



# Armley Park Primary School

25 September 2023

Dear parents and carers,

We have had such a great first few weeks back at school, the children have all settled into their new classes really well and their behaviours and attitudes to learning have been amazing.

It is lovely to see the children using the playground equipment before and after school but please remember that it is your responsibility to look after them when they are on it, staff will not always be available to supervise. We sent an email out last week inviting you to give permission for your child to be photographed by the company who installed the equipment as part of their advertising campaigns in the future. Thank you to all those who have already completed the form but if you haven't yet and you would like to give permission, the link is <https://forms.gle/U7pdPLX5DxmJEgY1A> The photographs are being taken this Wednesday.

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended the Meet the Teacher events over the last two weeks. If you could not make it and would like to know about what the children will be doing throughout the year, the teachers will upload some information to the class pages so you can have a read through when you get chance.

<https://www.armley-pri.leeds.sch.uk/class-pages-2023-2024/>

We have been really impressed with how well everyone is keeping to our uniform expectations, thank you for your support with this. If you do still need uniform, we have some second-hand clothes in school that you can have. Please let the office staff know and we will be happy to help out.

All the children now know which House Team they are in and are working hard to earn House Points which go towards weekly totals. The House with the most amount of points at the end of the term will receive a reward. The Houses have been named after famous Leeds sports people who have all contributed back to the city:

- **Adams** (Nicola Adams, Olympic boxing champion)
- **Burrows** (Rob Burrows, Leeds Rhinos player)
- **Brownlee** (Alastair and Johnny Brownlee, triathlon champions)
- **Tomlinson** (Jane Tomlinson, athlete)

We will also be arranging competitions between different houses, starting with Y5 and Y6 House Sports Matches at lunchtimes next week.

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Although we are only three weeks into the new term, lots of children have had some days off school and this means they will have missed out on important learning. Please try to make sure your child attends school every day whenever possible. Thank you to all the children who have attended each day and have arrived on time – they won't have missed out on any learning so far this year so will have the best chance to achieve their best.

If you pay for school meals, milk or before/after school clubs, please make sure you check your School Money account regularly to pay what you owe. We are unable to allow families to accumulate debt over several weeks when there has been no attempt to pay or you have not spoken to the office staff to explain when you will be paying. If this happens, we will need to remove the offer of school meals, milk and before/after school clubs.

Term dates:

Our next holiday is in October, we finish at 3.15pm on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October and return at 8.40am on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November. If you need to know the dates for other terms, they are on our website - <https://www.armley-pri.leeds.sch.uk/term-dates/>  
The school has a responsibility to report all term-time holidays, including when visiting family members overseas for extended periods of time, to the local authority who may issue you with a penalty fine. Please book any holidays during the time we are off school so children do not miss out on their learning.

Blue Peter Badge Competition:

We have seen this fantastic opportunity for children (aged 5-15) to apply for a Blue Peter Book Badge which would then give them free entry into lots of attractions across the country. To receive your free Blue Peter badge, children need to write or draw about their favourite book and submit it online or via post. More details can be found here:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/findoutmore/blue-peter-apply-for-a-book-badge>

Many thanks,



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