

# Amotherby Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you well. It has been a busy and productive start to the term, and we are delighted to share a number of exciting developments, upcoming events and some important reminders with you.

### **Planned Kitchen Extension**

We are very pleased to share details about the planned kitchen extension at the back of the school. As our school continues to grow, this will provide much-needed additional space and will greatly improve our capacity to meet the needs of our pupils. The project includes a brand-new, fully fitted kitchen designed to support our catering team more effectively. In addition, a much wider serving hatch will be installed, which will significantly improve the flow of dinner service, reducing waiting times and making lunchtimes calmer and more efficient for children. We are very excited about this improvement and the long-term benefits it will bring to our whole school community.

### **World Book Day - Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March**

World Book Day is approaching and we are really looking forward to celebrating our shared love of reading across the school. This year, children will not be dressing up, helping to keep the day inclusive and focused on books themselves. Instead, pupils will take part in exciting author workshops, giving them the opportunity to be inspired by writers and explore the creative process behind stories. We are also encouraging children to bring in a *prop* linked to their favourite book. These will be used in a special assembly where we will have great fun trying to guess the book from the item or prop. We hope this will spark lots of book talk and enthusiasm for reading.

### **PTA Disco – Wednesday 11th February**

Our ever-popular PTA disco will be taking place this half term on Wednesday 11th February. This is always a much-loved event and a highlight for many of our pupils. Tickets will be available to purchase via ParentPay from next Monday. Please see the flyer attached for full details, including timings, ticket prices and arrangements for the evening. Thank you to our PTA for their continued hard work in organising such enjoyable events for the children.

### Friendly School Reminders

We would like to take this opportunity to share a few gentle reminders to help ensure the school day runs smoothly and safely for everyone:

- Long hair should be tied back for school, particularly for practical activities and PE.
- Children should not arrive at school before 8:30am, as staff are not available to supervise pupils before this time.
- Fidget toys should not be brought into school unless they have been specifically advised or agreed by school staff.

We really appreciate your support in reinforcing these expectations with your children.

### Morning Break Snacks

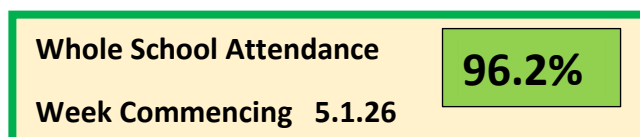
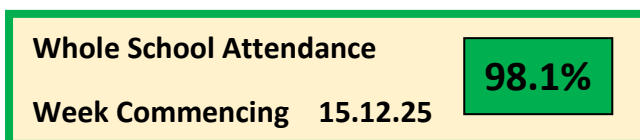
We have noticed an increase in children bringing biscuits, chocolate and other sugary snacks for morning break. Please be reminded that morning break snacks should be fruit only. We understand that some children may choose to take a snack from their packed lunch to eat at break time, which is absolutely fine; however, these snacks should also be fruit-based. We kindly ask parents to have a conversation at home to help support us with this expectation, ensuring children understand the importance of healthy choices and consistency across school.

### Eco Team Project – ‘Switch Off’

Our Eco Team is continuing their fantastic work this term as part of our climate action plan. Their focus this term is the ‘Switch Off’ campaign, which aims to reduce energy use across school by reminding everyone to turn off lights, screens and equipment when they are not in use. The Eco Team have designed and created some brilliant reminder signs, which will be displayed around school near switches and screens to encourage everyone to play their part. A big thank you to our Eco Team for their enthusiasm, creativity and commitment. We encourage parents to follow the link on our website to read more about our climate action plan and find out how you can support this important work at home.

[Amotherby Community Primary School - Eco Team](#)

Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support and partnership. We look forward to another positive, busy and successful half term ahead.



Yours Sincerely,

Mrs L Wade

