

I can't believe we have reached the half way point of the schools year!

Time definitely flies when you are having fun and it has been a joy walking round school these last few weeks to see the progress being made by so many pupils. The standard of work on display is excellent and we really do have budding writers, mathematicians, artists and scientists to name but a few things.

I have also been really impressed by our community spirit and the way several new pupils have settled into our school community. This is a real credit to the way our children embrace each other and know how to make people feel welcome.

Finally, have a great holiday and we will see you back in school for the second half of the spring term.

HOLIDAY

It's Half Term !!!

We return to school on Monday 19th February



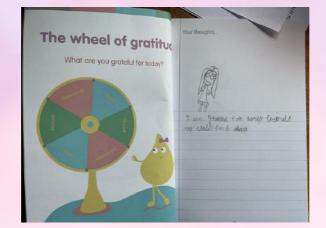


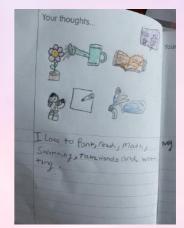
We have now completed the Appreciate module. The children have been showing their appreciation more since learning about how we can show our appreciation to others and ourselves. This week is mental health week, with a particular special day on Friday, which is 'Express Yourself' day. The My Happy Mind ambassadors have arranged a bake sale to raise funds for our school to support children with their mental health and well-being. Please pop along if you can.

Year 3 Highlight

Year 3 are focusing on gratitude this term. We have been thinking of gratitude in three categories, ourselves, others and experiences.







On 'blue Monday' we were been inspired by the Samaritans charity to change it to 'brew Monday' we went for a walk with our friends to ask how they were feeling and then enjoyed a brew (hot chocolate) and continued our conversations.







Bake Sale FRIDAY 9TH FEBRUARY @ 3:15



Raising money to support children's Mental Health – as part of Mental Health Week.

Express Yourself Day

DON'T miss it!

WORLP BOOK DAY

THVRSDAY 7TH MARCH

OPTIONAL - if a child would like to, they can come dressed as their favourite book character for the day.

the day will be spent celebrating reading and the wonderful world of books!



Foundation Stage 1 SNACK TIME

We want to develop snack time in the FS1 setting.

The aim of snack time will be to:

- provide children with a variety of healthy snack options
- to give children the chance to prepare a snack
- for children to enjoy socialising with their friends while they eat

Snacks will vary each day and will rotate on a weekly basis. All children with dietary needs will be catered for. The new snack arrangements will begin after the February half term break.

NEXT HALF TERM MENU

Monday- Cereal and fruit

Tuesday- Crackers and cheese spread and fruit

Wednesday- Yoghurt and fruit

Thursday- Bread sticks and dips and fruit

Friday- Toast and spreads and fruit

COST

In order for us to make these changes there will be a small cost to parents. We are aiming to keep the costs low and parents will be asked to pay £2.50 (15 hrs) or £5 (30 hrs) per half term. This will be used to buy snack items and items needed to prepare and serve snack.

Snack can be paid for through ARBOR.

Children will not be able to bring their own snacks to the session.

FOREST SCHOOLS

Forest schools snack will include campfire cooking or a bread snack. For example; brioche bun, croissant or bread roll.



Cycling for All

Dates: Tuesdays: 09.04.24 30.04.24 16.04.24 07.05.24 23.04.24 14.05.24

3.20pm - 4.20pm

Time:

Venue: Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Primary School Broomfield Avenue Northallerton DL7 8UL

Audience:

- From reception / FS2 upwards
- This is a coaching course to develop and improve cycling skills
- Differentiated group lessons for all abilities

Standard price: £29 / pupil Hardship bursary is available. Please apply by emailing yes@aretelearningtrust.org by 8th March 2024

To book please visit www.yesataretelearningtrust.net/ Training-Events or email yes@aretelearningtrust.org.

Places won't be secured until payment and completed consent forms have been received. In conjunction with the Lottery Community Fund and Stage 1 Cycles Hawes, YES @ Areté Learning Trust are hosting a six session cycling programme for all abilities.

These sessions will be fun, game led and skilled based,

and will be tailored to meet individual needs.

Places are limited so early booking is recommended.

Closing date: 15th March 2024

For further information contact

Steffy Cappleman (yes@aretelearningtrust.org) or Helen Pollard (ride@stage1cycles.co.uk)

Training led by: Stage 1 Cycles

Stage 1 Cycles is the leading provider of cycling activities in Wensleydale, North Yorkshire. As a registered provider you can be confident in the safety and quality of their activities. All sessions are led by an appropriately qualified cycling instructors who are subject to disclosure and barring checks. Stage 1 Cycles is an Adventurous Activity Licensed Company.





Cancellations/Refunds

Cancellations of training events are subject to a 25% administration fee where the cancellation is made 3 weeks or more before the date of the event. No refund is payable for a cancellation made within 2 weeks prior to the training course – in this event the full sum shown on the invoice remains payable.

This week's attendance award goes to... Year 1 Ewbank's Ewes with 99.7%

Health and Wellbeing Board North Yorkshire

Have your say on North Yorkshire's Autism Strategy 2024-2027

Date	Time	Venue
12th February 2024	19:00-20:00	Online (Half Term)
15th March 2024	14:00- 16:00	Online

To book a place please contact: hasservicedevelopment@northyorks.gov.uk or phone 01609 534299.

From Foundation Stage 1

This week we have all enjoyed continuing to explore sea creatures. Miss Bell brough a crab into school and all the children took turns feeling and carefully looking at the crab. The children produced some great observational drawings of crabs and prawns.

