

Yaxham Church of England Primary Academy

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Dear Parents,

The term is already flying by and we are looking forward to our first parent meetings next week. Appointments can be made through the Parent Pay App. Please bear with us as it is the first time we have used this as our appointment

system. The appointments currently have the Teaching Assistant names but appointments will be with class teachers. We look forward to meeting with you.

Please look out for our Reception class photo in the Dereham Times next Thursday. I am sure that they will sell out very quickly! FIRST
CLASS
2023

Your reception class photos in the Derehams Fakenham

Thursday 19th
October

Special Awards this week:



## **Hedgehog Class**

Eleanor for a brilliant week, listening beautifully and working hard

## **Badger Class**

Nathan for always working hard and being a role model to everyone



Esra for having a cracking week all week with a great attitude to learning



 $\it Jazz for using lots of grammatical features in her story to create atmosphere$ 

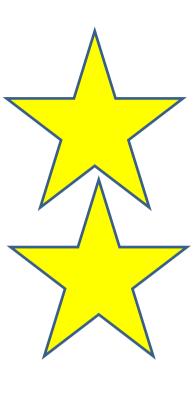
# Book of the week

Kelcie and Ellie-Mai chose great stories that they could recommend to everyone, Jessica and Ruby G were chosen for next week.

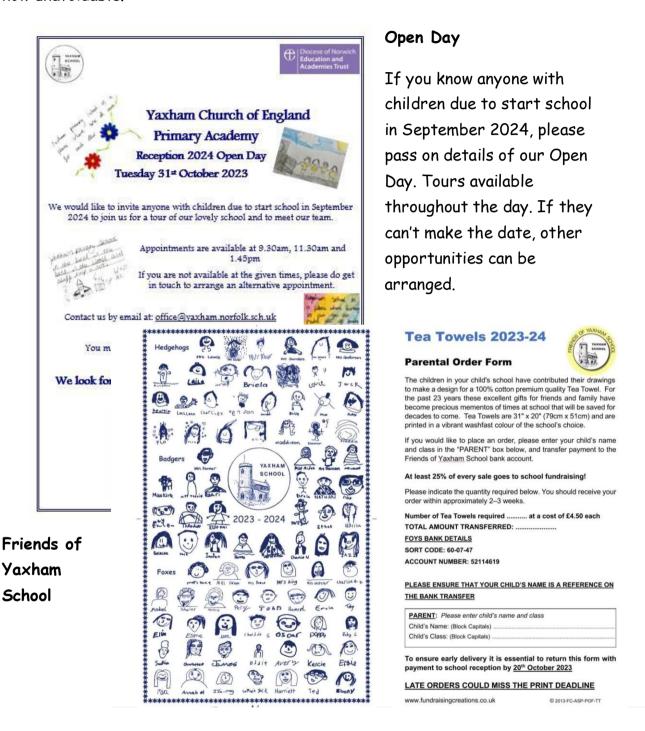
## Other Messages

### School Meals Increase

Unfortunately, I have to inform you that the cost of school meals will be increased to £2.50 from Monday 30th October. We have done all we can to



avoid price increases but with higher food, salary and transport costs this is now unavoidable.



#### Bags 2 School

Please note the date for our next unwanted clothes collection is:

#### 13th November 2023

More information soon, but please start getting ready all your unwanted clothes etc

The more we collect the more we raise!

Organised by the Friends of Yaxham School

### 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.

Finally, as the weather is so changeable now, please ensure your child always has a coat in school. We do try to get some fresh air during the day, whatever the weather.



Best wishes for a lovely weekend,

Jennie Müller

Headteacher

### Dates for your Diary:

2023

w/c 16th October - Parents meetings

Friday 20th October - End of half term

Monday 30thOctober - 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 % 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