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We have welcomed the odd crisp winter sunshine, certain trees in blossom and snowdrops peeping out in the garden. However, the weather forecast advises us to be braced for a chillier feel this coming week, with potential rain and sleet. Therefore, please can all children be well wrapped up with a warm coat, hat, scarf and gloves to protect them on the cold starts and from nipping winds. The children thoroughly enjoy their well earned playtimes and lunchtimes but it is no fun if exposed to the elements. If all items could be sent in clearly labelled we can ensure that they are returned to their rightfully owner if mislaid. Many thanks.

Reminder

Please can we take this opportunity to remind you that we have a 48hrs exclusion period for instances of vomiting and diarrhoea. This means that children should not be sent back to school until 48hrs after the last instance of vomiting or diarrhoea has taken place. We do appreciate that keeping children off school can be inconvenient when they have recovered quickly, however, bugs like this spread remarkably fast in a school environment and, although we always ensure children wash their hands at various times of the day, the best way to minimise spread is to stay away for the recommended period. Many thanks for your continued attention with this matter.

Educational visit

School was very quiet today with Classes 4, 5 & 6 out on an educational visit to the Jorvik Centre. Key Stage 2 children are learning about the Vikings this term and this visit promises to be both educational and fun...just the way we like them! The children are due to visit the museum and take a trip to the nearby dig and learn about recent Viking discoveries. Thank you to parents for supporting this trip financially – we are unable to contribute to experiences of this kind from the school budget and are therefore completely reliant on parent donations towards the trip in order for it to go ahead.

Fire Drill

Our termly fire was completed on Thursday and we are pleased to report that the building was evacuated quickly and calmly. This routine is crucial and we particularly congratulate our youngest children in class 1. Hearing a loud siren can be an alarming experience for little ones, however all our pupils took this completely in their strides, listened to their teacher and remained calm and quiet throughout.

Football

Mrs Lawrie took a group of keen footballers to Pocklington football club on Wednesday night. Gabriel, Ruben, Danny, Nicky, Edward, Joe M, Freddie & Blake put up a great show against varied opposition coming out with some great results – 5 wins and 2 draws! Thanks to Mrs Lawrie and all parents for helping and supporting the team. Special thanks to Mr Greenaway for volunteering to help with extra transport requirements.



Quiz Night

A reminder about the Charity Quiz Night which will be held on Friday 1st February in Melbourne Village Hall at 7pm in aid of 7th Pocklington Guides (some of whom are former pupils of Melbourne Primary School). Tickets are £10 each and includes a 2 course supper. There will be a raffle and other prizes throughout the night and teams should not exceed 6 people in a team. Bring your own drinks and glasses for what has previously been a fun night! Numbers are limited so please order tickets in advance and let us know about any dietary requirements. Tickets are available from Suzanne Macey (318413) and Richard Chapman (318856).

Email

Please remember you can get the weekly news from Class 1 and the main news by email should you prefer – just let the office know your details.

Kingswood

Please can we remind you that all £40 deposits for the Kingswood trip in September should have been paid by today. If you have not yet paid please be aware that your child's place may not be held. If outstanding payments can be made as soon as possible we would be grateful. Many thanks.

School Dinners

All our dishes are homemade. Fresh fruit and yoghurt are available every day. Vegetarians and all children with special dietary requirements will be catered for. If your child is having the sandwich options during the week please let us know at the office and we will be able to supply you with the information you require. School dinners are priced at £2.40.

School dinner menu - week commencing 21st January

Mon	Italian Style Chicken served with Potato Wedges, Peas & Baked Beans Vegetarian Vegetable Curry Syrup Sponge
Tues	Sausage served with Yorkshire Pudding, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, & Sweetcorn Vegetarian Sausage Chocolate Mousse
Weds	Roast Turkey served with Sage & Onion Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots & Peas Vegetarian Quorn Roast Oaty Biscuit
Thurs	Bolognaise Pasta Bake served with Crusty Bread & Mixes Vegetables Vegetarian Pasta Napolitan Eves Pudding
Fri	Fish Fingers served with Steak Fries, Garden Peas, and Sweetcorn Vegetarian Jacket Potato Chocolate Crunch



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