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Dear Families,

Parent governor vacancies Thank you so much to Mrs Tracy Evans, who has come to the end of her term as a parent governor. Over the past 4 years Tracy has been a fantastic support to the school leadership and has played a highly active role in the meetings and when attending training. We will miss her very much!

This means that we currently have 2 parent governor vacancies, and the formal letter about these was sent out earlier this week. If you are interested and would like to find out more, please contact either the school office or Sue Van Hout, our chair of governors (chair@fog.ht.academy) for an informal chat. All training is provided and the governors normally meet 6 times a year, with further opportunities to be involved such as smaller group sessions, training and school visits.

Staffing update Mrs Sara Walker will be leaving us at the end of November for a new role working with the Post Office. Mrs Walker has been with the school for over 10 years in different roles: working in the kitchen, then in the Reception class, and now in the school office and the out of school club. She knows all the children and families so well and has always been there to support and help out, going way above and beyond in all areas of school. We wish Sara all the very best in her new role, and she will be very much missed.

Parents' evenings We are holding parents' evenings in the week beginning 8.11.21, and these will be by video again. Follow the email links from the School Cloud/Parents Evening System to book your appointments. Please note that if you have more than 1 child in school, there will be a separate link for each child.

As always, if you have changed your email address please let us know, and if you are having any difficulties just contact us and we will do our best! There are always some hiccups in the bookings but we always get there!

Applications for primary school places From 12th October applications are open for primary school places in the Reception year for September 2022. If you live in the City of York Council area, applications should be made online at <https://www.york.gov.uk/admissions> and if you live in the North Yorkshire County Council area, the website is at <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/school-admissions>

The closing date is 15 January 2022. **Even if your child already attends our Nursery, you still need to make an application for a Reception school place.**

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Dojo Awards

Well done to this week's Dojo
award winners!

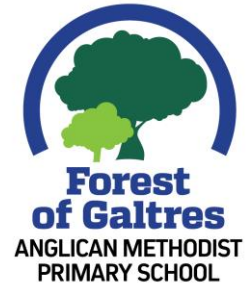
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Keeping in touch with school The main school office email is now hello@fog.hslt.academy. All staff emails remain in the old format initial.surname@fog.hlt.academy but staff can also be contacted through Tapestry and Google Classroom for now, and will update to the @fog.hslt address later this term. Emails sent to the previous addresses are still coming through to us, but over time this arrangement will stop. **We are aware that there have been some issues around emails being bounced back, so to be on the safe side it is worth trying both formats for now!** Please be aware that the member of staff you are trying to contact may not be working that day, in which case it is unlikely that they will be able to follow anything up with you. There are also some updates going on with the school website, so if things appear out of date please bear with us (and the web technicians!)

e-letters the following letters have been sent this week:

- NYCC Covid 19 letter (all)
- Letter from HSLT CEO (all)
- Parent governor elections (all)

Letters which have reply slips (eg the club booking forms) can be completed electronically and emailed back to school at hello@fog.hslt.academy



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Diary dates

22.10.21 - Elm Bun Day
22.10.21 - School closes for half term
1.11.21 - School opens
w/c 8.11.21 – Parents' evenings
19.11.21 - Ash Bun Day
3.12.21 - EYFS Bun Day
17.12.21 – School closes for Christmas

Your support for your child's education is crucial to their progress. Please tell us if there are any adjustments we need to make to help you support your child, for example: letters in large font; letters in different languages; wheelchair access; explaining things over the phone; a discussion with a school colleague of the same gender.