



Newsletter 2

Monday 22nd September 2025

Welcome to the second of our newsletters for this academic year. We will publish a newsletter every other week on Monday afternoons (the next newsletter will be published on 6th October).



What is the Governing Body?

The Governing Body at Wigginton Primary School is made up of 12 governors.

We have three core responsibilities, all of which contribute to ensuring high standards of achievement for all children. These are:

- Setting the school's vision, ethos and strategic direction
- Holding the head teacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.

To enable us to fulfil our role effectively, we have regular Full Governing Body meetings throughout the school year. In addition, we have two main sub committees – Finance and Resources and Teaching and Learning. Both committees have clear terms of reference and meet at least three times a year. Governors also regularly visit school which provides us with an opportunity to talk to pupils and staff and to see what happens in school on a day to day basis.

One of the most important documents in any school is the School Improvement Plan: this outlines the school's priorities of the forthcoming year(s). As a governing body, we monitor and evaluate this and contribute to its formulation each year.

All governors undertake regular training too – from induction training for new governors, to Safeguarding and Prevent training and more individual training depending on a governor’s needs, experience and skills. We also endeavour to keep up to date with the ever evolving local and national education landscape and with the latest changes in education policy!

To find out more about the governing body and the governors, please visit the Governors section of the school website -

<https://www.wiggintonprimary.co.uk/governors/>

Our Behaviour Policy

At Wigginton we are very proud of our children and how they behave. To reinforce this we have a Behaviour Policy which both lays out expectations but also how we help the children achieve the brilliant behaviour we see.

Firstly, we work closely with parents so we can work to the same principles. Rather than one size fits all, it helps children develop self-discipline by learning to acknowledge and regulate their emotions and to accept responsibility for their behaviour.

At the start of the year, each teacher works with pupils to develop class rules based on the whole-school expectations, which are displayed in the classroom and can be referred to throughout the year.

Key to the policy is rewarding positive behaviour (including stickers!) and having appropriate consequences for any inappropriate actions.

There is also specific support for children with social, emotional and mental health needs – understanding they may have an unmet need rather than choosing to misbehave.

Parents are asked to sign a behaviour charter in Reception and children in Year 3, reminding them of expectations.

The whole policy can be found here: [Wigginton Primary Behaviour Policy](#). In the near future, we will be asking parents/carers about your views regarding behaviour at school and any support that would be useful for parents too.

Healthy Snacks for Playtime

A reminder to everyone that snacks for playtime should only be fruit or vegetables. For Early Years and Key Stage 1, snacks are provided but if Key Stage 2 children are bringing snacks, these should be fruit or vegetables. Thank you.



Attention Tools

We have various attention tools available in the classroom to support pupils whilst learning. Please could we ask that children do not bring in their own as this can lead to problems and we have chosen carefully ones that support individuals without distracting others! Thank you!

Staffing News

We are sad to announce that Katie Swan, who is part of our teaching assistant team, will be leaving us in October after successfully applying for a post at The Wonder Years. She will certainly be missed here at Wigginton Primary School.

Team Points for Summer 2

Yorvik	Ouse
103	91
Rowntree	Minster
100	70

Congratulations to Yorvik, who collected the most team points in the final half term of last academic year. As a reward, anyone in Yorvik will have a non-uniform day on Thursday, 2nd October!

****NUT FREE SCHOOL****

Please can we ensure that any food brought into school does not contain ANY nut products. This includes hazelnut spreads and obviously peanut butter. We have a number of children in school who have a severe nut allergy. Thank you.

All school dinners provided are guaranteed nut free by Hutchison, our school catering provider.

Class Newsletters

Class Newsletters for Autumn 1 half term have been emailed to parent/ carers and are available on the Class Pages on the school website:

<http://www.wiggintonprimary.co.uk/topic/class-pages>

These newsletters will let you know what your child will be doing in different subjects during the half term and any other useful information. Please take the time to read this so you can support your child in their learning.

Sports Kit Swap

The Changing Room Sports Kit Swap initiative from York City Football Club is now live at school! If you have any outgrown sports clothing you can drop it into the blue bin in reception. It will be washed and redistributed to local young children



Reminder!

This Friday is staff training day and therefore, the school will be closed to pupils.

Elevate Dance will be providing an extra PE session for ALL pupils on Monday 29th September. All pupils will need to come to school in PE kit on that day.

Secondary School Open Days & Applications

If your child is in year 6 currently you need to apply for their secondary school place by 31st October. A letter from CYC detailing the open evenings for secondary school is on the year 5/6 class page on our website.

The Pupil Premium

Did you know that there are **many more benefits** to the Pupil Premium other than free school meals?

- ✓ Additional school funding to support learning
- ✓ Support with the cost of educational visits and residentials
- ✓ Support with uniform costs
- ✓ Free school milk
- ✓ Free school meals beyond year 2

If parent/carers of children receive one of the qualifying benefits listed below, school may benefit from additional funding called the **Pupil Premium**. This enables the school to provide further support in school and beyond.

Qualifying benefits include:

- Income support
- Income based Jobseekers' Allowance
- Income related Employment & Support Allowance

You may also be entitled if you receive Universal Credit or Child Tax Credits.

