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"The roots to grow and the wings to fly"



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## Headteacher's Message

It was a big week last week for our Year 6s who had their SATS. We are all so proud of how well each and every one of them tackled the challenge. They worked really hard and did their absolute best and whatever their results, we know they have done themselves and our school proud. It was an honour to recognise their achievements by giving them all a ribbon award in celebration assembly. Miss Ungerechts was also delighted that nobody got jam or honey on their test papers from the toast I made for their breakfast! Special mention must also go to the Year 5 children who spent most of the mornings in our 'goldfish bowl' spare classroom working with Mrs McKelvey. They were so understanding and supportive of their change in routine and produced some excellent work. Class 1 had their first Forest School session last Monday and thoroughly enjoyed peeling sticks, hammering and playing outside. This week we look forward to welcoming our local PCSO into school to speak to our KS2 children about online safety.

| What have we been learning this week?   |  |  |
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| EYFS  | Class 1  |  |
| This week in Early Years we have been<br>reading the book "I will not ever never<br>eat a tomato" by Lauren Child. We have<br>investigated tomatoes, independently<br>using a knife to slice the tomatoes and<br>then labelling the skin, flesh and seeds.<br>In maths, Reception children have<br>continued their work on shape, exploring<br>whether we could make shapes out of<br>other shapes. Nursery have been<br>consolidating the maths work we have<br>covered this half term.                          | This week in Class 1 we have been writing<br>stories. We have written our own story to follow<br>on from The Storm Whale. All of the children<br>have really enjoyed planning, writing, editing<br>and marking their own stories and we have<br>seen some fabulous writing from everyone. We<br>have all worked really hard to complete our five<br>rainbow challenges in five days and I am<br>pleased to say that nearly everyone achieved<br>this. We will have a new set of challenges next<br>week. Are you all up to the challenge?  |  |
| Class 2   | Class 3  |  |
| This week in class 2 we have completed<br>reading our class text of The<br>Abominables. We completed book reviews<br>and have planned a newspaper report<br>based on the story which we will write<br>next week. In maths, year 4 have been<br>looking at angles and lines of symmetry<br>while year 3 have been looking<br>at duration. In PE we put all our skills<br>together from this half term to play<br>games of cricket and in History we wrote<br>poetry based on the Viking invasion of<br>Lindisfarne | Class 3 have been busy this week with their<br>SATs exams in Y6 and learning about shape and<br>internal angles of shapes in Y5. The children<br>have worked incredibly hard on their spelling,<br>grammar and punctuation revisiting how to use<br>apostrophes for contractions and possession,<br>how colons and semi-colons have been used.<br>They have continued to read their book "Who<br>Let the Gods Out?" linking to our history<br>(Ancient Greeks). We have finished our art<br>projects looking at light and colour. In history<br>they have completed a session in the style of<br>Antiques Roadshow, ordering their Greek<br>pottery on a timeline between the dark ages,<br>the archaic period and the classical period. |  |

# **Celebrating our Success**

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| EYFS     | This week the ribbon goes to Noah for his amazing listening<br>skills which have helped him to build a mosque in the<br>construction area, and name the different parts, such as the<br>dome and minaret.   |
| Class 1  | The Ribbon for Class 1 this week goes to Emini for her super<br>progress in reading. She has worked hard to improve the speed<br>of her reading and now has a greater understanding of what<br>she has read. Emini has also made fantastic progress in her<br>writing and is especially enjoying writing within the<br>provision. |
| Class 2  | The ribbon in class 2 this week goes to Josephine. Josephine<br>has been a little superstar in Class 2 all year. She brings in<br>her The Week magazine each week which we enjoy looking at<br>and she is a great friend and has a happy smile on her face<br>each day.   |
| Class 3  | The ribbon is going to the whole of Y6 for their tremendous<br>effort on the run up to their SATs. All we ask is that they try<br>their best and they have absolutely done that and more! Well<br>done Y6 children!   |

## Attendance last week

| EYFS | Class 1 | Class 2 | Class 3 |
|------|---------|---------|---------|
| 97%  | 92%     | 99%     | 98%     |

#### Did you know?

Attendance rates across all primary schools in England for the school year so far up until 3.4.24 was 95%.

