

SUMMERBRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

6th October 2023



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Covid Guidance The government have recently updated their advice and set out the latest rules around COVID-19 in schools, colleges, nurseries and other educational settings. Schools no longer provide testing kits, but if you do decide to test for COVID-19 and the test comes back poisitive, the advice is as follows:



5 Sep - Children back to school

18 Sep -Swimming starts for Willow Class

6 Oct - Fire Talk from NYFS

9 Oct -Individua photos

18 Oct - Full Governing Body

27 Oct - Break

6 Nov - Return to school

Children and young people under the age of 18 who test positive should try and stay at home and avoid contact with other people for three days. This is because children and young people tend to be infectious to other people for less time than adults. Adults with a positive COVID-19 test result are advised to try and stay at home and avoid contact with other people for five days, which is when they are most infectious.

To prevent the spread of any infections please can we remind everyone of the importance of regular hand washing and cleaning. Thank you.

Uniform Please can I remind you that children should come to school wearing either white or navy blue school polo shirts as per our uniform guidelines. Thank you.

https://darleyandsummerbridge.co.uk/about-us/school-uniform/

PTFA AGM Thank you to those of you who attended our PTFA meeting last night. It was agreed that Steven Lofthouse would remain as chair, Joanne Kaslow would remain as Vice-chair and Caroline Ball would remain as treasurer for this academic year. They have collectively done an amazing job for our children and I would like to thank them for their dedication. This will be their last year in these crucial roles so please do start thinking about whether you might wish to take on a more active role next year.

We have had a really good year of raising and spending the money that you, the parents so kindly donate and raise. We raised **£4407** last year and spent **£4537** (we did have some carry over from the previous year!) This year we would like to raise a similar amount so that the things we have gratefully had can be repeated.

Our next meeting is the Christmas Fair planning meeting which is at 7.30pm via Zoom on 21st November. Please do attend this meeting as we need as many volunteer helpers as possible. Thank you.

Bonfire Guidance We have been contacted by the Environmental Health Office who have asked us to share the following with parents just in case you are planning a bonfire any time soon:



Q) What is proposed to be burned on the bonfire? All material should be clean and safe, no treated wood, tyres, plastics, rubber and oil should be burned. Only burn small amounts of paper, leaves, wood and cardboard and ensure the waste is kept secure before burning. If the waste can harm health or pollute the environment it should not be burned.

Q) Where has that material come from? Don't be a victim of waste crime, do not accept waste from a business, commercial or industrial setting, it should be waste that has originated from your domestic property only. If you suspect illegal waste activity report it anonymously to Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or if waste is being burned contact North Yorkshire Council (Harrogate area) on: 0300 131 2 131 or report it online via this link Environmental protection enquiries and issues - About this form - Section 1 - SRT - My Harrogate or send an email to environmental protect.har@northyorks.gov.uk.

Q) Is it appropriate, safe and legal to burn? Follow the above advice and that stated in the documents below and ensure you position the bonfire in a safe area where there is no risk of other buildings, land or trees catching fire, or people being hurt. Manage the fire to ensure flames and smoke are controlled, and ensure the fire is never left unattended.

If you decide to have bonfire at home make sure you are fully aware of the information above and that stated in the following useful documents.

Remember Bonfire Night but make it legal and safe: Remember remember bonfire night but make it legal and safe - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

Burning waste on campfires and bonfire: GOV.UK

Garden Bonfires: The rules: Garden bonfires: the rules - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

A community guide to celebrating with bonfires and fireworks: <u>Celebrating with bonfires and fireworks</u> - <u>GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)</u>

If you are able to provide the above information to your parents/guardians/teachers/pupils I would be most grateful.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards

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And finally... just a reminder that it is individual photos on Monday - if you have a child in school who has a younger sibling (not yet at school) please do come along for 8.55am so their photo can be taken.