

6th September 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to you all and an extra special welcome to all of our new Robin families! The children have all settled in extremely well and I know we are set to have a fantastic year ahead of us.

In assembly on Wednesday, we revisited our school learning behaviours and it has been wonderful to see these being put in place already as we have completed learning walks around the school.

Over the next week, you will be receiving a newsletter from your child's class teacher with a timetable and information about what they will be learning. If you have any questions, or we can help in anyway, please do not hesitate to contact the school office in the first instance, or catch us in the playground.

Have a wonderful, hopefully sunny, weekend!

Sarah King
Head of School



Online Safety

YouTube

This week's online safety guide focuses on YouTube. It highlights a number of risks such as connecting with strangers, inappropriate content and high visibility. Find out ways to minimise these risks to your children

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about YOUTUBE

Almost anyone with an internet connection knows YouTube. The Google-owned site lets anyone upload videos to be shared around the world, and it's free. It's an addictive resource with instant free access to material covering every conceivable topic. But with over 500 hours of video uploaded every minute, not all of it will be appropriate for young eyes.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

- INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT**: YouTube has a reputation for hosting inappropriate content, including videos that are violent, sexually explicit, or otherwise disturbing. Children may be exposed to this content through search results or recommendations.
- CONNECT WITH STRANGERS**: YouTube allows users to comment on videos and interact with each other. Children may be contacted by strangers, leading to potential grooming or cyberbullying.
- RADICALISATION**: YouTube has been used to spread extremist views and propaganda. Children may be exposed to these views through search results or recommendations.
- CONNECTING WITH STRANGERS**: YouTube allows users to comment on videos and interact with each other. Children may be contacted by strangers, leading to potential grooming or cyberbullying.
- TRENDS AND CHALLENGES**: YouTube has popularised various trends and challenges, some of which can be dangerous or harmful to children's health.
- SNEAKY SCAMMERS**: YouTube has been used by scammers to lure children into phishing or other fraudulent schemes.

Advice for Parents & Educators

- APPLY RESTRICTED MODE**: Enable Restricted Mode on YouTube to filter out potentially inappropriate content.
- TRY GOOGLE FAMILY**: Use Google Family Link to monitor and manage your child's YouTube activity.
- MONITOR ENGAGEMENT**: Regularly check your child's YouTube watch history and comments.
- CONSIDER YOUTUBE KIDS**: Consider using YouTube Kids, a platform designed specifically for children.
- CHECK PRIVACY SETTINGS**: Review your child's privacy settings to control who can see their videos and interact with them.
- LIMIT SPENDING**: Set limits on how much your child can spend on YouTube Premium or other services.

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Penalty Notice Fines for School Attendance are Changing!

With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, the following changes will come into force for Penalty Notice Fines issued after 19th August 2024.

Per Parent, Per Child
Penalty Notice Fines will now be issued to each parent, for each child that was absent.

For example: 3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent receiving 3 separate fines.

5 consecutive days of term time leave
Penalty Notice Fines will be issued for Term Time Leave of 5 or more consecutive days. Inset training days are school days and can be included in the 5 or more consecutive days where there was intent to be absent for term time leave.

10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10-week period
Penalty Notice Fines will be considered when there has been 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10 week period.

First Offence
The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.
Reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

Second Offence (within 3 years)
The second time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.

Third Offence and Any Further Offences (within 3 years)
The third time an offence is committed for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance a Penalty Notice will not be issued, and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrates' Court. Magistrates' fines can be up to £2500 per parent, per child.

Cases found guilty in Magistrates' Court can show on the parent's future DBS certificate, due to 'failure to safeguard a child's education'.

Nuts in School

Can we remind everyone that we are a nut free school.

Please check all items in lunchboxes and any snacks that come into school to make sure they do not contain any form of nuts.

We have had several occasions this week where we have had to remove items from lunchboxes etc. as they contain nuts.

Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Attendance This Week

As we know, good attendance at school supports pupils' attainment and well-being.

Robin: 98.85%
Kingfisher: 100%
Kestrel: 90.48%
Owl: 94.7%
Eagle: 87.96%



Diary Dates

25th September—Flu Vaccinations

26th September—Yr 3 & 4 Thorpe Woodlands

24th October—School Disco

28th October—1st November

Half Term

Children Return to School on

4th November

Dinner Menu

Week Commencing 9th September

Monday

Pepperoni Pizza
Margherita Pizza
Potato Waffle Fries
Selection of Salad/Vegetables

Packed Lunch—Baguette
Cheese or Ham
Selection of Salad

Jacket Potato

Treat of the Day

Tuesday

Sausage & Mash
Shepherdess Pie
Beans and Peas

Packed Lunch—Baguette
Cheese or Ham
Selection of Salad

Jacket Potato

Treat of the Day

Wednesday

Wrap with Goujons
Veggie Frankfurter
Salad and Coleslaw

Packed Lunch—Baguette
Cheese or Ham
Selection of Salad

Jacket Potato

Fresh Fruit Platter

Thursday

Roast Beef
Quorn Vegan Fillets
Yorkshire Pudding
Roast Potatoes
Green Veg, Carrots
Gravy

Packed Lunch—Baguette
Cheese or Ham
Selection of Salad

Jacket Potato

Fruit Cheesecake

Friday

Fish
Vegan Sausage Roll
Chips
Beans/Sweetcorn

Packed Lunch—Baguette
Cheese or Ham
Selection of Salad

Jacket Potato

Fresh Fruit Platter