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Wednesday 11th October 2023

Dear parent/ carer,

Autumn Term parent Consultations

We have scheduled parent consultations for the week beginning the 23rd October 2023. These consultations will provide you with the opportunity to discuss how your child has settled into their new class, how they are progressing and how you are able to support them at home.

Appointments will be held virtually using the School Cloud platform. We have found this to be the most time efficient way to conduct our consultations. We appreciate that some of you miss having the opportunity to come into the classroom. However, we intend to run an open afternoon on Monday 18th December, where you will have the opportunity to visit the classroom after school (between 3:30 and 5:00) and see your child's work.

School Cloud provides an easy to use online appointment booking system which allows you to choose your own appointment time with teachers. The booking system will go 'live' on Monday 16th October at 6pm and will close on Sunday 22nd October at 12 noon. You will notice that teachers are only available on 2 out of the 4 evenings – reception and year 3 have different dates to the rest of classes due to teacher availability:

Reception	Tuesday 24 th October (3:40pm-6:00pm) Wednesday 25 th October (3:40pm-7:00pm)
Year 1	Wednesday 25 th October (3:40pm-7:00pm) Thursday 26 th October (3:40pm-6:00pm)
Year 2	Wednesday 25 th October (3:40pm-7:00pm) Thursday 26 th October (3:40pm-6:00pm)
Year 3	Monday 23 rd October (3:30pm-7:00pm) Tuesday 24 th October (3:30pm-6:00pm)
Year 4	Wednesday 25 th October (3:30pm-7:00pm) Thursday 26 th October (3:30pm-6:00pm)
Year 5	Wednesday 25 th October (3:30pm-7:00pm) Thursday 26 th October (3:30pm-6:00pm)
Year 6	Wednesday 25 th October (3:30pm-7:00pm) Thursday 26 th October (3:30pm-6:00pm)

Once a parent books a slot, the slot becomes unavailable to other parents. Once booked, appointments will be confirmed by email.

The parents' consultation will be hosted via video call. No app is required to be installed, you can just use a smart phone or laptop. All calls are encrypted. The video call finishes at the end of the appointment time (9 minute allocation).

In order to make video calls you need to have as a minimum:

- A device with a microphone and speaker/ headphones
- A compatible and up to date browser

We also recommend:

- Using your smartphone for video appointments. If you don't have a smartphone with a front-facing camera, use a laptop or computer with a webcam.
- Using a headset (or earphones with a microphone) to reduce echo.

Please visit <https://dunningtonprimary.schoolcloud.co.uk/> to book your appointments. (A short guide on how to book appointments is included with this letter).

You will be taken to the following log in page. Complete the form to log in to the system and to secure your appointments.

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SchoolCloud

Welcome to the Dunnington CE Primary School booking system. Bookings can be amended via a link from the email confirmation - please ensure your email address is correct.

Your Details

Title First Name Surname

Email Confirm Email

Student's Details

First Name Surname Date of Birth

1 January 2010

Log In

Please do contact the school office if you are experiencing any difficulties so we can check we have the correct name and email address entered onto our system.

The following link explains how to attend the video call appointment:

<https://support.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/article/801-video-parents-how-to-attend-appointments-over-video-call>

Instruction on how to add a second parent/ carer to join the appointment can be found on the following link:

<https://support.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/article/862-video-appointments-parents-how-to-invite-another-parent-guardian-to-join-your-appointments>

If you do not have access to the Internet, please contact the school office, who will be happy to add appointments on your behalf or set up a telephone appointment or a face to face meeting with your child's class teacher at a different time.

Scholastic Book Fair

A reminder that you are invited to our school book fair which will be held on the 11th, 12th and 13th of October. Every book sold at the Fair will help to earn FREE BOOKS for our school!

Where: Spare Classroom - Next door to Year 5. You will be able to enter from the KS2 playground

When: 15:30 - 16:00

We are looking forward to seeing you there!

Pokémon Cards

We have taken the decision to ban Pokémon cards for children in reception, year 1 and year 2. We are finding they are causing lots of arguments between the younger children. Children in KS2 are still welcome to bring in a small selection of cards to school, as long as they do not trade them here.

