

# Soaring High Newsletter

February 2024

Our School Values are



*Love, Honesty, Forgiveness, Respect, Hope*

## Road Safety



You may have noticed over the last few weeks some cones appearing opposite the school gates. These are to provide a safer crossing place for children as parents and staff have expressed concerns over children crossing between parked cars. We have also added some signs to help keep one side of the road clear of cars. To keep this as safe as possible, please do not park in front of the cones or signs.

## Ravens out and about

Look out for information on next terms topics and trips. A breakdown of what your children will be learning from Nursery to Year 6 will be on both Class Dojo and the school website. Also look out for information on upcoming school trips for some of our classes to Skipton Castle, Gauntlet and Cronkshaw Fold Farm.



## Parents' evenings

You can now book a slot to speak to your child's class teacher during the Spring Parents' Evenings. Appointments can be booked online and the dates are Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February and Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March. Appointments start at 3.30pm. This is a great opportunity to talk about your child's progress. All appointments will be held in the main hall – please use the far entrance.

If you have any difficulties accessing the site or booking, please speak to the team in the main office who will be only too happy to help. Our amazing kitchen team will be putting on a range of hot and cold food so that you can sample to meals that your children have each day at school.

## Bikeability

Year 5 are about to take to the street once they have learnt to ride their bikes with confidence in school as Bikeability returns to Ravensfield. This is a cycle training programme all about gaining practical skills and understanding how to cycle safely on today's roads.

## Friday Assemblies

Soaring High Assembly takes place each week on Friday at 2.30pm. We look forward to seeing you and celebrating the great work the children are doing. The final Friday will not be the usual Soaring High, but instead a singing assembly. Please do join us.

## Mobile Phones

Phones must be turned off when children **enter** the school grounds and handed to their class teacher who will secure them safely; returning these to children at the end of the day. Any pupil found to be in breach of this or to have used their phones in an inappropriate manner will be disciplined following the school behaviour policy and parents informed.

## Contacting staff



ClassDojo is our main communication tool, however if

you want to contact the headteacher and need an urgent response please contact the school office.

## Ordering school dinners

Please order school dinners via the Eduspot and SchoolMoney website.

## Staying safe online

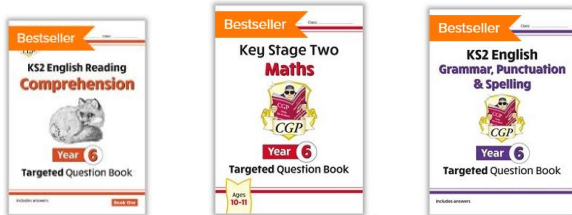
# ROBLOX

All programs and devices come with parental controls so

that you can make sure that your children stay safe online. However, these are not always easy to navigate. You can access step-by-step advice on how to do this for: Facebook, TikTok, Twitter, Instagram, Snapchat, Roblox, Netflix and Yubo at:

<https://swgfl.org.uk/resources/checklists/>

## Practice SATs papers



Year 6 parents can now order Practice SATs booklets via School Money. If you have any questions about which to buy and how to access these, please contact your child's class teacher.

## Uniform



PE kits should be back in school – black shorts and a white T-shirt.

As we like the children to enjoy the fresh air at break and lunch, please can you ensure they come in with a coat (with a hood or hat) and fully black

school shoes. Please ensure that all items are labelled with your child's name. Also, please remember that the only items of jewellery allowed in school are watches and stud earrings. But these must be removed for PE and swimming.

## World Book Day

This year World Book Day falls on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March. The theme this year is *Reading for Pleasure* and celebrating the fact that everyone reads their own way.

So start designing which character you are going to dress up as, we are looking forward to it already.



## Toys and collectibles

Just a quick reminder that toys and collectable cards etc are not allowed in school.

## Ravensfield School Club

Our club offers excellent before and after school care. With a focus on fun and a great deal of care from all members of the team, children really are the centre of this work. Please see the school website for details.

## Attendance

As a school, we are put under huge scrutiny for our attendance figures. If your child is ill you must let school know each day to keep us up to date. Please remember we do not authorise term time holidays. Penalty notices will be put in place and may lead to prosecution. No term time holidays!

## Diary Dates

- ❖ Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February – school closes at 3.15pm with Nursery at 3.30pm and we're back on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February.
- ❖ Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February – parents' evening
- ❖ Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March – parents' evening
- ❖ Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day
- ❖ Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March – Science Week
- ❖ Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March – school finishes at 2pm for Easter. We return to school on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April.