

Le Cateau Keeping In Touch



2023/2024 Edition #13 - 18th January 2024



A message from Mr M...

Despite the very chilly week, it has been a very busy one with several activities taking place inside and outside of school.

It has been a real delight visiting our Year 6 pupils at Marrick Priory and seeing how much they are enjoying their residential experience.

The engagement with music this last week has also been a real highlight and you will hear more later in the KIT about our work with the local community.

Next week sees us reach the half way point of this very short half term but I already know the developments made by children are very positive.

I have also changed the dynamics in the lunch hall this term and I know from my conversations with the children and adults that this small change has been well received. The dynamics of how they are seated has allowed for more flexibility and more purposeful conversations during their lunch break.

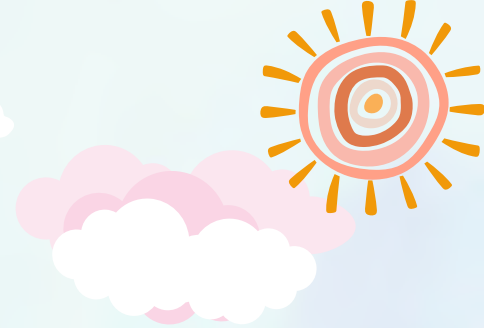
SPRING TERM DATES

Close - Friday 9th February (end of school day)

Open - Monday 19th February

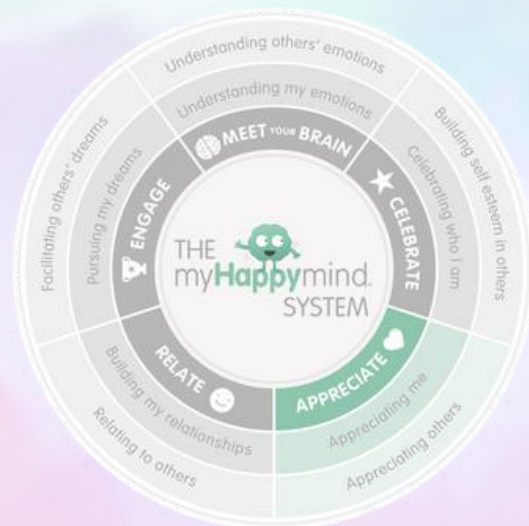
Close - Friday 22nd March (end of school day)





Appreciate

This week we started a new module. This module is the Appreciate module. Children have started learning about appreciation and what that feels like to receive but also to give. We discussed and explored the different ways we can show our appreciation to others.



FS2 Highlight

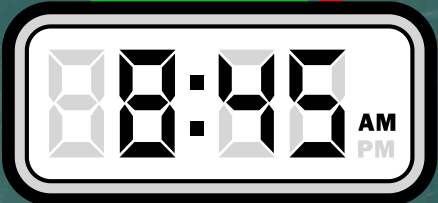


FS2 children were introduced to new vocabulary such as 'appreciation', 'gratitude' and 'thankful'. We discussed what the word 'thankful' meant by listening to a story about Arabella and her friends. We came up with ideas on how we can show that we are thankful to others. The children said that we could give high-5's, hugs, and saying thank you when someone does something kind to/for us. FS2 children then drew pictures of people they were thankful for.

Gratitude



This week's attendance award
goes to...
Year 3 Horns Hearts
with
100%



Daily teaching **STARTS** at 8:45am -
Please ensure your child is in school
BEFORE 8:45am in order to access the
learning!

Health and Wellbeing Board
North Yorkshire



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

Date	Time	Venue
1st February 2024	15:00- 17:00	Northallerton Mencap
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.

Corps of Drums Visit

Today we had some very special visitors - members of the Corps of Drums from the Army School of Ceremonial. They not only gave us an amazing demonstration but, even gave some of the staff and pupils the opportunity to have a go, Mrs Hirst was a natural. Thank you so much for this fantastic experience.





Message from our Health & Safety Ambassadors

Keep us safe - park safely in a designated car park and drive with care around the school site!

FS2, Year 1 and Year 2

We are planning a MOVIE NIGHT for children in Reception and Key Stage 1.

This will take place after school on Wednesday 7th February.

Details and cost will be shared soon.



Learning Plans for each Year group will be sent out via Seesaw at the start of next week. The plans let you know exactly what your child will be learning this term and how you can help support your child. This information is really useful and informs you of the curriculum that your child will be covering.

Dates for the Diary

We will share the overview for the rest of the term in next week's Communication Thursday



Sport Hoodies

Children can wear these for PE and Sport sessions ONLY.

They ARE NOT designed to be worn as a school jumper/cardigan!

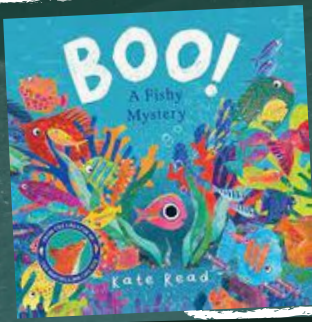
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From Foundation Stage 1



Shout outs to...

We have had lots of new children start nursery since Christmas; all children have been very welcoming and have been looking out for their new friends.

Things you need to know...

Forest school will continue this 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.

This week we will be reading 'Boo- A Fishy mystery' by Kate Read.

You can listen to the book here <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L7fa0MyBhfE&cbrd=1>

We will be exploring colour and colour mixing. We will be creating our own colours using paint and seeing what happens when you mix colours together.

