we will be giving a copy of this bible to the new Reception children as a welcome gift to our church school. If anyone else wants to buy their own copy to read at home here is a link to [Amazon](#) (although other booksellers are available!) I have listed the stories we will be looking at this term below so that anyone who wants to read them at home can do so following our pattern.



Date	Theme	Monday Bible Story
07 September	The New School Year/SEAL Good to be Me	The Story and the Song: Introduction for Psalm 19 and Hebrews 1
14 September	Animals and Creation	The Beginning: A perfect home (Genesis 1-2)
21 September	Courage and Bravery – Christian Value	The Warrior Leader: Joshua and the battle of Jericho (Joshua 3 and 6)
28 September	New Testament Stories	Washed with Tears: A sinful woman anoints Jesus (Mark 14)
05 October	Autumn and Harvest	Filled Full: the Feeding of the 5000 (Matthew 14)
12 October	Peace – Christian Value	The Singer: the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 6, 9)
19 October	Believe in Yourself	The Young Hero and the Horrible Giant: David and Goliath (1 Samuel 17)
02 November	Saints (All Saints 1 st Nov)	A Dream of Heaven: St John sees into the future (Revelation)
09 November	Remembering (Remembrance Sunday 8 th Nov)	A New Beginning: Noah's Ark (Genesis 6-9)
16 November	Signs and Symbols	A Giant Staircase to Heaven (Genesis 11)
23 November	Creativity – Christian Value	Operation No More Tears: The rescuer will



	(Advent Sunday 29 th Nov)	come (Isaiah's prophesies)
30 November	Winter	The Captain of the Storm: the storm on the lake (Mark 4)
07 December	Thankfulness – Christian Value	God makes a Way: Moses and the Red Sea (Exodus 14-15)
14 December	Christmas (Christmas Service 14 th Dec, Christingle Service 18 th Dec)	He's Here: The nativity (Luke 1-2)

As is our usual practice, all families are invited to share in worship both for our key festivals and when your child's class are leading the worship for the rest of the school. Collective Worship is not a performance; it is prepared by the class and their teacher rather than practised at length.

If you would like to join us you would be very welcome. There will be chairs out for you in the hall and the worship starts by 9.10am and it is usually finished by 9.30am. We vary the day of the class worship to give maximum chance for parents to attend over the year, especially if parents work on certain days. The dates for this term are on a **Wednesday** and are:

Wednesday 9 th October	Class 4 – Mrs Rawes
Wednesday 21 st October	Class 5 – Mrs Coulthard
Wednesday 11 th November	Class 2 – Mrs Ramsdale
Wednesday 25 th November	Class 1 – Mrs Mudge
Wednesday 9 th December	Class 3 – Mrs Gilchrist



Our worship also picks out references to the Christian Values which underpin the life and ethos of the school. This term we will focus on **courage, peace, creativity** and **thankfulness** and as such I have attached family information and activity sheets for these values. They are there for you to use as a family in any way you think appropriate.

Summer PE Challenge

Please send in your record sheets for the summer PE challenge if you had a go at it so that we can celebrate what went on and distribute small prizes to those who took part.

After School Clubs

This term's range of lunchtime and after school clubs will start the week beginning 21st September.



Monday **Art Club** (Years 3 - 6) – with Mrs Stephenson and Mrs Hodgson – After school 3.30 – 4.30pm (maximum of 16 children)

Gym Club (Years 1 and 2) – with Mrs Ferguson – After school 3.30 – 4.30pm (maximum of 15 children)

Netball (Years 3 - 6) – with Mrs Hornsby – After school 3.30 – 4.30pm

Tuesday Premier Sport (All Years) – Competitions Practice - Lunchtime

Music Club incorporating choir and ukuleles (Years 3 - 6) - with Mrs Stephenson and Mrs Rawes – After school 3.30 – 4.30pm

