







October 2023 Newsletter

As we approach the second half of our first half term the children continue to impress me with their attitudes towards learning and their overall positivity. It was also great to see so many of you at the information evenings we held at the beginning of term. We hope you found them helpful and informative. We enjoy working in partnership with you, to support your child's learning on their journey through school.

Staffing

This week we are saying goodbye to Mrs Daniels, who is leaving us to spend more time with her family. Mrs Daniels has been a part of Patrington Primary for many years, with all three of her children attending and then working as a Midday Supervisor, Playworker and Assistant Teacher. We will miss you very much Mrs Daniels!

Friends of School

FOS are holding their AGM on Friday 6th October at 2pm at school. Everyone is welcome to come along to find out more of what they do!

Nut Free School!

Thank you!

Please remember that we do not permit any product that may contain nuts in

severe allergies and it is important

that we are all aware of this policy

and ensure no one is put in danger.

packed lunches. We have numerous children with





Huge congratulations to Mrs Baker & Mrs Miller in the kitchen. Another amazing 5 star environmental health score on the door!

Harvest Festival



Our Harvest Festival was wonderfully attended. Thankyou for your generous

donations which have been given to the local foodbank, which provides emergency food and support to local people, young and old, in crisis.

Help us to keep your children safe

Please could you remind your children that they should not be riding their bikes or scooters once through the school gates. Also, please do not use the little wall by the school office as a shortcut - it is not designed to be walked on.



Please name school items!

Our annual plea for naming of items is upon us – basically everything that you can: shoes, trainers, water bottles etc.! It is helpful if all items are labelled as many children have the same items so it can not be guaranteed it is unique and identifiable.







We believe good attendance is when children attend at least 97% of the school year. This equates to attending at least 185 of the 190 days when school is open to pupils. **This is only 5 days off for the full academic year.** As a school, we will only authorise term time holidays in **exceptional** circumstances. We monitor attendance regularly, and we will be doing so more rigorously this year. If your child's attendance drops below 90%, under Government guidelines, this means that they are classed as a **'persistent absentee'** and we will write to you to invite you to discuss the reasons for this.

Our attendance policy can be found here: <u>Attendance policy</u>

As parents, there is always a fine balance to consider with the cost of term time holidays and absence from school. In addition, with illness it is hard sometimes to recognise if your child is well enough to attend. Unless your child is symptomatic with an illness (e.g sickness, diarrhoea, temperature etc.) then they should be at school. If they are unwell at school, we will alert you.

Dates for your diary

Thur 26th Oct - Flu vaccinations Mon 30th Oct - Fri 3rd Nov - HALF TERM w/c Mon 6th Nov - Parents' Consultation Evenings Tue 14th-Mon 20th Nov - Book Fair Sunday 26th Nov - Patrington Christmas Lights Switch on Wed 6th Dec - Possible Early Evening Christingle service, to be confirmed Fri 8th Dec -School closed for staff training Xmas Performances -Mon 11th Dec - am- EYFS pm - KS1 Tues 12th Dec - am - KS1 pm - EYFS Wed 13th Dec - am - EYFS pm - KS1 Fri 15th Dec - Xmas Jumper Day / Pupil Xmas Dinner Dav Mon 18th Dec - EYFS Party (inc all Nursery) Tues 19th Dec - Y1/2 party Wed 20th Dec - Y3/4 party Thur 21st Dec - Y5/6 party Fri 22nd Dec - School Closes 3.15pm Mon 8th Jan - School reopens 8.40am

'And Jesus said to him, "If you can, all things are possible to those who believe," (Mark 9:23)

Through our journey of exploration, engagement and enrichment, we aim to be aspirational, building resilience and achieving together in God's love. We are a caring Christian community, striving to be the best that we can be.

TRUST, FRIENDSHIP & PERSEVERANCE

Everyone belongs, everyone cares, everyone tries.

@PatPriAcad

As the year progresses, the school Twitter feed will keep you very much updated with the life of the

school – please follow the school account or follow the link on the school website.

