



Strawberry Fields Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the final day of the Spring term, I would like to thank all our families for your support and kindness this term. The week has ended with some Easter-themed fundraising events organised by the Friends of Strawberry Fields, and I would like to extend my thanks to them for giving up their time so willingly to support our school and raise funds which will go directly back to the children, enabling them to enjoy rich and varied experiences whilst at Strawberry Fields.

Many thanks to all for your Easter egg donations for the raffle, and a big thank you to Garforth and District Lions who donated a giant egg as our first prize.

I wish you all a happy and relaxing Easter holiday and look forward to welcoming you all back on Monday 20th April, as we look forward to the Summer term and, hopefully, some brighter weather.

Have a lovely holiday,
Mrs Mumby

FOSF Easter Events

The Easter events have raised almost £500, with winners from the Easter egg hunt being announced during today's assembly. Congratulations to Matthew, in 6LH, who was the winner of the 'guess how many eggs in the jar.' He was the closest to the total of 348! Congratulations also to the winners of the Easter egg hunt and the hamper raffle.

A huge thank you from the Friends of Strawberry Fields for your enthusiasm and support in taking part in all the events.

Year 3/4 Production 'Rhymes'

The children in Years 3 and 4 put on quite a show this week with two amazing performances of 'Rhymes' a musical performance written by our very own Mr Henshall!

The children stunned with their confident performances and wowed us with singing that really did raise the roof. We have such a wealth of talent and are incredibly proud of every single child who put their heart and soul into a fabulous performance.

Many thanks, also, to the staff across Years 3 and 4 who have supported the children, building their confidence and enabling them to believe in themselves.



Tesco In-Store Vote Update!

As you will be aware, our project is currently in the in-store vote for the Tesco Stronger Starts initiative.

The original voting round end date was Tuesday 31st March, however as this voting round did not start until mid-January, the decision has been made to extend the current voting round until Sunday 26th April! This gives us a little more time

to get those all-important final votes in for our project. Every vote counts!



Staffing News

This Easter we will be bidding a fond farewell to Mrs Kerry who will be leaving Strawberry Fields to take up a new teaching position in a school closer to home. I am sure that you will join me in sending our very best wishes to Mrs Kerry as she embarks on a new chapter in her teaching career.

SEND Information for Parents and Carers

Health workshops

Colleagues from Health, in collaboration with the Leeds Parent Carer Forum, are hosting a series of online information workshops for parents and carers.

The sessions cover topics such as:

- Leeds Teaching Hospitals Learning Disability and Autism Team (October 2025)**
- Health services in Leeds (February 2026)**
- CYPMHS / CAMHS (May 2026)**
- Health Screening (July 2026)**

All workshops are delivered online, and recordings can be accessed below.

For more information about the workshops email LLO@leeds.gov.uk

Year of Reading – Magazine Subscriptions

A huge thank you to all families who have donated to our initiative to purchase a magazine subscription for each class. We have so far raised around £350 and will leave this open on ParentPay until the end of the Easter holidays should you want to make any further donations. Many thanks.

Easter Camp

The poster for Easter Camp 2026 is purple and features a sun, a bunny, and a school food showdown. It lists activities: INFLATABLES, ICE-CREAM, COOKING COMPETITION, NERF BATTLE, GIANT BALL PIT, ARTS & CRAFTS. It also includes a 'BOOK NOW' button and contact information: email: holidaycamp@setschools.uk and phone: 01132 320796.

Augustus Court

The poster for Family Fun Day at Augustus Court Care Home is colorful and features a Ferris wheel, a carousel, and a banner that says 'FAMILY FUN DAY'. It lists the date and time: Saturday 11th April 2.00pm - 4.00pm. The location is Augustus Court Care Home, Church Gardens, Gaforth, LS25 1HG. It also mentions 'FREE ENTRY' and lists activities: Fire engine 2pm, Kids entertainment from 3pm, Raffle, Tombola, Hook a duck, and much more. The text 'Everyone Welcome' is at the bottom, along with the contact number: For more information call us on: 0113 385 0000.

Achievement Assembly

Congratulations to the following children who received Superstar Learner certificates in today's Achievement Assembly. We are very proud of them!

F2 Blue – Well done to Lottie

F2 Red – Well done to all of Red Class

1 JL – Well done to Jason

1/2 CE – Well done to Rory

2 AS – Well done to Albie

3 CB – Well done to the whole class

3/4 JH – Well done to the whole class

4 DS – Well done to the whole class

5 BM – Well done to Oleksii

5/6 LB – Well done to Cici

6 LH – Well done to Cairo

Headteacher Award – Well done to Caelan in 4DS

Presentation to be proud of:

1 JL – Well done to Cobie

1/2 CE – Well done to Vinnie

2 AS – Well done to Angel

4 DS – Well done to Jonah

5 BM – Well done to Sophie R

5/6 LB – Well done to Isabella

6 LH – Well done to Kobe

Attendance

We encourage good attendance at all times and know that if children attend well, they achieve well. Our school target is 96%. We strive to support all families in meeting and exceeding this target for all of our children, to ensure they grow socially, emotionally and academically.