Football (Years 3 - 6) – with Mr Smith – After school 3.30 – 4.30pm

Wednesday Premier Sport (All Years) – Golden Mile - Lunchtime

Zambia Link Club (Years 2 – 6) – with Mrs Mudge – After school 3.30 – 4.15pm



Thursday Gardening (All Years) – with Mrs Coulthard – Lunchtime (maximum 15 children)
Premier Sport (All Years) – Girls Football - Lunchtime
Recorder (Years 4 - 5) – with Mrs Walker – After school 3.30 – 4.30pm
(maximum 12 children)

Friday **Film Club** (Year 1 upwards) – with Mr Smith – After school 3.30 – 5.15pm

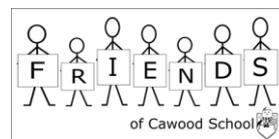
Other clubs such as Press Club will start with particular children in Key Stage 2 over the next few weeks. I am also trying to get a Rugby club started after school as well (further details to follow).

In the case of poor weather, outdoor clubs may need to be cancelled at short notice. Please ring school to check and ensure that your child knows what to do about getting home if this happens. We will text you if a club is cancelled. We try very hard to let you know with some notice if a club is cancelled so that you can make alternative arrangements but regrettably there are times when a short notice cancellation is unavoidable.

Please return the consent form as soon as possible, indicating which clubs you are interested in for your child. Clubs are on a 'first come, first served' basis as some do have a maximum number of places available. You will receive back a confirmation note stating the clubs your child will be attending.

The Friends of Cawood School

The Friends have started to plan their year. Please read on to see how you may be able to contribute at the annual Beer Festival. I hope you may be able to support this event again for the village as all the proceeds will come to school. If you can offer help on the day, I know that would be really appreciated.



A Message from the Beer Festival Committee **HELP REQUIRED**

Twitter: @CawoodBeer

Facebook:

www.facebook.com/cawoodbeerfestival2015

Website: www.cawoodbeerfestival.co.uk



You will hopefully have seen the banners in the village advertising that a small committee as part of the Friends of Cawood School are organising the third beer festival to raise funds for school.

We again want it to be a great community event and attract people who may not normally attend school events maybe because they don't have children at our school.

Lots of people have already expressed an interest in helping. We have a number of sponsors and some people who have expressed an interest in advertising in the brochure but as usual we need MORE!



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We have a few barrels that are looking for a sponsor, as well as refreshments and food. If you run a local business or know someone who does and would like to sponsor a barrel or sponsor part of the event for a reasonable cost then please email the committee on info@cawoodbeerfestival.co.uk

Sponsorship starts from £30 and includes an acknowledgement/logo in the brochure.

In order to run the day this can only be done with lots of volunteers. There are four, two hour slots from 12.00pm for serving refreshments, working behind the bar and cooking food. Any help will be welcome in the set up from 9.00am, erecting the marquee on Friday evening and clearing up when we finish. A team for the Sunday clear up is also needed. Feel free to email us and we will contact you.

Tickets can be purchased from school and the Post Office and entry is £5 which includes a commemorative glass, brochure and the first half pint of real ale or cider. You can also volunteer on Facebook at FriendsOfCawoodschool or Cawood Beer festival's own page. Please indicate your availability.

Consent for School Trips

We are extending our 'blanket' consent procedures for visits off site. You will be aware that we have to gain your consent to take the children off site, be it for a visit in the village or a trip further afield. In line with our Educational Visits Policy, we are streamlining the 'blanket' consent which we take on entry to school in Reception to cover more activities so that we are not continually asking you for the same consent.

Because this 'blanket' consent has been widened, I am asking everyone to complete a new consent this year which we hold on file for the time that your child is with us in school. Going forward it will only need to be completed for new children joining the school. If at any time you wish to revoke your permission, please contact the school office so that our records can be adjusted accordingly.

