

21 March 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you have enjoyed the last couple of weeks since my previous newsletter. We have been busy and productive in school with lots to celebrate. I am delighted to say that the children have been on the school field for the first time in a long time this week which has given everyone a boost! Long may this improved weather continue.



ATTENDANCE

Our whole school attendance is currently 95.29% which is below our target of 97%. Please remember that I am unable to authorise holidays. **Penalty notices are being issued for unauthorised absences which reach the local authority limit.** Thank you for helping us to maintain high rates of attendance. **Well done to Class 3 for winning the fortnightly attendance award.**

NURSERY CONSULTATION

As you will be aware, the Governing Body has begun a consultation on a potential nursery provision in school. A paper copy of the consultation is being sent home today. We understand that some of you may have questions and queries so these can also be added to the response form. The consultation will end on Tuesday 22^{nd} April. Thank you for your support.



PHONICS AND EARLY READING INFORMATION SESSION

Thank you to the parents/carers who attended our phonics and early reading information session last week. I hope you found it useful. Many thanks to Mrs Hainsworth and Miss O'Neill for leading the session. If you would like any further support with reading and phonics, please get in touch.



BOOK SALE

Our book sale was a great success and raised £184.94. Thank you so much to all the kind people who donated books for this event. We had donations from lots of people in the school community and beyond. Many thanks also to the Friends of the School for organising the book sale and to all the volunteers who helped out.



Thank you to the Friends of the School for organising our Bingo Night which was well attended and lots of fun. I hope you enjoyed it as much as the staff did! We raised a total of £170.54.



MAZ EVANS - CLASS 4 VIRTUAL VISIT

The Year 5/6 children enjoyed a virtual visit from children's author Maz Evans this week. They learned all about the story-writing process and were inspired by Maz's enthusiasm and passion for writing. The children made the most of the opportunity and will definitely benefit from the experience. Miss Rowling has been reading Maz Evans' books in class and they have certainly ignited the children's imaginations.

YEAR 5/6 DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT



On Tuesday 18th March, our Year 5/6 dodgeball team took part in a small schools tournament in Northallerton. They played brilliantly and finished in 1st place! Congratulations and well done to Annabelle, Chloe, Dylan B, Dylan Q, Grace, Kian, Noah, Rupert, Will and Zak.



CLASS 2 VISIT TO THE NEW LIFE BAPTIST CHURCH

On Thursday 20th March, the Year 1/2 children visited the New Life Baptist Church, linked to their learning in RE. They learned all about the Easter story and took part in role play activities. The children had a great time and it really brought their learning to life. Thank you to everyone at the New Life Baptist Church for being so welcoming.



RED NOSE DAY FOR COMIC RELIEF

Thank you for supporting this important charity. We have raised a total of £111.30.

EASTER EGG COMPETITION AND ASSEMBLY – FRIDAY 4TH APRIL AT 2.00PM



Our Easter Egg competition will take place on Friday 4th April at 2.00pm. Your child can decorate a boiled egg and bring it into school on Thursday 3rd or Friday 4th April. The cost is £1.00 per entry. We will announce the winners in our Celebration Assembly.

MY HAPPY MIND



Please remember that we have implemented a fantastic health and wellbeing program called myHappymind which is already popular with the children and staff. To further embed this learning, myHappymind has developed a Parent App which will support you as a parent in understanding what your child is learning. There are also activities for you to do together at home and a Kids Zone featuring

myHappymind Games plus much more! To access these materials just go to https://myhappymind.org/parentresources to create your free account. You will need to enter your name, email and authentication code 121371. Or simply scan the QR code above to sign up.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Yours faithfully

Mr N Clark

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Head Teacher



31st March - Village Walk – Class 2

1st April - Y5/6 Netball - Northallerton Leisure Centre

 4^{th} April - Easter Assembly – 2.00pm 4^{th} April - School closes for Easter

21st April - Bank Holiday 22nd April - School opens

24th April - Friends of the School Meeting

29th April - Y5/6 Cricket - Northallerton Cricket Ground 30th April - Class 2 trip to Captain Cook Birthplace Museum

2nd May - May Fayre

7th May - Y3/4 Cricket – Northallerton Cricket Ground 8th May - VE Day – picnic and games on school field

12th – 15th May - Y6 Sats

21st – 23rd May - Year 5/6 Residential - Robinwood - Barhaugh Hall

23rd May - School closes for Half Term

2nd June - School opens

ABSENCE

Please ensure the school office is notified by 9.00am either by telephone or email if your child is absent from school due to illness.

Thank you.

COMMUNITY LINKS

Used stamp collection for bone cancer research trust and RNIB.

Please keep sending in your used Stamps. Thank you.

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AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Please let us know your club arrangements. Booking forms and Parental Contracts are available from the office. CLUB ACTIVITIES – w/c 24th March 2025 and 31st March 2025.

















| COOKING - BISCOFF CROISSANTS |
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| EASTER CRAFTS |
| COMPUTER GAMES |
| BASKETBALL |
| FILMS & GAMES |
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| COOKING - EASTER TREATS |
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LUNCH MENU W/C 24TH MARCH 2025



Main Choice **OR** SANDWICH

Monday - Pizza & Potato Wedges **OR** Egg Mayo sandwich Tuesday - Pasta Bolognese **OR** Cheese Sandwich Wednesday - Chicken & Tomato Bake **OR** Tuna Sandwich Thursday - All Day Breakfast **OR** Ham Sandwich Friday - Battered Fish & Chips **OR** Cheese Sandwich

LUNCH MENU W/C 31ST MARCH 2025

Main Choice **OR** JACKET POTATO = JP

Monday - Beef Burger & Fries **OR** Cheese JP Tuesday - Sweet & Sour Pork Noodles **OR** Baked Bean JP Wednesday - Roast Chicken & Yorkshire Pudding **OR** Tuna JP Thursday - Macaroni Cheese **OR** Cheese JP Friday - Fish Stars **OR** Baked Bean JP