Our attendance table this week:

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
F2 Blue	91.67%
F2 Red	90.28%
1JL	96.67%
1/2CE	93.33%
2AS	96.67%
3CB	95.67%
3/4JH	94.09%
4DS	97.92%
5BM	92.38%
5/6LB	86.19%
6LH	92.86%
Whole School	93.26%

Diary Dates

April

EASTER HOLIDAY MONDAY 6th APRIL – FRIDAY 17th APRIL

Wednesday 22nd Year 4 Whitby overnight residential

Tuesday 28th Local Governing Board Meeting

May

Monday 4th MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY

Monday 11th KS2 SATs Week begins

W.B. Monday 18th Careers Fair

HALF TERM MONDAY 25TH MAY – FRIDAY 29th MAY

June

Monday 1st - Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check and Phonics Screening Checks begin

Friday 12th

Thursday 4th Year 6 end of year photograph

Wednesday 3rd 5.30pm New to F2 Parent Information Evening

Wednesday 10th New to F1 Parent Information Evening

Tuesday 23rd EYFS Sports Day (PM)

Wednesday 24th KS1 Sports Day (AM)

Wednesday 24th KS2 Sports Day (PM)

Thursday 25th EYFS Sports Day (AM)

Friday 26th Year 5 Sleepover

Tuesday 30th Local Governing Board Meeting

July

Tuesday 7th Y3/4 Murton Park Trip

Wednesday 8th Y3/4 Murton Park Trip

Wednesday 8th 1.45pm Y5/6 Production

Thursday 9th 6pm Y5/6 Production

Thursday 16th 6pm Y6 Prom

Friday 17th Leaver's Assembly

Monday 20th INSET Day

Tuesday 21st INSET Day


SUMMER HOLIDAY WEDNESDAY 22nd JULY – FRIDAY 28TH AUGUST

BANK HOLIDAY - MONDAY 31ST AUGUST

INSET Days 2026/27
 Tuesday 1st September 2026
 Friday 23rd October 2026

Friday 18th December 2026
 Monday 4th January 2027
 Thursday 22nd July 2027

Lunchtime Menus for Week Beginning 20th April 2026

WEEK 1	 MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main dish	Cheese and tomato pizza with potato wedges	Chicken burger with diced potatoes	Meatballs with tomato pasta	Roast chicken and mash with Yorkshire puddings	Fish fingers with chips
Vegetarian Main dish	Cheese pinwheel	Veggie burger with diced potatoes	Cheese quiche	Quorn fillet, Yorkshire pudding and gravy, new potatoes	Vegetable fingers with chips
Sandwich Selection	Cheese roll	Turkey roll	Ham bap	Chicken baguette	Tuna wrap
Jacket potato	Topping of tuna mayo, beans or cheese	Topping of tuna mayo, beans or cheese	Topping of tuna mayo, beans or cheese	N/A	Topping of tuna mayo, beans or cheese
Accompaniments	Homemade bread Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Homemade bread Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Homemade bread Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Homemade bread Seasonal vegetables	Homemade bread Seasonal vegetables Salad bar
Desserts	Lemon shortbread	Flapjack	Vanilla sponge with custard	Ice cream	Choc-crunch biscuit
Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or Yoghurt/Jelly	Fresh fruit or Yoghurt/Jelly	Fresh fruit or Yoghurt/Jelly	Fresh fruit or Yoghurt/Jelly	Fresh fruit or Yoghurt/Jelly


WEEK 1 / Summer Term 1



East 6 Family Hub SEND Parent Carer Monthly Drop Ins

Whether you're navigating services or facing the challenges of raising a child with possible or diagnosed additional needs, you're not alone. These sessions are designed to empower parents and carers—helping you feel supported, informed, and confident in speaking up for your child's needs.

Hope Hargreaves, SEND Specialist Co-Ordinator at Seacroft Family Hub, will be hosting these sessions each month. With over 10 years' experience in a variety of roles, Hope brings her knowledge, access to useful resources, and a compassionate approach.

	 Swarcliffe Community Café 65 Stanks Gardens Leeds LS14 5LS 9:30am - 12:30pm	Lord Gascoigne 6 Aberford Rd Garforth Leeds LS25 1PX 5:30pm - 7:00pm	Garforth Library Lidgett Lane Garforth Leeds LS25 1EH 9:30am - 12:30pm	Wellington Hill Residents Association Between 21-23 Ringwood Drive LS14 1AR 6pm - 7:30pm
APR		Thurs 16 th	Thurs 2 nd	
MAY			Thurs 7 th	Thurs 14 th
JUN	Wed 3 rd	Thurs 11 th		
JUL			Wed 1 st	Thurs 16 th
AUG	Wed 5 th			
SEP			Wed 2 nd	Thurs 17 th
OCT	Wed 7 th			
NOV			Wed 4 th	Thurs 12 th
DEC	Wed 2 nd			
	Community Shop	LEEDS SEND PARENTS/CARERS	Leeds City Council	Small Steps 1814

Any of the above dates that are circled will also be attended by Rachel Walker from DWP. She can speak with anyone who would like support with benefits or employment advice.



HOME INFORMATION



April's Musician of the Month

BESSIE SMITH



About: Bessie Smith (1894 – 1937) was an African-American blues singer widely renowned during the Jazz Age. Nicknamed the "Empress of the Blues", she was the most popular female blues singer of the 1930s. Inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 1989, she is often regarded as one of the greatest singers of her era and was a major influence on fellow blues singers, as well as jazz vocalists.

Genres: Blues, Jazz

Active from: 1912 - 1937

Origin: Chattanooga, Tennessee, U.S.A.

Books to read...

If you like Bessie Smith, try...



- Billie Holiday
- John Lee Hooker
- Etta James