The 'blanket' consent will cover the following visits:

- All walks within in Cawood as part of curriculum work e.g. geography, science or local history
- Visits to church for worship and as part of any RE work
- Visits to local secondary schools in Selby for STEM/Arts days
- All sports fixtures within the local Selby area (if applicable)
- Cluster school council meetings at other Selby schools (if applicable)
- Swimming lessons for children in Key Stage 2
- Bikeability when a child is in Year 6

We will continue to ask for individual consent for day visits which are further afield and the residential visit to Robinwood.

You will still be informed by the classteachers of a trip covered by the 'blanket' consent. We will tell you what it is, where and when it is happening and ask for parental help on occasions. The difference will be that we use your 'blanket' consent to give your permission rather than asking for it by means of another individual permission.



There is a form at the end of the newsletter to complete and return as the new 'blanket' consent.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

We will be holding our usual Macmillan Coffee Morning on Friday 25th September in the school hall from 9.00 - 11.00am. All are welcome. If you could help by baking some cakes to sell (if possible with Fair Trade ingredients to help promote our Fair Trade School status) that would be very much appreciated. Any donations of cakes and biscuits can be delivered to the hall before school on Friday 25th September.

We would also welcome any volunteers to help serve and support the Year 6 children who help to host this event. Please speak with the school office if you are able to help.

The bookfair will also be in school and open that morning for you to look at the range of books on offer.

General Arrangements at the start of the New School Year

<p>Water</p> 	<p>It is really important that children keep themselves well hydrated during the school day. To this end we provide water for all children at lunchtime and encourage everyone to bring a water bottle into school to keep in their classroom so that it can be accessed throughout the day. This should be taken home each night to be washed and brought back refilled for the next day.</p>
<p>Nut Allergies</p> 	<p>We have several children in school who have very severe nut allergies – it is a life threatening condition if they eat, or possibly even touch them. It is therefore very important that we minimise any risk by avoiding food containing any nuts in packed lunches.</p>
<p>Dinners</p> 	<p>A reminder that all dinner money should be sent on a Monday, clearly stating on which days a dinner will be taken. All money should be handed in to classteachers in the classroom and not the school office.</p>
<p>Absence from School</p> 	<p>If your child is ill and cannot attend school, please inform us by telephone as early as possible on the <u>first day</u> of absence. You must inform the school of the reason for absence – all unexplained absences are deemed unauthorised and reported as such. You are aware of the changes to the law with regards to holidays during term time. If you have to take your child out of school during term time, please collect one of the 'Application for Pupil Leave of Absence' forms from the school office.</p>
<p>Uniform</p>	<p>Children should not wear jewellery in school (including those children in nursery), although small studs may be worn if ears are pierced. However in the interests of everyone's safety, all children must remove earrings before indoor PE, outdoor games and swimming and <u>longer hair for boys and girls should be tied back.</u></p>



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Nail varnish should also not be worn in school.
The correct uniform for boys and girls is as follows:

GIRLS

Grey or navy skirt or pinafore dress or grey tailored trousers
White or blue blouse
Navy or grey V-neck jumper or cardigan
White, grey or navy socks or navy or grey tights
Dark shoes **NOT** boots or trainers
Summer dress: short sleeved, light blue and white check

BOYS

Grey trousers or shorts
White or blue shirt
Navy or grey V-neck jumper
Dark socks
Dark shoes **NOT** boots or trainers

Nursery sweatshirts are available to buy. These are for nursery only and should be changed for school jumpers when a child joins Reception. Children in Reception and Key Stage 1 are also permitted to wear polo shirts in place of school shirts. School shirts should be worn from Year 3 upwards.

Free School Meals and Pupil Premium Funding

With the changes to free school meal entitlement, it is important that anyone who would be entitled to be registered for free school meals on economic grounds still registers. This entitlement would mean that your child receives an additional £1300 of funding and a reduction or free residential visits.

