



Newsletter

12 January 2012

Happy New Year to all Richmond House families.

On Monday, it was lovely to see so many smart, smiley children ready to begin the new term and we have already been able to award some certificates for good work and effort, and for being kind and helpful. A particularly warm welcome goes to:

Alice, Ivan, Luca and Ruby in Nursery
Zac in 1R
Christian in 3M
Sheaka in 4B

Mrs J Godsave

Carriageway Maintenance Scheme—Otley Road Shaw Lane to Welburn Grove

We have received notification from Leeds City Council detailing the following patching and resurfacing works.

The work is planned to commence on Monday 16 January and will be from 9.30am to 3.30pm, for approximately two weeks. Road closures will be necessary on some of the side streets at their junction with Otley Road as the work progresses. Pedestrian access will be available at all times and every effort will be made to maintain access to property throughout the working period, however, there will be occasions when access by vehicle is restricted.

The Highways Department have apologised for any inconvenience caused. As usual, we would ask all parents to park their vehicles considerately, not using the back lane, as our neighbours have complained they are unable to park outside their own homes. Thank you.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tue 17 Jan	Nursery/Reception Assessments for pupils starting in September 2012
Mon 23 Jan	US Swimming Gala at Bronte House
Tue 31 Jan	Year 5 Tudor Day
Tue 7 Feb	Senior School Information Evening for Years 4, 5, 6 parents at 7.00pm
Fri 10 Feb	5.00pm—Lower School Disco 6.30pm—Upper School Disco

CELEBRATIONS!

Congratulations to Louis who achieved a medal for all his achievements at Center Parcs during the holidays.

Congratulations to Daniel W who achieved his Skiing 2 Star award—unfortunately, mum is on crutches! We wish her a speedy recovery.

Congratulations to Frankie S-B who achieved a bronze medal for completing blue runs and doing parallel turns whilst skiing in France over the holidays.

Congratulations to Ciara who was awarded her 50m breaststroke and 50m backstroke Speeding Ticket certificates at Sheffield City Swimming Club.

Congratulations to Sam F who achieved his 10m swimming award in the Rainbow Scheme.

Congratulations to Jonathan M who won a medal for 50m butterfly and the gold for 50m front crawl in the Sheffield B Grade Open Gala.

Congratulations to Sam L who passed his Electric Bass Guitar exam Grade 1 with Merit. Also to Will P who passed his Grade 1 Guitar with Distinction.

Congratulations to our Effort Prize winners for Autumn Term:

Year 3	Ben W	Jasmine
Year 4	Alice	Sophie
Year 5	Declan	Lewis
Year 6	Ria	Olivia

Happy Birthday to Samuel W, Tamsin, Josh R, Emma Le, Sam B, Ellen and Zade. Many Happy Returns to Mrs Walton and Mr Barnett.

NOTICE BOARD

As the new year takes hold, many of us are beginning to throw out our old clothes, items etc. If you have any old pair of shoes, boots, bric-a-brac, buttons, old broken toys etc, please could you pass them on to Mr Oldham to use in art lessons. Thank you.

Mr Oldham



PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

Happy New Year to you all

The next meeting of the Parents' Association is on Tuesday 17 January at 6.30pm in Mr Oldham's room, Room 6. If anyone who has not yet attended a Parents' Association meeting would like to come along to see what it's all about, you would be very welcome.

David Cockerham
Chair



Kids Camp

Please do not forget Kids Camp will be running during the half term holiday, week commencing 20 February.

To book a place, please contact Nick Coulson on 0113 237 6535 or via email on nick.coulson@pefundamentals.co.uk.

We hope to see lots of you there!

Lost Property

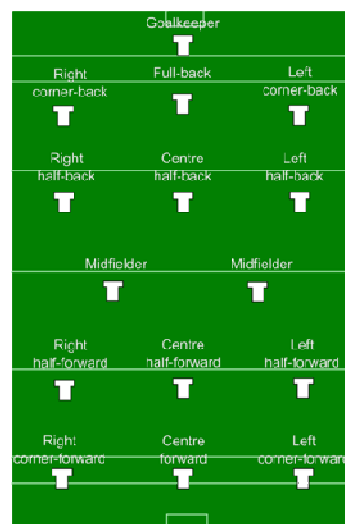
Joel in Year 6 has lost his blazer which is named. Please check your child's blazer and, if found, please return to Joel or to the School Office.

