



# School Newsletter

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## Message from Miss Boardman

Well done everyone on a great first week back to school.

We have introduced 'Zones of Regulation' across the school. This helps children to understand different feelings and to learn about what they could do to move from one zone to another.



No zone or feeling is wrong but sometimes it's not helpful to be in a particular zone and we need to know how to move into a different zone.

There is helpful video about Zones of Regulation [here](#). You might like to talk to our children about it at home too.

I would like to give a warm welcome to Miss Rose who has started as Kahlo teacher this term.



**Thursday 18th January 2024**

### Mains

Beef Burger in a Bun Served with Potato Wedges & Sweetcorn

Or

Vegetable Burger in a Bun Served with Potato Wedges & Sweetcorn

### Dessert

American Chocolate Brownie



This Thursday will be an American themed lunch. This is available to book on Parent Pay. Jacket potatoes and sandwiches are also available as usual. As this is a census day and we get funded on the number of YR and KS1 children who have a meal, we encourage everyone to book a meal for your child to try. Children are welcome to bring a packed lunch in case they don't like the school dinner.

Apologies for the problems with Parent Pay last week. These are all resolved now and the menu is correct.

To help the cook to order the correct amount of food, we ask that you book lunches for your child for a whole half term if your child is entitled to a free meal.

Otherwise, we ask that you book meals by the Wednesday for the following week as the cook does her ordering on a Thursday. Thank you!

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## Dates

Click [here](#) to view term dates for 2023-24

Week beg 29th January—Stay and Learn sessions—dates to follow

Friday 2nd Feb—non uniform day and Farah class bake sale

12th—16th February—half term

Thursday 22nd Feb—Farah Class start swimming lessons at Bootham Pool to 23rd May

Weds 6th March—Mums invited for lunch

Weds 13th March—Mums invited for lunch

Friday 8th March—world book day celebrations in school

Friday 15th March—non uniform day for Comic Relief

Weds 20th March—Class photographs

Weds 20th March 2pm Easter Service in church

Thursday 21st March—break up for Easter

Monday 8th April—children return to school

Friday 3rd May—non uniform day and Hadid bake sale

Friday 7th June—non uniform day and Attenborough class bake sale

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## Attenborough — Miss Pomfret

What a super first week back Reception! I am so impressed with how well you have all settled back into your routines, so a big well done to everyone and a very warm welcome to our new class member Fabio!

We have loved using our new mini classroom this week in provision and we all went on a nature walk to look for signs for winter together.



## Hadid— Ms Pena Harran and Mrs Bruce

Welcome back! Hadid class have had a lovely first week back and have done some great learning.

In English we have started our new writing unit based on *The Mystery of the Golden Wonderflower*. We examined a bag of things and tried to work out who it could belong to. We now know that the sleeping bag, sandwich, coat, map and compass belong to Fox who is going on an expedition looking for a rare flower.



This half term we will be doing Dance on Tuesday afternoons with Drew from York Dance Space. We were so impressed with their first lesson this week - they showed great creativity and teamwork. Please can you make sure that the children have their PE kits in school on Tuesdays and Thursdays with their earrings removed.



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## Farah— Mrs Bellinger

We have had a great first week back in Farah Class. I am proud of how hard the children have worked and it has been lovely to catch up with all of their Christmas news.

In English, we have started looking at a new book this week: 'Noodle Man the Pasta Superhero' by April Fayre, illustrated by Stephen Castanza. We enjoyed guessing which pasta went with which name; we had no idea there were so many pasta types!



Later in the week we acted out a range of scenes from the story and thought about how the different characters might be feeling.



## Kahlo—Miss Rose

Kahlo class have made a great start to the Spring term this week and it has been lovely finding out more about each other's interests and hobbies!



We have been practising our drama skills by acting out and trying to guess different emotional states as we begin to explore the Zones of Regulation as a class. This is helping us to recognise which zone that we are in so that we can identify tools and strategies to help us manage more difficult emotions.

We have also been analysing non-chronological reports and gathering research on the Ancient Greeks so that we can begin to write our own.

