

Headteacher's news:

On Monday, the vast majority of Y6 started their transition to secondary with a visit to Benton Park. The children made good first impressions and I received a lovely email from Mrs Martin (Headteacher) stating that they were a credit to Rufford Park and that their enthusiasm and thoughtful insight in to their transition was really positive to see. Well done Y6!

I hope that we are able to continue with our plans (including transition visits like Y6 did on Monday) over the next 5 weeks but the extension of the current restrictions may not allow for this. The H&S Team at Leeds City Council (LCC) are due to update their guidance for schools. Watch this space...

Have a good weekend.

School Calendar 2021-22 changes: In Issue 32, I shared the calendar for the next academic year. Since then, we have had confirmation from LCC that the school year has been officially shortened by 1 day to take into account the extra bank holiday for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. I have republished the new school calendar. The main change is that the last day of the academic year is now Tuesday 26 July 2022 (instead of Wed 27 July 2022). The impact of this is that we now have 1 training day to allocate (Mon 25 to Wed 27 July were all going to be training days for us). The additional day will be used at some point in the spring or summer of 2022. [Click here](#) to see the changes.

Staffing news: Before half term, we recruited 3 new teachers who will join the school in September. I was impressed by the volume of applications - if you recall, we had over 100 applications for these positions - and equally impressed by the quality of the successful candidates. All 3 teachers will be visiting school on Friday 9 July.



Mr Ranton



Miss Simms



Miss Atkinson

Click below to see what has been happening in your child's class this week.

[Nursery](#) [Reception](#) [Y1 Pear](#) [Y1/2 Lime](#) [Y2 Cherry](#)

[Y3 Willow](#) [Y3/4 Cedar](#) [Y4 Beech](#)

[Y5 Oak](#) [Y5/6 Ash](#) [Y6 Maple](#)

In assemblies this week... we talked about healthy heating. We looked at the 'Eatwell' plate and also reminded all the children of the [packed lunch policy](#). Re-issuing the packed lunch policy has been on the list of things to do for some time. For those who are still relatively new to school (like me), it is important to note that this policy went through a vigorous consultation process before it was published. Please read this policy and make any appropriate changes to the contents of your child's packed lunch. Thank you in advance.

Some picture to share (zooming in required): Reception had a brilliant trip to Nell Bank last Friday (can you spot the Gruffalo?) and Y5 Oak created healthy eating posters this week.



Dates for the diary

Mon 28 June: Teacher Training Day

Fri 2 July: [Summer Fun Day](#)

Fri 9 July: Children to meet their new teacher 9:00-10:30

Mon 19 July: Infant Disco - N&R 2-3pm + KS1 3:30-4:45pm (straight after school)

Tues 21 July: KS2 Disco - Y3&4 3:30-4:45pm (straight after school) + Y5&6 5:30-7:00pm