



Our Race for Life is on Tuesday afternoon, 27<sup>th</sup> June. We are aiming to raise £750. You can pay your sponsorship in at: <https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/old-dalby-c-of-e-primary-school>. Sponsor forms will be sent home shortly

### **Bags2School**

**Your child(ren) will come home with a Bag2School bag this week. Please fill it with any items of clothing (not school uniform), shoes, handbags, ties, belts, hats, soft toys or jewellery.**

**Please do not include items of bedding, curtains, towels, textiles, wool etc.**

**The bags need to be returned to school on the morning of Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June.**

### **PTA Newsletter**

**NEXT PTA Meeting** – Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June from 7.30pm in The Crown, Old Dalby

Your PTA NEEDS YOU so if you can help in any way however small just get in touch with the school office or email the PTA directly on [pta@olddalbyschool.org.uk](mailto:pta@olddalbyschool.org.uk)

The PTA Monthly Meetings are a great way to find out what is being planned, what is needed & to input new ideas & support.... Check the weekly newsletter for diary dates.

**Bake A Cake Friday** – If you can bake and donate a cake (or cakes) please send it into school on Friday morning for this fundraiser.

**Gardening Club** - One of the school's key objectives is to improve the play and garden areas for the children. Monies raised from within school and from PTA activities will continue to support this. However, hard graft is also needed to maintain beds, furniture and planting.

On the first Thursday of every month we will be running a gardening open morning. It will run from school drop off until first break at 10.45 am. This is open to all who can spare time and energy! Feel free to stay as long as you can within that time. Please bring tools, gloves if you have them. The next Thursday will be Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June. Thanks for your support in advance. Coffee, Tea & Biscuits will be provided!

## Garden Project – Phase 1

The aim of Phase 1 of the Garden Project is to create a low maintenance, aesthetically pleasing garden which will enhance the school entrance area for pupils, visitors and staff.

The aim of the project to date has been to clear the area, making it ready for the hard landscaping to commence. The majority of the planting has now been removed; the remainder will be completed before the half term holiday. Plans for the 'new' garden have been finalised, costed and materials have been sourced. The school and PTA are jointly funding the project. The finalised plan is attached.

The target completion date for phase 1 of this project is the end of the summer term – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2017 – at the latest! However, to meet his date we require **HELP**. We are looking for volunteers to help complete the following tasks:

1. Cutting 8 softwood sleepers into defined lengths
2. Levelling the area in preparation to lay the sleepers
3. Laying the sleepers
4. Laying artificial turf
5. Filling beds with top soil and planting
6. Painting timber stakes to look like pencils.

If you are interested in helping us (or you know someone who might be!) please email the PTA – [pta@olddalbyschool.org.uk](mailto:pta@olddalbyschool.org.uk) before Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May with the following information:

1. Your name
2. Your contact details
3. Your availability during June and the start of July (including weekends)
4. The tasks you are interested in helping with

We will then book sessions and communicate them before school finishes for half term on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May.

Anyone and everyone is welcome to join us – we need 'non-skilled' volunteers as much as we need the 'skilled' for the tasks required!

Hoping very much to hear from lots of willing and able volunteers!

## Menu for Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May



Hotdogs and Chips with cucumber/carrot sticks



Ice cream



## Lost Property

There will be a table with all of our lost property on in the foyer this week - please look through for any items you are missing. Anything left at the end of the week will be recycled!

## Dates for your Diary

Half-term - Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June - Please note school is closed on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May for Inset.

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June - PTA Meeting

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June - PTA Gardening Club

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June - Race for Life

Summer Break - School Closes Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July