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GRIMES DYKE NEWSLETTER



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Chinese New Year



Chinese Lunar New Year, also known as Lunar New Year or Spring Festival – begins on Tuesday, Feb. 17 and marks the start of the **Year of the Fire Horse**, last seen in 1966. Celebrated by millions around the world, the holiday follows the lunisolar calendar and always begins on the date of the second new moon after the winter solstice each December. In 2026, that new moon coincides with both a rare “ring of fire” annular solar eclipse and the first sighting of the Ramadan crescent moon, making it one of the most significant celestial and cultural days of the year. Reception Class celebrated early as we will be on half term when the official date happens. They tasted a range of Chinese foods and learned all about the festival.



Holiday Clubs



Club	Day / Time / Class	Information
Zootopia	Monday-Friday 9am-3.30pm R-Y6	A whole week of animal themed activities run by Ros and Mrs Davies. This is going to be one of our best clubs ever!
Activity Club (P.E. Partners)	Monday-Friday 9am-3.30pm R-Y6	This is a fun club run by a P.E. company. The club will be open to other schools so sign up quickly to secure a place.
Football Club with Craig	Wednesday 9-12 R-Y2 1-3pm Y3-Y6	Come and show off your football skills

Do you have a child coming to our holiday clubs this half term? Please remember to be on time as there will be nobody available in the school office to answer the gate buzzer. The gates will be open just before 9am and will only stay open for 15 minutes so if you're late your child may miss out on the day's activities.



Young Voices 2026



Our Young Voices choir headed to Sheffield Arena this week for this year's concert. It was a late night as they didn't get back until 10pm but everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves singing and dancing with children from all over Yorkshire. Huge thanks to the staff who attended for staying up way past their bedtimes!

After School Clubs



We have a wide range of after school clubs on offer for the next half term, which is 6 weeks long. This includes a new club, photography, which will be on a Friday. This club will be open to all KS2 pupils, but will have limited spaces. Please apply if you think your child would enjoy this club, but wait until a place is allocated before paying the £6 payment. All after school clubs are charged at £1 per session with the exception of dance which is £2 per session. All clubs are payable in advance to secure a place. We would appreciate it if you would check that your child enjoys the club before applying as we sometimes have children taking up places in clubs who say they are only there because their mum says they have to go!

Day	Club	Year Group
Monday	Construction Club	Rec – Y2
	French	KS2 by invitation
Tuesday	Fun Club	KS2
	Science & Nature	KS2 (already full, please ask to be added to waiting list)
	Roller Skating	Y6
Wednesday	Fun Club	KS1
Thursday	Art Club	KS1
	Football	Y3 & 4
Friday	Fun Club	Y4,5,6
	Photography	KS2
	Dance	Rec, Y1,2,3 Y4,5,6 * 4.15-5.15pm