York Foodbank

Year 4 have decided they would like to do something positive, to live out our school values, and to help the York community, and have organised a donation point for York Foodbank. If your child is in Year 3 or Year 4, and you would like to donate something to York Foodbank, please bring it to Miss Dunn's classroom, where she can arrange to drop off the items. Any items should be delivered by Friday 20th October. Please note that this is a voluntary donation, but I'm sure any items are always gratefully received. You may find it useful to refer to the York Foodbank website: <https://york.foodbank.org.uk/>.

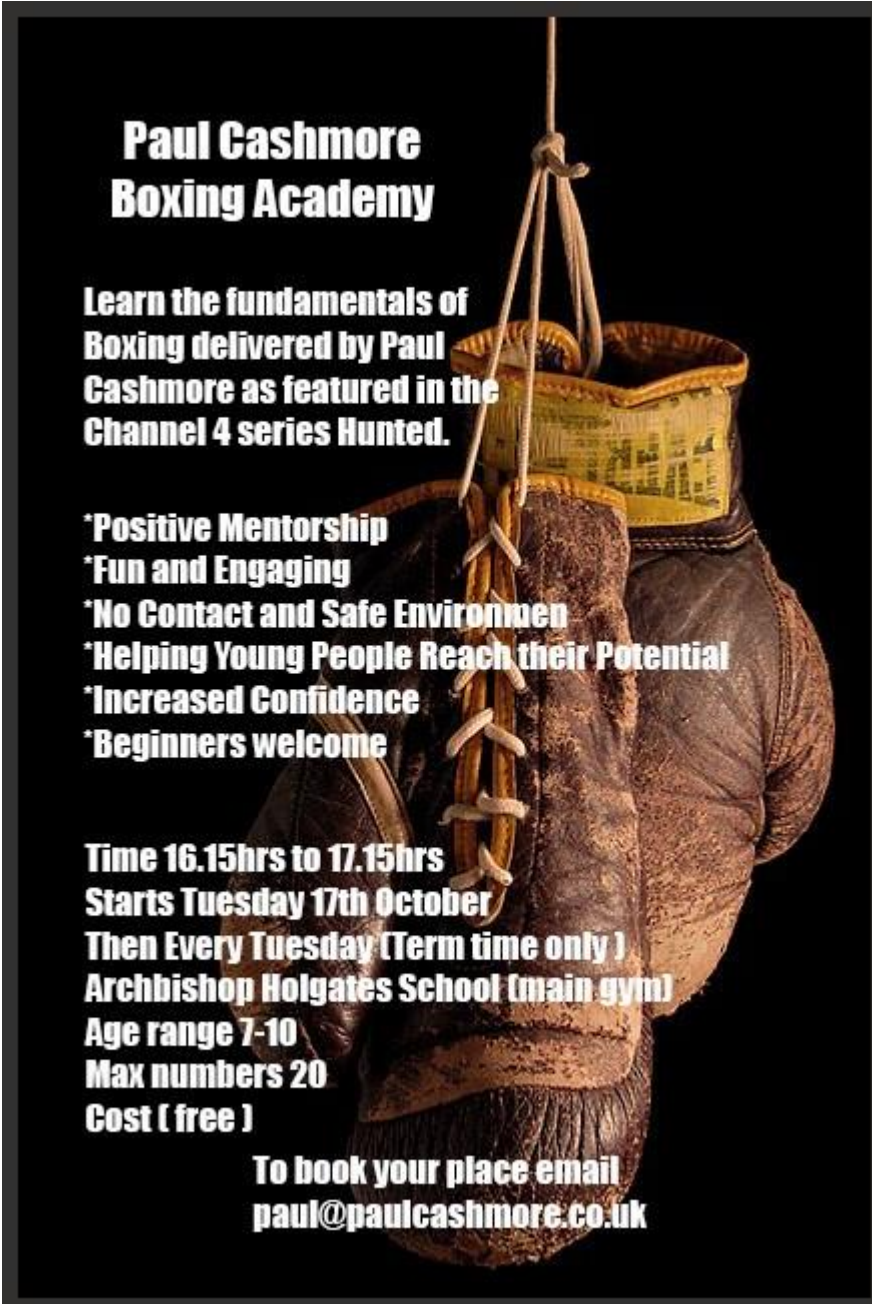
There are a number of items which they are currently running low on:

UHT MILK (MOST NEEDED)
TINNED MEAT (MOST NEEDED)
JARS OF PASTA SAUCE (MOST NEEDED)
SOUP (MOST NEEDED)
SPONGE PUDDINGS
CARTONS OF FRUIT JUICE
COFFEE

JAM
PACKETS OF BISCUITS
TOILET ROLL
LAUNDRY DETERGENT
SHAMPOO / CONDITIONER / SHOWER GEL

Free Boxing Club

Each year we survey the children about their experience of sport in and out of school. Several children requested boxing as a sport they would like to do, so we thought we would draw your attention to the Paul Cashmore Boxing Academy. Please see details below.



**Paul Cashmore
Boxing Academy**

**Learn the fundamentals of
Boxing delivered by Paul
Cashmore as featured in the
Channel 4 series Hunted.**

- *Positive Mentorship**
- *Fun and Engaging**
- *No Contact and Safe Environment**
- *Helping Young People Reach their Potential**
- *Increased Confidence**
- *Beginners welcome**

**Time 16.15hrs to 17.15hrs
Starts Tuesday 17th October
Then Every Tuesday (Term time only)
Archbishop Holgates School (main gym)
Age range 7-10
Max numbers 20
Cost (free)**

**To book your place email
paul@paulcashmore.co.uk**

Early Years Open Evening

For children starting school in September 2024, we invite families to come and visit our welcoming school.

OPEN EVENT



Growing and learning together and aiming to be the best that we can be, in an environment based on Christian values

This will be a drop in event where you will have the chance to see our EYFS area and to meet staff and ask questions.

DAY	TIME	
NOV 22	4-5PM	Dunnington CE Primary School

We are holding an open event for families of children starting school in September 2024.

It is a drop-in event where families can see our amazing EYFS area, meet staff and ask questions. There will also have an opportunity to have a tour of the school.

We would really appreciate it if you spread the word about this event.

**Dates for your Diary
Autumn Term 2023**

Any additional dates will be added in bold each week.

October 2023

School Book Fair	Wednesday 11 th - Friday 13 th October 2023
Influenza Immunisation	Thursday 12 th October 2023
Year 3 and 4 Pedestrian Training	Thursday 19 th October 2023 Thursday 26 th October 2023
Parent Consultations	Monday 23 rd October 2023 (Year 3) Tuesday 24 th October 2023 (Rec, Year 3) Wednesday 25 th October 2023 (Rec, 1, 2, 4, 5, 6) Thursday 26 th October 2023 (1, 2, 4, 5, 6)
School Closes for Half Term	Friday 27 th October 2023

November 2023

Back to school	Monday 6 th November 2023
Yoyo Workshop – Year 5	Monday 13 th November 2023
Individual School Photographs	Wednesday 15 th November 2023

December 2023

Tree Decorating Assembly	Friday 1 st December 2023
EYFS and KS1 Nativity	Tuesday 12 th December 2023 - 2pm Wednesday 13 th December - 2pm
Riding Lights Theatre Company Presents – Give it Back Mac! – Whole school	Monday 18 th December 2023
Open afternoon – visit classrooms to see children’s work	Monday 18th December 3:30pm-5:00pm
Yoyo Assembly and Workshops – Year 1 and Year 4	Tuesday 19 th December 2023
Christmas Parties	Wednesday 20 th December 2023
PTA Christmas Disco	Wednesday 20 th December 2023 (TBC)
Christmas Services in St Nicholas’ Church Parents welcome	Thursday 21 st December 2023 10 am- EYFS and KS1 11am- KS2
School Closes for Christmas	Thursday 21 st December 2023
Staff Training Day	Friday 22 nd December 2023
Back to School	Monday 8 th January 2024

We hope you have a lovely week. As always, don’t hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

With very best wishes,

Clare Thompson

Attachments

- Five Minute Read – What parents and carers need to know about WhatsApp
- Over The Rainbow Flier detailing half term activities
- YIKS Newsletter
- School Cloud Parent Guide to making appointments