In some of our adult led sessions we will be saying one number for each item when counting: 1,2,3,4,5. The children will be counting and matching objects on a 5 frame.



From Foundation Stage 2



Next week in FS2 we will be reading the book 'Supertato'. We will be investigating why the vegetables are trapped and who trapped them. We will be looking for the evil pea! In PE we will be taking part in Box2bFit to develop gross motor skills and fitness.

Dates & Messages

Please remember that your child needs a full forest school kit and PE kit every Monday. We do not have enough spares to dress all children.

Forest school kit: Wellies, waterproofs/overalls, a warm coat, hat, and gloves.

PE Kit: red t-shirt, black shorts or leggings/joggers.

As part of our upcoming Literacy theme, on Tuesday 30th January we will be having a 'Superhero day'. Your child is welcome to come to school dressed as a superhero. This can be as simple as a cape and/or mask!

Well done to the following people this week...

Well done FS2 for demonstrating your fantastic listening skills this week, especially during our first forest school session!



Year 1 News...

Looking ahead to next week...

In maths next week, we will be learning about representing digits as tens and ones, as well as comparing numbers.

In writing, we will continue to create a non-fiction piece of work on animals. This week we have focused on giraffes! The children loved learning facts about giraffes and writing about them.

We will continue to look at animals in science also, learning about the different ways we can categorise them. In DT, we will learn more about foods, focusing on healthy and unhealthy food types in our diets.



Things to know...

Important - please note, for this half term, outdoor PE is on a Monday and indoor PE is on a Wednesday.

You will soon receive this half term's common exception word spelling list. Please practice these at home.

Weekly special mentions to...

1E - Ralph, Eva, Ivy R, Lainey
1C - Maddie, Imara, Arlo, Valerie

Year 2 News...

This week's stars....

Butterfly of the Week - Bodhi for excellent attitude to learning.

Bluebird of the Week - Uzair for excellent maths work.

Next week in Year 2...

Our new topic this term is 'Beyond the Stars'. We will be looking at different aspects of space for this topic. In maths, we will be continuing to work on our two times tables and using the column method to add two-digit numbers. In English, we will be reading the story, 'Bob, the Man on the Moon.'

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.

Both PE sessions are in the afternoon this term, so children need to bring their PE kit into school.



What is going on in Year 3?



Next week in year three we will be learning about division in maths as well as continuing with our square numbers in our timestables. In PE we will be continuing with gymnastics and netball. In Art next week we will be creating cartouches out of clay and adding our name in hieroglyphics. We will also be inputting the data we selected in ICT onto the computers.

Shout outs to...

3R
Maleka, Georgia

3H
Ariana, Darcey, Rory

Reminders to parents:

PE is on Thursdays and Fridays again this term.

Updates from Year 4



What is happening next week?

The children have enjoyed our start to 'The Romans', discussing what they think about different Roman buildings and photographs of artefacts. We have begun looking at the legend of Romulus and Remus which everyone is very much enjoying - do ask your child if they can recount the legend, or parts of it, to you.

Next week, we will work on writing our own versions of the legend, based on story maps which the children have produced.

In Geography, we will be looking at the UK and its component countries. Science will find us beginning an exploration of human digestion. In RE, we will be exploring rules for living as per different religious texts - with this in mind, please do discuss with your children any rules you have at home and why they are important. In Computing, we will be exploring search engines and in Music, we will work on rhythm, ahead of learning how to play the recorder.

Homework: Spellings will resume on Monday 15th January. In the meantime, children should practice words already given across the Autumn term.

There is a new Battle of the Bands on TTRS - remember to sign in and practice your times tables....

We will send home this term's Homework Grid during the coming week.

Messages and dates...

Parents 'Multiplication Information Meeting' on 18th January.

The Hadrian's Wall Residential Visit is creeping ever closer - please do ensure that you have returned all the relevant paperwork for your child. Please inform your child's teacher if your child takes medication and you need to fill out a medical form. If you have any questions regarding the trip, just ask. We will be holding a final meet up just to confirm the itinerary and answer any questions.

This week's stars....

The children are settling well after the Christmas break - well done Year 4!



Year 5 Latest...



Next week in Year 5

Our new topic is getting underway and we have been thinking more about why it is important to protect our environment for future generations.

We We have been exploring what happens to our rubbish and how we can reduce waste.

What an incredible experience we had with the British Army Band Catterick! We were lucky enough to experience some fabulous music and instruments up close!

Exciting things are happening for Michael in our class novel so be sure to check in with where he is now! Part of our history and geography work is centred on the railways and how they have changed over time. Can you find out anything about the local railways?

Dates and messages...

29th January NSPCC workshops. Please lookout for the detailed letter from the office

We have lots of exciting visits coming up this term - Catterick Racecourse, Shildon Railway Museum and Beamish! A letter with details will be on its way to you soon

Shout outs to...

5W - Raivo and Charlie for fantastic work with the ukulele
5A - Evie and Luisa for their commitment with reading
5S - Junior for his incredible fact file

All about Year 6

The year 6 children who were in school have had an amazing time creating recipes and making their own recipe books, and then brought their creations to life in the school kitchen



We have been on our residential to Marrick Priory, the children have all been amazing, we will all need a well deserved rest this weekend.



Shout outs to...

All of the children who have given it 110% this week with all of the activities