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Dear Parents and Carers,

October Newsletter

RE Themed Week

It is RE themed week in school this week. All classes are focusing on RE through Art each afternoon, helping to prepare a display on the church's year for the corridor and each adult will be reading a story from a world faith in a story safari on Thursday. There will be an opportunity for parents to join us for Together Time on Friday at 2.45pm to see some of the work from the week. Please join us if you can.

Sainsbury's School Games



Following the work we did last year with regards to school sport and our participation in inter school competitions, I am pleased to say that we have been awarded our bronze award. We will continue to enter more competitions this year and the children are becoming increasingly involved in the organisation of sports events such as the Golden Mile. Being involved in the organisation of sporting events, more 'B' team participation in competitions and further intra-school games will all help us to move towards our silver award.

On the sporting front, congratulations to the girls' football team who came third in the Selby schools competition a couple of weeks ago. Next week sees the area Tag Rugby competition – good luck to our team. Sportshall Athletics and the cluster Cross Country event will be happening soon after half term.

Well done also to those children who took part in the Summer Sports Challenge; small prizes will be given for completing the challenge.

Friends of Cawood School - A message from the Beer Festival Committee

A big thank you to everyone who supported the beer festival last month. Despite the competition from the Rugby and the Air Show we managed to raise £2600. Thankfully, the weather was again good to us and it was nice to see so many outside enjoying the barbecue.

We still have some glasses and t-shirts left if anyone missed out at £2 and £3 respectively. Please enquire at the office.



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We are pleased to say that we now have sufficient funds to go ahead with the outdoor classroom. This has been funded solely by the Friends. Further information will follow about the money that has been raised over recent months and where it has been spent in order that everyone sees it as a worthwhile cause and appreciates how all of the extra purchases that school makes to support your child's learning are funded.



Friends of Cawood School – Upcoming event

The Friends are organising a Christmas Craft Fair. This will be held on Friday 20th November from 7.00 – 9.00pm in the school hall. If anyone is interested in having a stall at the fair, these can be booked for £10 each plus a small donation of a prize for the raffle. Please contact Emma Chittock (Chairperson of the Friends) on 07852 252575 for bookings. Tickets will be available soon at a cost £5 each to include entry and refreshments.

Governor News

Following the first Governing Body meeting of the year, Mr Jeremy Nott has been re-elected as the Chair of the Governing Body and Mrs Jackie Grey as vice chair. There is a full list of the Governing Body on the school website and you should have received a separate letter regarding the election of new parent governors yesterday.

Responsible Use of the Internet Statement

On an annual basis we ask all pupils and parents in Key Stages 1 and 2 to complete and return our responsible use statement. This highlights the way in which the Internet should be used in school and gives parents an opportunity to discuss the whole area of Esafety with their children. If you want further information, please ask in school or refer to one of the following:

Think u Know Website - Resources which encourage young people to have fun with new technology, whilst staying in control of the risks. Importantly, they also signpost where a child can go if they have any concerns. <http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk>

Kidsmart is a practical Internet safety programme for schools, young people, and parents produced by the children's internet charity Childnet International. <http://www.kidsmart.org.uk>

Know It All is Childnet's suite of free education resources designed to help educate Parents and Carers, Secondary Schools and Primary Schools with content for young people on safe and positive use of the internet. Captain Kara's SMART Adventure introduces pupils to the five SMART rules. <http://www.childnet-int.org/kia/primary>

Parent/Teacher Evenings

We welcome you to attend the first parent/teacher evenings of the year next week. These will be held on Monday 19th October and Wednesday 21st October. Times vary so please see the slip below for details. The Reception children's parents have a slightly longer session (15 minutes compared to the usual 10 minutes) with Mrs Mudge and so her sessions will start at 2.00pm.

This is an opportunity for you to discuss your child's start to the year, review targets set in their end of year report and share how we can best work together. Please do try and attend.



Indicate on the form which day and approximate time would suit best and return it to school. You will then receive back a confirmed time from the School Office. We will also be conducting our annual parental questionnaire on these evenings so your feedback would be very much appreciated.

Thank You

Thank you to all who baked cakes and gave to the Fair Trade Foundation after Class 4's worship last week. £70.36 was raised.



Thank you also to all those who gave to our Harvest UNICEF collection for the Syrian Refugee Appeal. Over £220 was given and that will make a real difference to UNICEF's work in the refugee camps providing basic food, water and shelter.

Thank you to everyone who supported the book fair. As well as books for home, the commission received by school has enabled us to buy £39 worth of books for each of the classrooms.

Finally thank you for sorting out wellies and coats for the Keesbury Dig last week at short notice. All the children had an enjoyable time and discovered something new about the local history of the area.



Other Information

<p>School Place Applications</p>	<p>A reminder to parents of Year 6 pupils that High School online applications have to be completed by 31st October 2015. Parents of children eligible to start school in Reception in September 2016 should make their online applications by 15th January 2016. Parents should refer to the letters previously circulated for the application process. Parents making an application for a Reception place should also complete a Supplementary Information Form which is available on the school website. This should be returned to the school office.</p>
<p>Parking - A reminder about parking</p>	<p>If you do bring your child to school by car at the beginning or end of the school day, please park with consideration for the local residents, other road users and particularly with the safety of all the children in mind. Please also avoid parking on the yellow Zig Zags.</p>
<p>Individual School Photos</p> 	<p>A reminder that individual school photos are due to be taken on Monday 19th October. If you have preschool children who you wish to be photographed with their siblings in school, please come to the hall between 8.30 and 9.00am for these to be taken. All sibling groups of children in school will be taken at some point during the morning along with their individual photograph.</p>
<p>Dinner Money</p> 	<p>Please can I remind Key Stage 2 parents that dinner money should be sent in to school on Monday morning to your child's classteacher and not to the School Office. If payment is not received on a Monday, then a packed lunch will need to be provided for the rest of the week as money will have been banked and dinners ordered.</p>



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Nursery Requests



Mrs Rodgers would be grateful of any of the following donations if anyone is having a clear out:

- A toy garage
- Natural materials – planed wood, gravel, pine cones, bark chips for outdoor building
- Dressing up clothes (not character outfits)
- All in one outdoor suits for Forest School
- Metal toy vehicles
- Old cooking equipment for the outdoor 'mud' kitchen
- Small storage trolleys

Yours sincerely,

A K Smith

Mr Andrew Smith
Headteacher

If you would like this information in another language or format such as Braille, large print or audio, please ask us.



CAWOOD CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENT/TEACHER EVENINGS

			Please tick the appropriate time slot.
Classes 5, 4, 3, 2 Mrs Coulthard/Mr Smith, Mrs Rawes/Mrs Walker, Mr Crump*, Mrs Ramsdale	Monday 19 th October	between 3.40pm and 4.40pm	
		or 4.40pm and 6.00pm	
	Wednesday 21 st October	between 3.40pm and 4.40pm	
		or 4.40pm and 6.00pm	
*Mr Crump will be doing Class 3's parent evenings. Appointments on Wednesday for Mr Crump will finish at 5.40pm.			
Class 1 Mrs Mudge	Monday 19 th October	between 2.00pm and 4.00pm	
		or 4.00pm and 5.00pm	
		or 5.00pm and 5.45pm	
	Wednesday 21 st October	between 2.00pm and 4.00pm	
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