If there is anyone who thinks they may be eligible for this additional funding, please ask at the office for a form. To qualify you must be entitled to one of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-Based Jobseekers' Allowance
- Income-Related Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit, providing you are **not entitled to Working Tax Credit**, and have an annual household income (as assessed by HM Revenue & Customs) that does not exceed £16,190
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- A "Run-on" of Working Tax Credit - the payment someone may receive for a further four weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

The information provided on the form will be used by the council to check for eligibility to claim additional funding for the school (the 'Pupil Premium') from central government. It will be used for no other purposes and will remain confidential to the council.

If you have anything you wish to discuss with me, please do come in and see me if I am available or make an appointment through the office.



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I have enclosed below a list of term dates alongside holiday times for this year for your reference. As and when other things are booked, I will endeavour to let you know with plenty of notice.

With best wishes for a successful year ahead,

Yours sincerely,

A K Smith

Mr Andrew Smith
Headteacher

If you would like this information in another language or format such as Braille, large print or audio, please ask us.



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Holidays and Training Days 2015 – 2016 - 2017

	School closes	School re-opens	Training Days
Autumn		Tues 8 Sep 2015	Mon 7 Sep 2015
Autumn Half term	Fri 23 Oct 2015	Tues 3 Nov 2015	Mon 2 Nov 2015
Christmas	Fri 18 Dec 2015	Tues 5 Jan 2016	Mon 4 Jan 2016
Spring half-term	Fri 12 Feb 2016	Mon 22 Feb 2016	
Easter	Thurs 24 Mar 2016	Tues 12 Apr 2016	Mon 11 Apr 2016
May Day	Mon 2 May 2016		
Summer Half-term	Fri 27 May 2016	Tue 7 Jun 2016	Mon 6 Jun 2016
Summer	Tues 26 Jul 2016		
	School closes	School re-opens	Training Days
Autumn		Tue 6 Sep 2016	Mon 5 Sep 2016
Autumn Half term	Fri 21 Oct 2016	Tues 1 Nov 2016	Mon 31 Oct 2016
Christmas	Fri 16 Dec 2016	Tue 4 Jan 2017	Mon 3 Jan 2017
Spring half-term	Fri 17 Feb 2017	Mon 27 Feb 2017	
Easter	Fri 7 Apr 2017	Tue 25 Apr 2017	Mon 24 Apr 2017
May Day	Mon 1 May 2017		
Summer Half-term	Fri 26 May 2017	Tues 6 Jun 2017	Mon 5 Jun 2017
Summer	Fri 25 Jul 2017		



Parent Helpers 2015 - 2016

I can help with:	Please tick	Regularly	Occasionally	
<i>Classroom activities</i>				
<i>Educational visits</i>				
<i>Reading with children</i>				
<i>Activities at home e.g. preparation of resources /collating vouchers, etc</i>				

Signed: _____

Parent/Carer of: _____

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AFTER SCHOOL AND LUNCHTIME CLUBS - Autumn Term 2015

Name

Class

Please indicate which clubs you are interested in. After school clubs are indicated in bold type.

Day	Club	Please tick
Monday	Art	
	Gym	
	Netball	
Tuesday	Premier – Competitions	Selected teams
	Music	
	Football	
Wednesday	Premier – Golden Mile	Just turn up and run
	Zambia Link	
Thursday	Premier – Girls Football	
	Gardening	
	Recorders	
Friday	Film	

I agree to my child participating in the activities described. For after school clubs:

My child will walk home
(Please tick)

My child will be collected
(Please tick)

Signed



Blanket Parental Consent for an Off Site Visit

Consent for Participation on a Visit

Name of Pupil: _____

I agree to my child (named above) taking part in:

- All walks within in Cawood as part of curriculum work e.g. geography, science or local history
- Visits to church for worship and as part of any RE work
- Visits to local secondary schools in Selby for STEM/Arts days
- All sports fixtures within the local Selby area (if applicable)
- Cluster school council meetings at other Selby schools (if applicable)
- Swimming lessons for children in Key Stage 2
- Bikeability when a child is in Year 6

I acknowledge the need for obedience and responsible behaviour on his/her part. I understand that there is some level of risk in every activity but that this visit will be managed to minimise the risks involved.

