

NEWSLETTER 6th February 2026

"Rooted and grounded in love"
Ephesians 3:17



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Headteacher's Message

This week I was finally able to visit the venue of our Class 3 residential and do my initial risk assessment and see the facilities. This year we will be going to the PGL Centre at Newby Whiske, the week after the Year 6 SATS. The accommodation, canteen and outdoor facilities are all of a very high standard and I know that the children will have a fantastic time and make memories that they will carry with them forever. The fact that it is in our immediate local area means that we do not have to pass the huge expense of coach travel onto parents, which I know will benefit a number of families.

Also this week we had serious drainage issues at KS2 meaning that Class 3 had to relocate temporarily to the village hall. Luckily the problem was successfully resolved and there was minimal disruption to the children's learning.

Lastly, I wanted to share that I have had a few concerns raised about standards of driving in the school carpark and the road immediately approaching the carpark. The complaints have been around the speed that cars are travelling and also the mounting of pavements while reversing or turning. Please drive carefully and considerately at all times, it would be heart breaking for anyone, adult or child, to be injured.

What have we been learning this week?

EYFS

[Link to website class page](#) – see what we are learning this term

This week in Early Years we have continued to learn about polar animals. We have sorted animals into those you would find in the Arctic and the Antarctic. We have continued to explore painting, creating snowy scenes using white and blue paints. In maths we have looked at doubling further, and have been combining numbers (early addition work). In readiness for the Big Bird Watch in school next week, we have practice our pincer grip skills, and made bird feeders to hang on the trees outside the classroom.

Class 1

[Link to website class page](#) – see what we are learning this term

Class 1 have had another very busy week, especially in their maths work with the year 2 children really working hard on their times table knowledge and year 1 children practising their subtraction knowledge. We have planned some amazing stories in our English lessons and everyone is very excited to write their stories next week.

Class 2

[Link to website class page](#) – see what we are learning this term

Another busy week in Class 2! On Monday, we enjoyed learning all about how earthquakes are measured and how countries can mitigate the damage caused. In computing we completed our research ready to film our green screen videos next week. On Wednesday we set our gymnastics routines to music and used our drawing and shading techniques to draw a lit candle as part of our still life project. Year 3 had a great time swimming on Thursday and we all enjoyed learning about Puja, the Hindu act of worship for RE.

Class 3

[Link to website class page](#) – see what we are learning this term

Class 3 have had a lovely week planning our French cafe and making their own hip hop music. We have also been finishing our art work, completing the final stage of our layered portraits. In English, the children have begun writing narratives, building tension with speech.



Celebrating our Success

Stars of the Week

EYFS

This star of the week in Early Years is Raine! Raine has had a super week. He has tried so hard with his writing, enthusiastically joining the writing activities without having to be asked! Well done Raine!

Class 1

The Star for class 1 this week is Max for his amazing writing this week. He has really grown in confidence and shown great determination to complete his work to a high standard. Wow Max, well done.

Class 2

The star in class 2 this week goes to Zac. Zac has had a fantastic week. He has shared some really thoughtful ideas in whole class discussions, shown really good independent learning and produced some beautiful artwork. Well done Zac.

Class 3

The star of the week is Molly for always being such a kind and looking out for people in school. Well done Mol!

The Values Award



Attendance this week

| EYFS | Class 1 | Class 2 | Class 3 |
|--------|---------|---------|---------|
| 94.54% | 99.33% | 92.63% | 93.6% |



NHS information we have been asked to share with parents and carers.



Safeguarding

Attached to the newsletter this week is our latest online safety newsletter

Friday Celebration Assembly Class Sharing Dates

Friday 13th February

EYFS and Class 2

The gate at the KS2 side of school will open at 2.40.

We look forward to welcoming you.

Care With Confidence This Winter

Each winter, the NHS faces increased pressure as seasonal viruses circulate, and more children become unwell. The Healthier Together website offers clear, trusted guidance on common childhood illnesses, when and where to seek help, and where to find the right support.

It's completely natural to feel worried when your child is unwell — but you don't have to figure it out alone. Healthier Together is packed with reliable advice from local doctors and nurses, helping you understand what to do, where to go, and when to get extra help, especially during the busy winter months.

For clear, practical advice to help you care with confidence, visit the Healthier Together website: <https://tinyurl.com/79kwdumh>

It's also not too late for your child to receive the flu vaccine. Check with your GP and find out more here: www.letsgetvaccinated.co.uk

Use this website to get advice as to whether your child is well enough for school

Is my child too ill for school? - NHS





CARLTON CRAFTS

Craft Club

Saturday 14th February 2026

Love & Friendship



- friendship bracelets • heart garlands •
- kindness rocks • love bugs •
- colouring and more! •

Sandhutton &
Breckenbrough
Village Hall

2:00pm -
4:00pm

Ages
4 - 10

£12 per
child

To book a place:

- Call/Text: 07917 455009
- Email: carltoncraftsthirsk@outlook.com
- Or scan the QR code to book instantly!