All applications must be made via the City of York Council website. If you think you may be eligible, you will need to visit www.york.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals. If you are unable to access the internet contact the school office for assistance.

ParentPay Fraudulent App

We have been informed that there is an app mimicking ParentPay which has been highlighted as fraud. There is no app for ParentPay, only a website that can be added to your home screen. This fraudulent app should no longer be available on any of the app stores. If you see one available to download please send a screenshot to report@phishing.gov.uk

Healthy Child Screening

If you have a child in Year 6 or Reception you will have received an email regarding the Healthy Child Service. If you would like to opt out of the Child Health Screening there is an email address in the letter for you to let them know.



WE NEED YOU!

As children progress and leave the school so do PTA members! We are an ageing PTA and in the next two school years ALL current core committee members will have left.

To ensure the PTA can continue we need new members and people willing to fill positions on the committee aswell as those who can volunteer adhoc at events.

Without PTA fundraising there will be no subsidised school trips and no contributions for things like sports equipment, library books etc

Whilst the PTA exists as a charity to fundraise for the school - without the PTA there may be no discos, film nights, leavers hoodies and sadly no Summer Fair.

The PTA is valuable to the school and pupils. We do not want to see it fold - we want to secure its future for new pupils and families!



At our Annual General meeting the PTA are seeking to fill the position of SECRETARY and TREASURER.

These can be a shared roles.

Date of AGM to be confirmed in the next school newsletter.

If you are interested in volunteering or would like more information about any of the roles within the PTA - please get in touch with Jessie our current PTA chair on email pta.wiggintonprimary@gmail.com or message the PTA Facebook page.



Coming up.....

Day	Date	Time	Event	Details on Website?
Mon-Wed	22nd to 24th Sept		Y6 Kingswood Residential	https://.../kingswood-y6-residential-september-2024/
Tues	23rd Sept	1.30PM	Open Day	Newsletter 1
Fri	26th Sept		School closed to pupils for Staff Training Day	
Mon	29th Sept		Elevate Dance Extra PE Session for ALL Pupils	Newsletter 1
Thurs	2nd October		Non-Uniform Day for Yorvik	Newsletter 2
Fri	3rd Oct	9am - 3.30pm	KS1 trip to The Deep	KS1 The Deep
Mon-Thurs	20th - 23rd October		Bikeability for Year 6	Letter sent 22nd September
Fri	24th Oct		School closes at normal time for October half-term holiday	
Mon	3rd Nov		Pupils return to school after half-term holiday	
Mon	3rd Nov	9.15am - 3.15pm	Year 5/6 Trip to York Minster	Letter to follow later this week
Tues - Mon	4th-10th Nov		Book Fair	



FREE INTRODUCTION JUNIOR COACHING

WOULD YOU LIKE TO TRY SQUASH?

A fantastic, energetic, fun, indoor sport played locally. For boys and girls aged 8+



Equipment provided



9am - 10am



Games and coaching



enquiries@wiggintonsquash.co.uk



Wigginton Squash Club



**WIGGINTON PRIMARY SCHOOL
OPEN DAY
TUESDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER 2025
13:30- 14:30**



**For parents/carers of children starting in September 2026 (children welcome too).
Accepting applications from both inside and outside of our catchment area.**

Come and tour our fantastic school, whilst getting to meet our wonderful staff and enthusiastic pupils.

Hear all about our incredible, award-winning lunchtime play provision.

Please email us at wiggintonprimary.school@york.gov.uk or ring 01904 552225 for more information and to register your interest.

If you are unable to attend the open day, please get in touch to arrange a convenient time where we will be very happy to show you around.

**EVERY DAY IS AN ADVENTURE AT WIGGINTON.
- OFSTED 2023**

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THE GRAND
YORK

WIN a free school trip

WIZARDING AFTERNOON TEA AT OUR FIVE-
STAR HOTEL FOR YOUR WHOLE CLASS

The Grand Wizard
art competition

YOUR MISSION...TO DRAW THE GRAND WIZARD!

Every participant will receive 50% off our WIZARDING Children's
Afternoon Tea, so everyone can join in the fun.

◆ SUBMIT ENTRIES TO: MARKETING@THEGRANDYORK.CO.UK ◆
ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER

*T&cs: 50% discount on Children's Afternoon Tea only. Discount applicable to
maximum of two children per booking. Children must be accompanied by at least
one adult. Subject to availability.*



NEW Kid's Dance Party Class

Confidence & team-building

Haxby & Wigginton Methodist Church

Dancing & games = fun!

Ages 5-11 - Tues - 6:15pm - £6



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Reviews



EDE

Elevate Dance & Events

Mini-performance
for families
every term!

Contact us & secure a limited space - 07455 991664
Email - rhian@elevatedanceandevents.co.uk

Fun Adult Dance Classes

Boost your mood, burn calories,
clear your mind & socialise - all for £7!

Tuesday - Haxby & Wigginton

Methodist Church:

1:30pm - Zumba Gold

7pm - Beginner's Dance Exercise

Thursday - Huntington Working Men's Club:

7pm - Beginner's Dance Exercise

Low Impact



Great Music

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