

Parking is causing us big problems again. Some of our Y6 children, who walk to school, felt very unsafe crossing the road as there were cars parked nose to tail along both sides of Main Street and they could not see when it was safe to cross. We have also had problems with double parking blocking the road so that the bus cannot get through; this created quite an angry queue.



We are also seeing several parents and grandparents parking on both the yellow and white KEEP CLEAR signs and zigzags on Green Lane. **You cannot park or stop to drop off here.**



Yellow zig-zag lines outside schools indicate the length of road where stopping or waiting is **strictly prohibited**.

The Highway Code states that you should keep these areas clear of stationary vehicles, even if picking up or dropping off children. You risk a **fine and penalty points** by parking on yellow or white zig-zag lines. **You are also causing an obstruction and putting children's lives at risk.** Please park safely.

Books to support children's mental health. A recent study of 10,000 families in the UK suggested primary school children were much more troubled by lockdown than secondary school pupils. If you are concerned about the mental health of a child in your care, we recommend exploring Reading Well for Children; a list of books recommended to help children understand their feelings and worries and cope with tough times. The books have been chosen by children, carers, health experts and librarians and are targeted at children in Key Stage 2, but there are also titles aimed at a wide range of reading levels to support less confident readers, and to encourage children to read together with their siblings and carers. You can borrow these books free from every East Riding Library, and it's free to join the library online. See the attached information for more details about the books.



Can you help?

One of our grandparents has lost a gold signet ring of a plain design, without any stones but it is of great sentimental value. If you find it, please hand it in to the office and we will reunite it with its owner on your behalf. Thank you.



Y3 & Y4 are collecting take away style cardboard coffee cups with lids for a DT project linked with their work on Ancient Egypt. If you have any, please send them into school with your child. Any size will be fine. We look forward to sharing the results with you on our Twitter page.

We have a very nasty cough and cold bug doing the rounds in school this week. A cough and a high temperature are still the main symptoms of covid which is, unfortunately, on the increase again. If a child shows symptoms in school, we have to ask parents to collect them and arrange a PCR test so, if your child is under the weather, please consider carefully before sending them in and hopefully we can avoid the spread of any infection as well as any unnecessary covid tests.



Christmas Events



Christmas cards: The children have all brought the proofs of their individually designed Christmas cards home in their book bags tonight. There is a link to a website where you can view examples of other merchandise but orders **can only be made via the enclosed order form** which must be returned to school by **Wednesday 1st December** to avoid disappointment and make sure your items arrive before the end of term. Please send cash payments in the envelope with your order.

Santa will be in his Grotto on Thursday 9th December from 4 – 6pm and is looking forward to meeting lots of our children. As well as Santa, there will be teas & coffees, a sweet stall, a raffle, a Christmas trail designed by Y6 and the children's Christmas makes. Anyone who is not able to visit on the evening will have the opportunity to buy their child's Christmas make from Friday 10th Dec.



If you would like to book a visit to Santa, you will need to text the oldest child's name, class and how many children will be in the visit to **07999 361 688**. Bookings will be made on a first come – first served basis. Once you have sent your details, you will receive a provisional booking which **can be confirmed by sending payment** to the PFA via the office, tickets are £3.00 per child and include a small gift from Santa and a photo of the visit. Any bookings not confirmed will be offered to the next person on the waiting list.

Please note that confirmation texts will be sent out once the majority of time slots are allocated, which will take a few days, the response will not be immediate.



Christmas Nativity plays are in rehearsals at the moment. We are hoping that we will be able to go ahead with our plans to invite parents into school to watch the performances, although these are subject to local authority covid guidelines and may have to change at short notice. Parents are invited as follows:

Y1 Parents - Tuesday 7th December (pm)

YR Parents - Wednesday 8th December (am) (exact times and tickets to follow)

Y2 Parents – Wednesday 8th December (am)

Y3 Church Service will be taking place at St Paul's Church on Tuesday 14th December at 2pm. Y3 parents are very welcome to join us. We are looking forward to seeing you there.

Christmas lunch is happening on Wednesday 8th December. This is a very popular lunch so please text or email the office to let us know if your child would like to stay on that day. This is so we can be sure we have enough pigs in blankets for everyone.



Christmas Parties will take place in the last week of term. We will be sending home a white paper bag for your child to decorate and **write their name on**, then use it to bring in a snack for the party. They will have had their lunch not long before so they won't need much e.g. a sandwich, crisps and/or a bun and a carton of drink would be perfect. We have sweets that we give out during the party so the children don't need any extra ones. The bags will be stored in Mrs Ridsdale's fridge until the party. This way you can make sure your child's specific needs are met, but please remember to avoid foods containing nuts, including chocolate spreads, as well as avoiding glass bottles and cans of fizzy drinks. Thank you.

YR – Monday 13th December

Y1 & Y2 – Tuesday 14th December

Y3 & Y4 – Wednesday 15th December

Y5 & Y6 – Thursday 16th December

School Achievements:

Children mentioned in Good Work assembly:

(This can be for a good piece of work in any subject, good effort or for showing resilience etc.)

YR: Thea, Y1: Rosie N, Y2: Bella, Y3: Molly, Y4: Edward J, Y5: Corin, Y6: Flora

Children mentioned for demonstrating any one of our values:

YR: Nathan, Y1: Haydn, Y2: Izak, Y3: Daisy, Y4: Sebby, Y5: Millie O, Y6: Daisy

Gold Standard: We're back on form!

☆ YR – 100% ☆

☆ Y1 – 100% ☆

☆ Y2 – 100% ☆

☆ Y3 – 100% ☆

☆ Y4 – 100% ☆

☆ Y5 – 100% ☆

☆ Y6 – 100% ☆



Community Messages



Tickton Festival of Christmas: Monday 20th December from 6pm – 10pm. Carols around the Christmas tree, a visit from Santa, mulled wine and mince pies and many more activities. Tickets available from Tickton Village Hall (Mon – Fri 7:30 – 5.30) and 49A Main Street, Tickton at weekends.

All welcome. Adults £3, Children £2.50

Governor Contacts:

Chair: Helen Brierley: governor.chair@tickton.eriding.net

Feedback: We do appreciate your feedback as it helps us to improve our school further as well as celebrate the things that have gone well, so if you are happy - or not - about something, please let us know.

Parental Feedback:

Date:

Feedback/ Issue:

Name:

Would you like an appointment with Miss Brown to discuss this further?

You can also share your thoughts and opinions, both positive and negative, of our school through the Ofsted site Parent View either by using this address/link, <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk>, or typing 'Parent View' into Google.