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GRIMES DYKE NEWSLETTER



After School Clubs Start Again

This term's after school clubs started on Monday this week with some new clubs appearing on the timetable. We started on Monday with Mrs Vastel's Leading Linguists club with lots of excited children attending. The Leading Linguists carry out a very important role across school so they were keen to get started. On Tuesday we introduced a new art club for KS1 children led by Mrs Davies, they all worked on self portraits using paper plates. Mrs Vastel was then back on wheels for Y6 roller skating club and Science and Nature Club began it's 4th year of this very popular club. Don't forget it's dance club tonight too!

We are aware that we don't have any sports / activity clubs yet, this is because we have changed provider and also because these were not very well attended in the summer term. We are committed to keeping clubs really low cost for families so everyone can access them, but if only a small group attends then it's very expensive for school to provide staff and resources. We are instead going to offer a 'Fun Activity Club' for children to attend, this will include a range of activities indoor and out so watch out for a separate letter about this. We are also organising a football club for Y3 and Y4













We do have spaces at some of our clubs and a waiting list if there are any you would like your child to access. Call into the office and speak to Mrs Wilson about adding your children to the clubs / waiting lists.

What was life like in the Blitz?

The children in Y6 have started a new history topic focussing on life in Britain during WW2. They tried to imagine what it was like in the Blitz using the sandpit to make towns and villages which were then bombed from above!











What have you done at school today?

How many times have you asked your child what they have done at school and they've replied with, 'I don't know', 'I can't remember' or even worse 'nothing!' This year, we are trialling a new approach to communicate learning with families and have sent home a class newsletter detailing all the main learning and a topic knowledge organiser (Y1 - Y6) so you can see exactly what your children will be learning. We are hoping you've put these somewhere like the fridge so you can chat to your children about their topics and see what knowledge they might of picked up. Some families might want to visit the library or look up extra information on the internet to help your child and you might even consider taking your child on a visit to a museum for example to interest them more. If you didn't receive a copy last week, let us know and we can send another one out.

School Meal Price Increase

This September, we have had no choice but to increase the price of our school meals in line with other schools across Leeds. For those who pay for school meals the cost will now be £2.90 a meal which works out as £14.50 per week. This still represents excellent value for the food the children receive but we know nobody likes a price increase! Watch out for a new school menu coming out in October - more information coming soon.

Raffle Tickets

Did you buy raffle tickets at the festival? We have one unclaimed prize left and it's a good one! The winning ticket is pink with the numbers 56-60. Check your tickets and any visitors you brought along.