



St. Martin's C of E (VA) Primary School

Friday 13th January 2023

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

Perseverance

Our Christian value focus for this term is perseverance and we will be exploring this through our Worship this half term. Your child may have already talked about the macramé snowflake that I persevered to make in the Christmas holidays as I try to learn a new skill! If your child shows specific perseverance with something outside of school that they then go on to succeed in, please share your stories with us in school. We would love to hear how this value is lived out in so many ways.



Attendance

Target attendance %	Current attendance
96%	94.26%

Traffic outside school

I know it is really tempting to park close to school with the weather being so cold and rainy. We have however seen of an increase in dangerous parking and reversing when young children are trying to cross the road. I know I say it every time, but it is imperative that you do try to park further away and take the short walk to school. The children should be able to enter and leave school safely and I do worry that there could be an accident with how parking and driving is outside school currently. I am meeting with Mr Dyer at Wheatcroft School to discuss this further.

Free School Meals

Free school meals are available to all Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils and to children whose parents receive certain benefits. School meals can also save you time and provide peace of mind that your child is enjoying a healthy, fresh, and nutritious meal at lunchtime.

To check if you are entitled to claim free school meals, you can check at:

<https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/free-school-meals>

If you do qualify for any financial support, we would encourage you to complete the online form as this could also enable school to claim the Pupil Premium Funding to further support them. If you need any help with this, please just ask at the school office.



There looks like there could be snow on the horizon next week! We will keep you posted with any weather updates via Dojo as we did before Christmas. Have a lovely weekend everyone.

God bless,

C Barber

Mrs C Barber
Headteacher

“Serve one another in love” Galatians 5v13