



## Newsletter

## No. 5

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2018

### Introduction

It has been another busy week at Acomb Primary with visits to places of worship all week long. Children have been to York Minster, Holgate Methodist Church, St Stephen's Church and the Church of Latter Day Saints. Lots has been learned and some new links made for future work.

I had the pleasure of seeing more excellent work this week – Marcus and Evie brought me their maths work. They had been applying a lot of skills to multi-step problems and even used ratio to solve money conversion questions.

### Upcoming Events

*October*

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> (pm):** Parent 'Crafternoon'

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup>:** Non-Uniform day (Friends of Acomb)

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup>:** School closes for half term

All dates are available online at: [www.acombprimary.org.uk/parents/calendar-dates/](http://www.acombprimary.org.uk/parents/calendar-dates/)

### Crafternoon

On Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October, we will be holding our first 'Crafternoon' of the year. You can come to school to work alongside your child or children in their classrooms on something practical. Reception and Year One classes will be sending out time slots to all parents. Years Two to Six are opening classrooms from 2pm. Unfortunately, we don't have room for younger siblings.

Please come along to support the children – you will be able to get in through the playground doors to the classrooms.

The back gate (Nursery Drive) will be opened from 1pm.

## Harvest

As part of our continuing work with YoYo, this year we will be having a Harvest celebration linked to the idea of giving on Monday 22nd October. The children will be learning stories from the bible about bread and collaborating together to create a whole school assembly at the end of the day. During this assembly a representative from the local food bank will be visiting and we would love to present him with a school contribution of food. If you would like to donate food to this cause, then please leave it in the marked crates in the reception area. For an up-to-date list of food items, please visit: <https://york.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/> or see the list we have copied from the website today. Thank you.

## Food Bank Items

### URGENTLY NEEDED FOOD ITEMS

Dried milk  
Long-life milk  
Long life fruit juice  
Rice pudding  
Sponge puddings  
Tinned fish  
Tinned tomatoes  
Tinned fruit  
Tinned custard  
Tinned meat  
Tinned vegetables

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Household Cleaning Products

**We've got plenty of:**

Baked beans / tinned spaghetti  
Tinned soup  
Breakfast cereals / porridge  
Tea bags

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Sanitary products

## Friends of Acomb Primary

We have a busy few weeks coming up with more dates and deadlines to remember.

On Monday your child will receive a greeting card order and design form from Cauliflower Cards. Details of how you can submit an order, make payment, and the deadline for doing so, are attached to the form itself. This has always been a really popular fundraiser for us and we hope that you can get involved.

We are hosting a Spooky Disco for children in Y1 - Y6 on Friday 19 October 2018. A letter with full details about this will also be sent home on Monday. It is with much regret that we are unable to open this event to Reception children this year. With more children than ever in school combined with the adult/child ratios required for this age group, there is simply not the space available. Again, we're sorry to disappoint and we thank our Reception parents for their understanding in this matter.

Finally, we are holding a Pumpkin Carving Competition on Thursday 25 October 2018 which is open to all children. Posters will be put up around school shortly with details, the Children LOVE this competition - start pinteresting for ideas!

## Reminders from each phase

### All Pupils in Reception to Year 5

Children will be immunised in school on Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> December but only with parent/carer's consent. To do this, parents/carers **MUST** visit [www.hdft.nhs.uk/flu-consent](http://www.hdft.nhs.uk/flu-consent) using access code G97MU. **The school is not able to authorise this for you.**

#### *Foundation Stage (Reception)*

The Reception children will be walking to Acomb Explore Library on Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October **during the morning**. They will be finding out what happens at the library and collecting their Time to Read packs. The children should all wear uniform, sensible footwear and a coat. We need lots of volunteers to walk with us so please let us know if you can come. Unfortunately, we can't accept an offer of help if you have other children in your care. Thank you, K. Bradley and E. Peggs

#### *Upper Key Stage Two (Y5 & Y6)*

**Years 5 and 6** will be visiting Askham Bog on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October. We are taking on a live project with Yorkshire Wildlife Trust, to write letters and try and save the site from development. This is a great opportunity to continue the work done in UKS2 last year, when we were 'being the change we wanted to see' with the Archbishop of York's Youth Trust.

The site visit will be in school time and we will be back in time for lunch. Your child should wear school uniform and a coat but please ensure that they have old, sturdy shoes or wellies. We shall travel there and back by coach and the school will pay the cost of travel.

If any parents can assist for the morning please get in touch with Ms Jackson, Mrs Batey, Miss Bevins or Mrs Forrest. Thank you.

#### **Young Voices**

A reminder to all **year 5** parents/carers to return the Young Voices form for your child. If any parents would like to travel on the coach with the children (leaving here late morning), please let Mrs Forrest know. You will not be able to come into the arena until the start of the concert so you will have time in Sheffield during the afternoon.