Our school's attendance rate was 96%.

| Friday Celebration Assembly Dates |  |  |
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| Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May       | Class 1 and class 3  |  |
| Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> June       | EYFS and class 2   |  |
| Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June      | Class 1 and class 3  |  |
| Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June      | School closed for<br>training day – no<br>celebration assembly |  |

The gate at the KS2 side of school will open at 2.45 for parents and carers to make their way into the hall.

We look forward to welcoming you.

# The Values Award



Ella nominated Layla for her shining example of perseverance. She never gives up in RE and her Art turned out really well. Well done Layla!

## Safeguarding

Attached to this newsletter is an online safety advice sheet produced by the National College This week is advice what you can learn form the OFCOM Media Report 2024.

Did you know? If you have any Safeguarding worries about any child in North Yorkshire you can follow this link to find information to help you decide what to do next NYSCP (safeguardingchildren.co.uk)

#### Year 6 Transition Resources

Now that SATs have finished Year 6s naturally start to think about their next steps. We will be supporting them in school with their transition to secondary education but resources have now come into school to help you support them at home. Attached to this newsletter is a booklet for parents/carers to share with their year 6 child. It is produced by 'Compass' a charity that provides health and wellbeing services.

A video to support Year 6 transition has also been sent to us to share with families by the Early Help Service at North Yorkshire Council. It can be found at https://youtu.be/L70If2UJ0F4?si=s-

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## SPARE CHANGE FUNDRAISING RESULTS Thank you for all your contributions towards our PTA Fundraising

Commemorating D-Day 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

The aim was to raise over £80.00. Our grand total was an amazing £258.30Our class winners who will receive a portion of the funds to spend on whatever they wish is EYFS class who collected an incredible £72.17

A donation will also go to the Royal British Legion.

Thank you so much for all your support!



# Summer dates for your diary



| May 2024   |  |  |  |
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| Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> May 3.30pm                   | Class 3 Residential Parent/Carer Meeting   |  |  |
| Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> May    | SCHOOL CLOSED - Half term  |  |  |
| June 2024  |  |  |  |
| Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> - Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> June     | Class 3 Residential  |  |  |
| Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> - Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> June     | Year 4 Multiplication Check week   |  |  |
| Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> - Fri 14th                    | Year 1 Phonics Screening Check week  |  |  |
| Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> June                          | SCHOOL CLOSED - Staff Training Day   |  |  |
| Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> June 4pm                      | Reception new starters meeting   |  |  |
| Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> & Tues 25 <sup>th</sup> June  | Outwood Academy Easingwold Year 6 Transition days                                |  |  |
| Wed 26 <sup>th</sup> June 2pm & 6pm                | Class 3 Production of Oliver   |  |  |
| Thurs 27 <sup>th</sup> & Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> June | Year 6 Bikeability   |  |  |
| July 2024  |  |  |  |
| Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> & Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup> July   | Boroughbridge High School Year 6 Transition days                                 |  |  |
| Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup> July                         | Reception new starters transition morning  |  |  |
| Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> July morning                   | Ripon Cathedral Year 6 Leavers Service   |  |  |
| Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> July afternoon                 | Sports Day (no celebration assembly)   |  |  |
| Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> - Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> July    | Thirsk High School Year 6 Transition days  |  |  |
| Thurs 11 <sup>th</sup> July                        | Reception new starters transition morning  |  |  |
| Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> July                          | End of Year School Reports sent home<br>Alternative Sports Day date              |  |  |
| Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup> July morning                | Leavers Assembly   |  |  |
| Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2.30pm                   | School closes for Summer<br>(no After School Club, celebration assembly at 2.10) |  |  |