MARTIN FROBISHER INFANT SCHOOL
Newsletter 4 – Friday 25th January 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

Parent Questionnaire
We always welcome the views and opinions of our parents and carers. Our annual questionnaire has been sent home with children which we hope you will take the time to complete, sharing your compliments and any areas you feel we can improve upon with us. The children will also be completing their own questionnaire over the next week.

Parent Governor Vacancy
Our Governing Body currently has a Parent Governor vacancy. Do you feel you are able to offer a commitment to attend our governing body meetings (9 per year) and to spend some time in school getting to know all about the fantastic work we do? Please contact the school office for more details and an application form.

Tesco Uniform
Tesco will cease to run their embroidered uniform service from 12th February. All outstanding orders will be fulfilled and the service has been taken over by My Clothing. The website address for them is https://www.myclothing.com.

Weather
We have seen a noticeable change in the weather during this last week. We will always endeavour to keep school open and accessible but in extreme circumstances we may have to close the school. If we have to close we will notify parents by the app, on Twitter, on the Wakefield Council website and on Ridings FM.

Park Run
The Junior Park Run sessions at Pontefract and Thornes Parks have started and it is great to see that some of our children and families have already taken part. If you would like more information or wish to register you can do so at www.parkrun.org.uk/register/

Active mornings
Can we remind everyone that Miss Chapman will be in the playground from 8.30am every morning encouraging children (and parents!) to join in with Wake-up, Shake-up or other active activities. This is one of our initiatives to ensure children are as active and healthy as possible during the school day. Come along and join in the fun.

After school clubs
After school clubs have once again been very popular. Miss Chapman will be working with the School Council to find out which clubs they would like her to run for the remainder of the year. If your child has an idea for a new club please encourage them to share.

Key Stage 1 SATs
KS1 SATs must be completed by all children in Year 2 in May. It is therefore very important that all children attend school during this month. If you know of any dates children will be absent during May it is vital you inform school as soon as possible so that we can plan when children will be able to complete the different assessments set by the Government.

Year 1 Phonics screening
As with the Year 2 SATs the Year 1 phonics screening also has to be completed during a set time in the school year. This year the screening week is week beginning 10th June 2019. Please avoid taking any holidays during this week.

Book Fair
The fair will be in school during the week beginning the 18th March. Parents and Carers are invited into school to view the books, which will be in the library, after school.

FOMFIS

FOMFIS had a very busy half term before Christmas and they have not stopped. They have already planned a spring disco for Thursday 14th February at The Brig and following on from the success of the last band night they have arranged another evening for adults at The Brig on Saturday 18th May. The entertainment will be provided by the brilliant live band 'Metro'.

More information will be available at a later date.

Safeguarding request

Please can I respectfully ask that should you need to go to the office after dropping your child off in their classroom, you leave by the same exit and walk round to the office. This is to ensure we offer a safe environment for all our children.

Children arriving late

Wherever possible, routine medical appointments should not be made during the school day, we appreciate however that hospital appointments are difficult to change. If your child will be late due to an appointment or for any other reason on a morning, please call school and speak to a member of staff by 9.00am in order to book your child's lunch and advise us of their late arrival. If a call is not received then a lunch cannot be ordered and you will need to bring a packed lunch. Please also follow up any appointments with a slip or hospital letter if they are not available prior to it.

School term dates 2019-20

The school tern time dates have been published on the Wakefield Council website. As a school we will be sticking to these dates as published. The Inset dates are yet to be set and we will inform parents of these as soon as they have been decided.

Dates – Further details will follow nearer to specific dates

31 01 19 – Stingray Class Assembly 9.15am

06 02 19 – Starfish & Angelfish Class Assembly 9.15am

15 02 19 – School closes

25 02 19 – School opens

07 03 19 – World Book Day – details to follow

w/c 18 03 19 – Book Fair

21 03 19 - Dolphins Class Assembly 9.15am

28 03 19 - Turtles Class Assembly 9.15am

29 03 19 – Key Stage 1 Mothering Sunday Service at **St Mary Magdalene Church**. 9.45am – Parents & carers invited – Details to follow

05 04 19 Easter Bonnet Parade – Morning Nursery 11am Afternoon nursery and main school 1.30pm

05 04 19 – School closes

23 04 19 – School opens

02 05 19 – School closed for local election (subject to change)

06 05 19 – School closed – Bank holiday

24 05 19 – School closes

03 06 19 – School opens

13 06 19 – Stingrays Class Assembly 9.15am

W/c 17 06 19 – Y2 cycling – Details to follow

28 06 19 – Starfish and Angelfish Class Assembly 9.15am

17 07 19 - Leavers disco. Time TBC

18 07 19 - Leavers assembly 2pm

19 07 19 – School closes

Inset Days

We have already taken 2 of our 5 Inset days for the year. The remaining dates are **Thursday 2nd May, Monday 22nd July and 23rd July**.

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs L Carter.
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead: Miss R Griffiths.
Safeguarding Governor: Mrs C Thompson.
If you are worried a child is at risk of harm please contact either of the above or: Social Care Direct on 01924 303456

Please can you complete and return the information below to advise which of our services you are signed up for. This is so we can gauge who is receiving the information we are sending out. Please return by Friday 1st February.

Child's Name_____ **Class**_____

I am signed up to the following:- please answer each application

School Jotter App	**Yes/No**
School Twitter Page	**Yes/No**
Email subscription via school website	**Yes/No**
FOMFIS Facebook Page	**Yes/No**