



Friday 10th November

Weekly Communication

Dear Parents

Open morning

As you will all know, it is our annual Open Morning **tomorrow at 10am until 12pm**. This is an opportunity for all new potential parents and children to visit our wonderful school. Please do remind anyone you know that this is taking place. It is always a great opportunity for our Junior Leaders to give tours around our school and it makes us feel incredibly proud of the learning environment that we are constantly creating.

Thank you to Mr. Keith Orrell

Yesterday we had a very special assembly to mark the 25 years of Governor service that Keith Orrell has given to Jerry Clay. Many of you will know Keith for his passion and drive for not only helping to make our school great but also our community of Wrenthorpe.



The assembly saw some of our children presenting poetry – that Keith is passionate about, Mr Orrell talking to us about the history of Wrenthorpe and creating a whole school poem.

As a very big thank you for the dedication and care he has shown, we presented him with a book produced by the children about Wrenthorpe, a poetry book by our children, a basket with heart messages from every child and a sign made in his honour. The sign is a symbol of the dedication he has put into making our Outdoor Classroom – ‘The Keith Orrell Outdoor Classroom’. His passion for the outdoors has inspired us and his belief that children should be taught about our environment and most importantly how to look after it.

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Playing on equipment before school starts

Please can we ask that children do not play on our equipment before school begins? We do not have any adults supervising these areas and we certainly don't want any accidents. Staff may have set up equipment for the day ahead and we do not want these opportunities to be ruined for the rest of the day. Please can we ask you all to encourage your children to wait with you before the doors are opened at 8.50am.

Thank you to Becky France

A very big thank you must go to Becky France, who this week stepped down as the Chair of the PTA. With a heavy heart, she recognises that her work and family commitments do not allow her to continue. However, we would just like to send our thanks on behalf of the school and whole parent community for the dedication and energy she has put into the role. The PTA raised the most money ever last year and this was due to her leadership of our fabulous PTA team. She will be missed but will remain as a committee member.

We now say a warm welcome to Kate Hullah who will take over as Chair of the PTA. The same dedicated team will remain in place, with a few new and eager parents this year to take on the new challenge. Without this amazing team, we really could not have achieved the extra experiences that we have provided for our children.

The money raised by the PTA last year has enabled us to buy a very special outdoor classroom that will enable us to do lots more lessons within our outdoor space. Watch this space for the developments of this as we go forward.

Parents evening

You will have all now received a letter inviting you to our parents' evenings on **Tuesday 21st & Thursday 23rd November**. Please can all of these be returned **by Wednesday** at the latest. It will be fabulous for you to get the opportunity to discuss how your child has settled into their year group and the progress they are making.

Have a great weekend,

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