

# Welburn Hall Weekly

Friday 18 October 2024

Hello and welcome to our weekly Newsletter.....

#### School dinner arrears

We are £159.00 in arrears for school meals. Can parents please clear any dept. School lunches should be paid in advance. Automatic top-up, for as little as £5, can be set up on Parent Pay.

Thank you for your understanding

## Autumn Term Food Tech Contributions

Payments can now be made towards Autumn Term Food Tech.

So, if you are able to contribute, please do so via **ParentPay**. Thank you



Parent Pay activation letters have now been sent home in book bags.

If you haven't already done so, can we please request that you log in and activate your account. Even if your child has free school meals we still need parents to have their own Parent Pay account.

Your help is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

| Lunch<br>Week 2 | Main                                       | Vegetarian                                      | Pudding                 |
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| Monday          | meatballs in tomato sauce & pasta          | vegetarian shepherd's pie                       | Australian crunch       |
| Tuesday         | cheese whirls, potato wedges & baked beans | homemade veg sausage roll, wedges & baked beans | sponge & custard        |
| Wednesday       | beef stew & dumpling, with mashed potatoes | tomato & cheese pasta                           | fruit jelly & ice cream |
| Thursday        | chicken casserole, boiled potatoes         | ratatouille rice pot                            | jammy shortbread        |
| Friday          | fish fingers & chips                       | loaded fries                                    | chocolate cake          |







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# Heads-up!

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

Our Healthy Schools Award account is now active and we are starting with achieving Bronze this year, focusing on food, nutrition and healthy eating. You can find details of the award here: <a href="https://healthyschoolsnorthyorks.org/">https://healthyschoolsnorthyorks.org/</a>

In order to support the children and young people to be able to make positive food choices in adulthood, we would appreciate your support with making lunch boxes as healthy as possible.

I will be leading on this with the Special School Nursing Team and we are interested in creating opportunities for meeting parents/carers and supporting you with this. We are very aware how it can be difficult to manage a busy household, the finances and providing healthy food that will be eaten!

If you would like to be involved please email us <a href="mailto:admin@welburn-hall.n-yorks.sch.uk">admin@welburn-hall.n-yorks.sch.uk</a>, marking it HEALTHY SCHOOLS. Thank you!

Marianne

### Our little boy is growing up!!

For those who may remember, towards the end of June last year, we introduced you to Jasper, a Labrador/Golden retriever cross puppy, who is being trained as a guide dog for someone living with sight loss. Christina's class helped raise the funds to sponsor Jasper and as sponsors are receiving '*Pupdates*'.

We've been told that Jasper's the happiest pup they've raised, that he loves a squeaky toy; particularly his pink dragon soft toy!

He's busy learning the basics and has picked up the command to 'sit' and 'down' and is working on 'wait'. He loves traveling in the car and can jump in all by himself.

Over the next few months he'll continue with puppy classes and being taken to many new environments – but Guide Dogs are very happy with his progress.

Well done Jasper!

























On Tuesday morning some of our College students had their first workshop trial at York College.

They all worked fantastically well and learnt to saw a piece of wood in a straight line.

Staff were extremely proud of them and we are looking forward to seeing how they progress and what they achieve.











# Our RDA Volunteer Lead Elspeth Crookenden Featured in Horse & Hound

Whilst we at Welburn Hall School were off on our summer holidays, Elspeth Crookenden, our Lead Volunteer from Riding for the Disabled Association (RDA) was busy talking to the UK's only weekly equestrian magazine, Horse and Hound.

The article is a wonderful piece where Elspeth talks about riding as a child and her involvement with RDA as a relief volunteer from the 1970's onwards. We find out that Elspeth has been giving her time, as a volunteer to the children of Welburn Hall School, for nearly 30 years!!

Elspeth comments: "Our group has qualified several times for the RDA National Championships at Hartpury in Gloucestershire. One year we won with two of our children, which was pretty good for a tiny group from Yorkshire. The discipline we qualified in is called the Countryside Challenge, which involved completing a glorified obstacle course.

"Last year we were asked to perform a demonstration of the Countryside Challenge at the Great Yorkshire. We turned up at the third-largest ring to discover that we were the only RDA group in Yorkshire to field a team. We went ahead and performed with two ponies and riders and two leaders for three solid hours.

"We were all on our knees by the end of it. One of our riders had only just learned to rise to the trot, but after three hours in that ring she could do it brilliantly."

Elspeth goes on to say: "If I met someone considering getting involved with the RDA I'd say, "Go for it!" The children benefit hugely but the volunteers do too."

We owe a huge debt of gratitude to Elspeth and our other RDA volunteers who work tirelessly to help our students ride. Due to the ongoing building works, our RDA sessions are currently suspended, but we really hope to see them all again soon.

Thank you for all that you do.









#### Wellbeing & Safeguarding



North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership (NYSCP) aims to ensure all children in North Yorkshire are safe, happy, healthy and achieving.

If you are worried about a child – this is the duty number: 0300 131 2 13<sup>-7</sup> Or see their website here:



https://www.safeguardingchildren.co.uk/about-us/worried-about-a-child/

#### **Reporting Student Absence**

Can we please ask that parents/carers report their child's/young person's absence to school before registration closes at 9.20am. We generally need to be updated on a daily basis, unless for example the absence is due to a sickness bug and your child is observing the 48-hour rule.

Parents can email their class team or reception on the <a href="Mathematical-Admin@welburn-hall.n-yorks.sch.uk">Admin@welburn-hall.n-yorks.sch.uk</a> or call reception on the main school number. 01751 431 218.

We also have to record that we have seen evidence of dental/medical appointments, so please either send hard copies of appointments into class or email teaching staff/administration.

Thank you for your understanding.

#### **NHS Dental Treatment in Scarborough**

We have been informed that Solis Dental Studio in Scarborough has been awarded a dental contract to increase its ability to provide NHS dental care to children in **Scarborough**.

The dental practice is currently promoting amongst families living in the area who don't currently have access to dental care and treatment.

If parents/carers would like to book an appointment for their child please contact Solis Dental Studio on 01723 347 011 or by booking online.

Dentist In Scarborough | Teeth Whitening | Emergency Dentist (solisdentalstudio.co.uk)

The NHS dental care is only available for children (under 18s).





