

Arnside National Primary School

'Aspire – Believe – Achieve'

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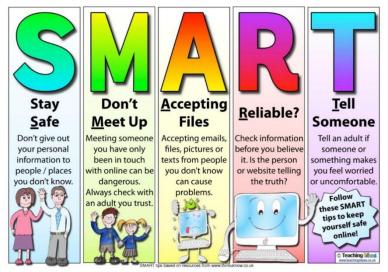
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Dear parent / carer,

The pupils have worked extremely hard over last half term and it was a good opportunity to discuss effort and attainment during the interim progress meetings held in the last week. If any parents / carers were unable to book an appointment, please contact your child's class teacher to arrange an additional time.

Internet Safety

On Tuesday 6th February, the whole school took part in Safer Internet Day and the focus this year was 'Inspiring Change'. All classes regularly learn about online safety and we use the SMART acronym to help us remember. The UK Safer Internet Centre and Childnet both have a range of resources to support parents / carers – definitely worth a look if you want up-to-date advice and support (see links below).



UK Safer Internet Centre Childnet

Key Steps

Our gymnasts have been learning, practising and refining their skills for weeks in preparation for the Key Steps competition. It was a fantastic afternoon and all the pupils were outstanding. Congratulations to the Y5/6 team who managed to qualify for the District competitions - wow. An excellent achievement by all involved!



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'Wear what you Love' Disco

On Thursday 22nd February, the FOANS are putting on a 'Wear what you Love' Disco. The infants will be held 5pm to 6pm and the Juniors 6pm to 7pm in the school hall. Its £2.50 entry which includes a drink and face paint, plus there is a tuck shop for the children to purchase a little treat. Hoglets are welcome to attend but we request that their parent / carer stays with them, thank you.

World Book Day Thursday 7th March

Just a reminder that on the Thursday 7th March it's World Book Day, so the children are invited to come dressed as their favourite book character or in their pyjamas. We're going to also have a '**Read to Your Teddy**' session on Thursday so the children can bring along a soft toy to read to - even the teachers will be taking part – you're never too old for a teddy! The Eco Club would also like to hold a 'costume swap' on Friday 1st March where book day costumes can be swapped for something different. Keep an eye on Dojo for further details.

This day of fun and all things literary will also be a charity fundraiser to raise money for those in the world who don't have any books (Book Aid International), so an optional £1 donation (via SchoolHub) to this good cause would be gratefully accepted. We are all looking forward to having a day devoted to books!

Modern Foreign Language (MFL) support

School has managed to secure two additional specialist sessions for language development. Mrs Wilkinson Bater is providing Spanish lessons in Year 6 and, in the next week or so, Mrs Sweeney will be offering a lunchtime French club for Year 3 & 4 pupils. A huge thank you for the offers of support, it's a great opportunity for the pupils to develop their conversational language with fluent specialists.

Lunchtime staff

We are very pleased to welcome Ms Hannah Yip and Mrs Leanne Waddington to the school lunchtime team. Both are employed by Orian who are responsible for our school meal provision.

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Class photos – Thursday 21st March Due to World Book Day, we have rescheduled the class photos to Thursday 21st March.



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This half term is set to be a busy one with a whole range of events, activities and theme weeks coming up. Please keep an eye on Dojo for class updates – it's a great platform for staff to post photos and celebrate achievements.

Yours sincerely, Mr Sharp

Dates for the diary:

Week 1

Thurs 22nd Feb Fri 23rd Feb FOANS disco Sportscool 'Glow in the dark' dodgeball sessions

Week 2

Wed 28th Feb Fri 1st Mar KS1 Sports hall athletics, Dallam School World Book day costume swap

Shared reading, Holly Bank Care Home

Week 3

Mon 4th Mar

Tues 5th Mar Wed 6th Mar Thurs 7th Mar

Week 4

Thurs 14th Mar Fri 15th Mar

Week 5

Tues 19th Mar Thurs 21st Mar

Week 6

Tues 26th & 27th Mar Thurs 28th Mar Key Steps district final World Book Day – non-uniform (book character or PJs) NISCU visit – whole school RE lessons

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Science Day Class photos

Fairtrade Fortnight

Book Week

Y3/4 residential to Ingleton Whole School Easter walk Celebration Worship, 1.10pm, St James' Break up for Easter, 2.00pm (Arnie's at 5.00pm)











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