CENTRAL NEWS



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News

What a busy week, with lots of information to share. Children have been busy in Y1 and Y2 completing their Phonics Testing - well done to all involved. Year 5 children have taken part in a Classics afternoon at Hill House. Staff have been making links in the community and making plans for the coming weeks.

Ronnie and Reggie Diaries

Ronnie and Reggie have been well received by all in school, bringing many smiles when they are needed. This week they enjoyed forest school, reading and lots of snuggles.

Attendance

Whole School Attendance - 92.5% Highest House Mallard Blue with 93.7% What a fantastic week for attendance! We have had 2 successful fun games afternoons where lots of parents, carers and family members came to spend time with their child/ren for achieving over 94% attendance in May. It was so lovely to see you all there and making memories, thank you for your continued support and we hope to see you at more of these events in the

future! A big thank you to all the staff that helped Miss Allison made the sessions run smoothly.

We strongly urge parents/carers to not take holidays during term time however, we know that lots of you have holidays booked over the next few months. Please be reminded that you must inform the school office if your child is going to be absent. The attendance team carry out home visits and if you have reported your child as absent due to illness and we are unable to make a successful visit, we can refer you to Doncaster Council for a suspected holiday fine. Thank you for your support.

Ready

Be ready for school, be on time and dressed appropriately with the items you need for the day.

Respectful

Listen to others, use appropriate language, look after the building and objects within. Keep hands



Find out what's on in Doncaster...

Click the picture for more information.



A Big Thank You

We wish to say a big thank you to all the people who have helped us with our recent gardening project for the raised beds and the Forest School Sensory area. Jonathan @ B&Q Doncaster, A-ZEN of plants, Edlington and community members in Intake and Balby.



Safe

Follow the rules for health and safety for yourself and others. Be in the right place at the right

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Safeguarding

Children often have lots of questions about different backgrounds, cultures and beliefs. This is not always the easiest topic to talk about especially when questions may be linked to racist comments and beliefs. Click on the picture for the link to the NSPCC website, which will provide you with some support if you would like to talk to your child about this.



Talking to children about racism

Advice to help parents or concerned adults understand how to talk to children about race and racism, and what you can do to support a child who's experiencing racial bullying.

www.nspcc.org.uk

Stay safe in the sun.

With the hotter weather finally arriving, don't forget to lather your child and yourself in sunscreen. Skin Cancer is directly linked to over exposure of the UV rays from the sun. The sun can be good for us and help with the production of Vitamin D, which is essential for our health, but you should protect your skin before it starts to turn red or burn. In the UK, the sun's UV rays are the strongest between 11am and 3pm from early April until late September. During this time, the sun may be strong enough to damage your skin even on a cloudy day, particularly if it is windy.

Take extra care to protect your skin. Use at least a factor 15 sunscreen (Preferably factor 30+) and reapply regularly.

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Reading at BCPA.

Mrs Hemmingway is giving a prize for the top 5 readers next week. Make sure your child reads with you this week and note the pages you have read.

Let's see if we can break our record for the most reads!

Year 6 London Trip

If your child went to London, we hope they told you all the tales. We had such a wonderful time. A huge thank you to the children for being so amazing and also to the staff members who gave their time and energy to make the trip such a success and to give the children such life experiences.

Playground

Thank you to all parents and children for remembering to walk in the playground rather than scoot or ride bikes. Please can we also remind you that even in hot weather a T-Shirt should be worn onto the school playground. Thank you.

School Picnic

Save the date - Picnic Day 7th July 2023

We are excited to tell you about our annual school picnic event. For new parents and carers to our school, the picnic day is a chance for families to come together to share a picnic on the school field. We ask families to bring a picnic blanket and this year we would like to celebrate all cultures in our school, with a theme of **foods from around**



the world. Our picnic day is an opportunity to spend time as a family, watch a performance and purchase items from our class enterprise projects!

We can only accept **cash** on the day and there will be many different organisations and companies on the school site for families to visit stalls and find out more information – all in one place and maybe a few surprises too!

Tickets are now available to get your tickets via Parent Pay



If any parents/carers have a craft business and would like to hold a stand at the picnic we would love to see you there. There will be a £10 charge per stand. Please email <u>admin@balbycentralprimary.co.uk</u> if you wish to hold a stand or require more