We created patterns on polystyrene using different tools and made them into fish. We used with a roller to print fish shapes.

Parent Reminders

Please look out for arrangements for snack in the KIT and coming home with your child. These are changing and need your attention.

Forest school will continue after term. Please make sure your child is wrapped up warm on these days and has suitable outdoor clothing. Forest school days are

• Wednesday mornings and Friday afternoons

Shout outs to...

This week the children have been trying really hard to do great listening on the carpet. The adults have seen lots of children doing great sitting and listening. Well done.

From Foundation Stage 2

This week we were amazed by the orchestra who came to perform for us. We joined in with some dance moves and actions as well as singing! When we return after the holidays, in P.E we will begin gymnastics.

Dates & Messages

P.E Kits and Forest school kits are needed every Monday. These can be left at school for the half term.

There is a bake sale to raise money for school's mental health and wellbeing fund on Friday at 3:15. Please pop down to pick up a treat for a donation if you'd like!

Well done to the following people this week...

Little Bears - Olivia B, William B, Lacey, Rhys

Cheetahs - Aierton, Milo, Susana, Kelera, Maddie.

Tigers - Cody

Year 1 News...

Looking ahead to next week...

This week we have really enjoyed both the orchestra coming in to perform for us and our trip to the Hindu Temple.









Weekly special mentions to... 1E – Teddy, Keenan, Ivy R, Eva 1C – Louie, Isabella, Misum

Things to know...

Important - please note, for next half term, PE will be on Wednesday and Friday. Please practice the common exception word spellings at home - you will shortly receive the Spring 2 words.

This week's stars....

Well done to all pupils in Bluebirds class for working hard and always trying their best! Also, well done to Katelyn

who produced outstanding work all week in all subjects.

Year 2 News...

Next week in Year 2...

In maths, we will be solving problems involving addition and subtraction. In Science, we will consider how animals survive and have a special visit from some special guests from Pets at Home. In English, we will write a report about our alien.



Messages and dates...

P.E Days: Tuesday indoor P.E – red top and black bottoms – with indoor trainers. Thursday outdoor P.E – Warmer P.E clothes and trainers.

What is going on in Year 3?

After half term, we will move on to a range of new topics. In science, we will be looking at scientific enquiry and running various experiments and in ICT we will be looking at media skills. In Maths we will be continuing with money and then moving onto time and in Art we are moving onto drawing and painting skills and looking at Egyptian art. Next term in PE we are doing Box2Bfit and swimming. Shout outs to... 3R Lilly, Freddie 3H Scarlett, Lily, Mia, Mabel

Reminders for Parents

New PE days will be confirmed after the half term

Updates from Year 4

What is happening next week?

After the half term, we will continue to discover lots more about the Romans. English will find us focussing on speech marks and apostrophes. Using pre-printed nets, we will create Roman Forts in DT and in Art, we will begin the process of making shields (please see note below re cardboard). In Geography, we will focus on the growth of London. Science will see us exploring food chains. Prepare yourselves as in Music, the recorders will be coming out! We have recorders in school, but if your child has one at home, they are welcome to bring it in. Everyone should have had a letter about swimming lessons which will take place on Friday mornings – exciting! The children will also have their second PE lesson as usual, and we will confirm the day as soon as the timetable is available to us.

Homework: Spellings - please do encourage your child to make sure they understand the meaning of the words, to write them (look, say, cover, write, check) and use them within a sentence (this could be oral instead of written).

Messages and dates...

March: Hadrian's Wall – the residential visit will be upon us very quickly after the holidays. Do watch out for details re the next meeting for Parents.

*If you have any large boxes/pieces of cardboard at home, please send them our way for our Roman Shield Art project.

This week's stars....

4JH - The class has been working hard in groups to dramatise the legend of Romuls and Remus - well done! Half termly awards are out this week too.... :-) 4EH - 4EH - Rosa and Evie for always doing the right thing. Finley T for amazing times table work and again for excellent help in the hockey lesson.



Year 5 Latest...

Dates and messages....

Please sign up and pay for the trips if you have not yet done so. Thanks to everyone who has! Our first visit is tomorrow - The Local History Walk. Please wear suitable footwear and bring a waterproof coat.

Outdoor PE - Thursday morning Indoor PE - Friday afternoon Reading as often as possible Please check Seesaw for messages and homework activities.

Next week in Year 5

We are completing our assessments for maths this week and really working hard on applying all the things we have been learning. We have also completed some lovely poetry and artwork around the environment and how we see the future.

Pupil Recognition 5A - Martha and Eroni for their great perseverance Tobias and Sameep for brilliant work in RE. 5W - Abigail and Darcy for their great efforts in maths 5S - Charles and Josua for their brilliant PE sessions

All about Year 6

Next week is half term. After that, we are moving onto the relationships between fraction, decimals and percentages and converting between them. In English we will be looking at incorporating speech into our writing to advance the action. We will see the Titanic on its launch day and we will be amazed at the size of it - in 1912 the Titanic was the world's largest man-made structure. Our new Science topic is all about the heart and the circulatory system. Shout outs to ...

6RH:

Skye – completing all her work.

Scarlett - always being and doing her best.

Jack - Excellent listening

6JH:

Liam - working hard and being a brilliant listener Ben, Leone - fantastic Maths work, as usual! Maizie-Leigh - incredible progress with her Arithmetic



Dates and messages....

Children will be given Half Term Homework. Five short maths and reading questions - one to be completed each week day. After school revision clubs will be starting straight away on the Monday when we get back. If you're not sure if your child is in one of the

groups, message the class teacher.