If there are any activities in which your child cannot participate, please give details below:

Emergency Contact Numbers

We will use the contact details and medical information held on your child in school unless you state otherwise by letting us know in writing. Please ensure that these contact numbers are kept up to date.

Declarations and Consent

I undertake to inform the school in writing as soon as possible of any change in the medical or other circumstances which may affect my child on a visit covered by this 'blanket' consent.

Signed: Name: (Parent/Carer)

Date:



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Date	Event
11 Sept	Reception starters lunch
15 Sept	3.30pm KS1 to KS2 Parents Meeting
16 Sept	3.30pm RWINC Parents Meeting
Week 21 Sept	After school clubs start
25 Sept	am Macmillan Coffee Morning
25 Sept	12.30pm Y5/6 selected pupils – Girls Football Competition, Selby High School
26 Sept	Cawood Beer Festival organised by the Friends
28 Sept	Year 5 out – STEM day at Selby High School
01 Oct	9.30am Harvest Worship – All Saints Church
05 Oct	Class 3 out – Aided Schools Workshop Day, Ripon Cathedral
Week 12 Oct	RE Themed Week
14 Oct	3.30pm Messy Church event in the hall
19 Oct	am Individual school photos
19 Oct	3.40 – 6.00pm Parent Evenings
20 Oct	12.30pm Y5/6 selected pupils – TAG Rugby Competition, Selby Rugby Club
21 Oct	3.40 – 6.00pm Parent Evenings
09 Nov	am Cross Country – cluster event – any children in Years 3-6 – heats for area final – Brayton High
11 Nov	6.30pm Parent Evening for Robinwood Residential
08 Dec	Christmas Productions – KS1 am
09 Dec	Christmas Productions – KS1 evening
10 Dec	Christmas Productions - Nursery am
14 Dec	9.30am Christmas Service, All Saints Church – led by KS2
14 Dec	pm KS2 Film/Party afternoon
16 Dec	9.30am Riding Lights Theatre Company
16 Dec	am Nursery Party, pm KS1 Party
18 Dec	9.10am Christingle Worship
18 Dec	2.15pm – Christmas sing-a-long
13 Jan	pm Selby Swimming Gala – Year 5/6 selected pupils – Selby Leisure Centre
08 Feb	am High Five Netball – Year 5/6 selected pupils – Selby High School
10 Feb	3.30pm Messy Church event in the hall
24/26 Feb	Robinwood Residential – Years 5 and 6
29 Feb/01 Mar	Year 6 Bikeability Group 1
02/03 Mar	Year 6 Bikeability Group 2
08 Mar	am Assemblies for KS1 and KS2 by NSPCC Childline
15 Mar	am Workshop for Years 5 and 6 by NSPCC Childline
18 Mar	am Quick Sticks Hockey – Years 5/6 selected pupils – Selby High School
21 Mar	3.40 – 6.00pm Parent Evenings and Interim Reports
23 Mar	3.40 – 6.00pm Parent Evenings and Interim Reports
24 Mar	9.10am Easter Celebration – in hall
26 April	pm Kwik Cricket – Years 5/6 selected pupils, Selby Cricket Club
09/13 May	Year Y6 SATS
18 May	3.30pm Messy Church event in the hall
20 May	pm Tennis – Years 3/4 selected pupils, Brayton High School
09 June	am Class Photographs
13/17 June	Year 1 Phonics Screening check week
13 June	6.30pm Reception New Starters Meeting
15 June	pm Tri Golf Festival – Years 3/4 selected pupils – Brotherton Primary School
29 June	pm – Sports Day
05 July	Year 6 Induction Day – Brayton and Barlby High
06 July	School Open Day
12 July	Year 6 Induction Day – Selby High
25 July	am New classes swap morning
26 July	9.10am Leavers' Assembly in hall



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