Orla in Year 2 has lost her named coat. If you find it, please return it to Orla in 2B or to the School Office.

Thomas in 3B has lost his blazer. Please check and, if found, please return to him or the School Office.

William C in 4O has lost his coat. If found, please return it to him or, as usual, to the School Office.

Thank you.



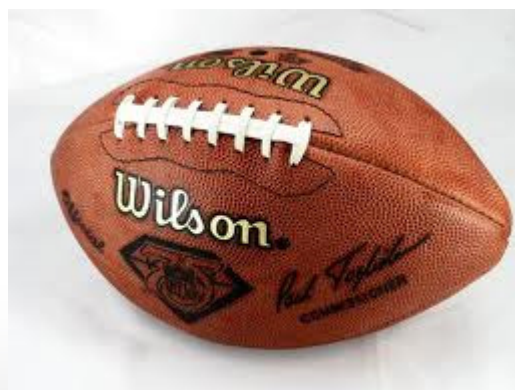
TEAM TALK

Year 5 are doing Gaelic Football in Games at the moment, which is enabling them to explore a new sport from a different country. The boys enjoyed their first session with Dominic from St Benedict's GAA. They found it quite challenging as they needed skills from football, rugby and netball! Mr Lowe also enjoyed trying his hand at it as well.

Can we please remind parents to sign up on the Haven Fun fitness website so we can get some more free equipment. The web address is www.havenfunfitness.co.uk.

Next Wednesday is Inter-house football, starting at 2.30-3.30pm (Y5 & 6 Boys). Parents are welcome to come and watch.

Mr S Lowe
PE/Games Co-ordinator





School Journalists

Jessica L and Oliver R

Happy New Year everyone. We are your new school journalists. We hope you had a good Christmas. It is really good to be back and it is good to see everyone, especially the teachers!! Hope you got lovely presents and the ones you wanted.

It is good that Mrs Disley is back—we want to ask her some questions.

Jessica and Ollie



Year 6 are working very hard because, in the following week, a lot of them are doing their entrance exams to get into a senior school. Good luck to all of them.

Joke

A man walked into the doctor's with a piece of broccoli in one ear, a carrot in the other and cucumber up his nose. He said to the doctor, "I feel poorly, what's wrong with me?"

Answer next week!

Interview with Mrs Disley

Q: "How does it feel to be back at school?"

A: "It feels very strange to be back, but nice to be with everyone."

Q: "What have you missed the most about school?"

A: "I have missed all the children and their excitement about Christmas."

Q: "Have you noticed any changes in school?"

A: "Well, not a lot, though it is nice to see the new children."

Q: "What were you enjoying the most when you were off?"

A: "I didn't enjoy being poorly, but I did like the sleep-ins!"

Thank you, Mrs Disley.

Jack and the Beanstalk

If you don't know, Reception and Year 1 went to see Jack and the Beanstalk on Wednesday. These are some of the comments the children made about it:

Anna A: "I liked the giant—he was scary!"

Ginika: "I liked it when Jack climbed up the beanstalk."

Frankie: "I liked it when the balls came down."

Sebastian: "I was scared of the giant, he was so big. I liked Jack and it was cool how he got up the stalk—like magic."

Dameisha: "I got to hold the golden egg, and I like the chickens."

New Appointments for Spring Term

Head Girl:	Anna JS	
Head Boy:	Jonathan M	
Chevin House Captains:	Sophie S	Upper
	Sam W	Upper
	Aniya G	Lower
Brimham House Captains:	Joel B	Upper
	Charlie D	Upper
	Kai	Lower
Almscliffe House Captains:	Helen	Upper
	Alexander D	Upper
	Hugo	Lower

Trivia

What is Paddington Bear's favourite food?

Answer next week!

