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Dear Parents,

What a day to begin the holiday! Hope you are all home safe and dry, today certainly didn't end the way that we had planned! All of our certificates will be carried over for assembly on the first Monday after half term.



We started the week with the prefects taking a trip to the food bank to deliver our harvest donations. It was great to see the team of volunteers sorting donations and they were able to tell us all about what happens next. They were very appreciative that there were lots of donations from the list of items most needed, so thank you all for your generosity.



Congratulations to Isla-May on her latest county gymnastic competition. She competed against 15 other gymnasts from around the country. She won a gold medal for her floor routine, silver medal for beam, silver for bars and silver all round, earning herself a place at the regional finals in Ipswich in November! An amazing achievement Isla-May! We can't wait to hear how you get on.

Other Messages

School Meals Increase

School meals will be increased to £2.50 from Monday 30th October.

Open Day

If you know anyone with children due to start school in September 2024, please pass on details of our Open Day. Tours available throughout the day. If they can't make the date, other opportunities can be arranged.

After School Clubs

Just a reminder of our clubs after half term which can be booked through the app.

Monday - Multi Skills (run by Community Sports Foundation)

Tuesday - Film Club

Wednesday - Craft Club

Thursday - Football Club (run by Community Sports Foundation)

Friday - Drama Club (run by outside provider Carl Bradley)

Friends of Yaxham School

Bags 2 School

Bags for donations were sent home today and extras are available from the school office.

Collection 9am 13th November 2023

The more we collect the more we raise!



The poster is for the Yaxham Church of England Primary Academy Reception 2024 Open Day, held on Tuesday 31st October 2023. It features the Diocese of Norwich Education and Academies Trust logo in the top right corner. The main text reads: 'Yaxham Church of England Primary Academy Reception 2024 Open Day Tuesday 31st October 2023'. Below this, it says: 'We would like to invite anyone with children due to start school in September 2024 to join us for a tour of our lovely school and to meet our team.' The appointment times are listed as 9.30am, 11.30am, and 1.45pm. A note states: 'If you are not available at the given times, please do get in touch to arrange an alternative appointment.' Contact information is provided: email at office@yaxham.norfolk.sch.uk or telephone: 01362 692033. A website link is also given: <https://yaxham-cofe-primary.eschools.co.uk>. The poster concludes with: 'We look forward to meeting you and welcoming you to our school.' At the bottom, there is a decorative graphic of a heart and leaves, with the text: 'Through loving God and loving others, we flourish, learn & grow.'

Notice of Annual General Meeting -

Wednesday 1st November - 5pm

The Friends of Yaxham School have got their Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 1st November at 5pm. It will be held at the School. We would love to see as many of you there as possible.

If you want to become a committee member but cannot attend the AGM, please let us know prior to the AGM and we will get you appointed. It's best to get appointed at the AGM, even if you cannot attend.

The agenda for the AGM will include a report on the activities of the previous year, a report on the accounts and the appointment of new committee members. It is only likely to last about 30 minutes.

What's it like being a Member of the Friends?

As always, many hands make light work...you really can do as much or as little as you like and it's good fun! It's better to have as much help as we can to share out all the great stuff we do to help to raise money to provide much needed support to enrich the education of our children at school. We do this through fun activities and events. Sometimes we fund-raise for specific items or activities the school wants to do like subsidising a school trip and sometimes it's fund-raising to give the children something extra - for example a Christmas party or a Year 6 leavers gift so they can remember their time at Yaxham.

Like any other committee we do need a chairperson, treasurer and secretary who volunteer at the annual general meeting and are voted in by the other members of the committee. But you don't need to take on a specific role like that, just being a committee member is a huge help. You might have a specific skill like cake baking that we could really use!!

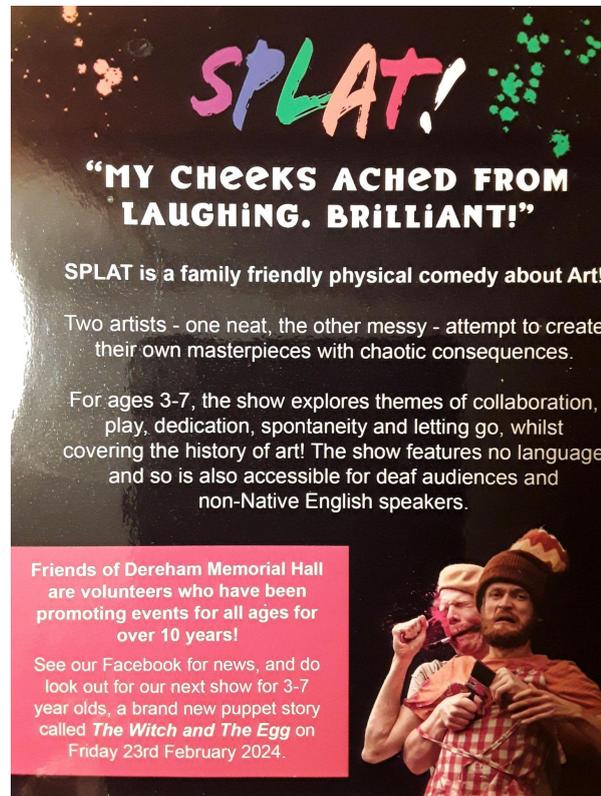
We usually meet about once a month to discuss and plan activities where we think we can raise the funds or sometimes the events are just to give the children something fun to do! So you might be helping out at an event like supervising at the school disco or contacting local businesses to see if they will provide raffle prizes, it's a good feeling getting involved in our school community and lending some support.

It's a real team effort and everyone can bring something to the FOYS. As the saying goes...Your School Needs You...so jump on board and help us create those life-long memories for the children of our school.

Wishing you all a wonderful, and hopefully slightly drier, half term!

Jennie Müller

Headteacher



Dates for your Diary:

2023

Friday 20th October - End of half term

Monday 30th October - Children return to school

Tuesday 31st October - Open Day 2024 Reception intake

Friday 10th November - Remembrance Service 2.45pm Families welcome

Monday 13th November - Bag2School Collection 9am

Thursday 23rd November - Speak Out, Stay Safe Lesson for Year 5 from NSPCC

Monday 27th November - Flu Immunisations in school

Friday 17th November - Children in Need

Friday 1st December - Christmas Decorations Day (Children to attend in clothes suitable for messy activities)

Tuesday 5th December - Nativity Dress Rehearsal 10am
Nativity performance 2pm

Wednesday 7th December Nativity performance 2pm

W/C 18th December - Christmas Jumper Week

Wednesday 20th December - End of Autumn Term

