



# KEEPING IN TOUCH



## Message from Mr M...

Well it has been a rather fresh one this week and looks set to continue into next week. As a reminder, if we do have issues with the weather that require us to close the school, we will notify you via Arbor, email, Seesaw and on our Social Media platforms. Closing the school is always a last resort!

My key message across school this week is to 'SLOW DOWN'. We are seeing too much 'flying around' and pupils being in a rush in all that they do.

Please support this message with your children. Taking the time and care in what they is vitally important.



## Children in Need

What a blast we had!!!

All the children across school enjoyed a lunchtime DISCO party. The children sang, danced and had the best time!

Thank you for supporting Children In Need with your donations! A truly outstanding amount of **£621.88 raised!**



## North Yorkshire Council - School Admission Number (PAN) Consultation

The Local authority, as the school admissions authority, has asked us to share with parents and carers a notice regarding the consultation on the admission numbers for schools.

This consultation is available to view on the website at [Proposed school admission arrangements 2026-2027 | North Yorkshire Council](https://www.northyorkshire.gov.uk/consultation) and comments may be submitted via the following link

<https://online1.snapsurveys.com/rs8dl5>

## GOODBYE

We are sad to announce the departure of our amazing school cook - Mrs Doak!

The exact date is yet to be confirmed BUT she will be in school to make over 500 Christmas Lunches in December!

We hope it is a temporary measure as Mrs Doak will be taking over the planning of the school menu for the entire County for the next year. This is an exciting opportunity and something she will be amazing at.

Once we know the new arrangements, I will let you know.

# Primary Teaching Discovery Day

"We're opening our doors to prospective Red Kite trainees on Tuesday 3rd December, so that they can see a typical day in a primary school first-hand. If you know anyone who is keen to start teaching primary, then this would be a fantastic opportunity to learn more about what it involves and how the Red Kite course is delivered. There will also be tips for completing the teacher training application form from the Red Kite team. To sign up visit [Red Kite Teacher Training - Primary Teaching Discovery Day](https://www.redkiteteachertraining.co.uk)



## Congratulations!



We are delighted to announce the safe arrival of Baby Horn!

Mr and Mrs Horn welcomed a baby girl into the world at the start of the month and all are doing really well.

We know many of you have passed on your congratulations and well wishes.



## Safety Around School



During this week's whole school assembly, Mr M talked to the pupils about Road Safety, being careful when walking to and from school and being aware of 'Stranger Danger'. Given the dark mornings and evenings, we need everyone to be extra vigilant.

Disappointingly, we are still receiving numerous messages about **dangerous and inconsiderate driving** in the main car parks, people blocking the roads as they try and get as close to school as possible as well as people not being aware of who or what is around them.

**Please act responsibly before we have a serious accident!**

## Crucial Crew

Year 6 recently joined hundreds of children from across North Yorkshire at the annual Crucial Crew event delivered by North Yorkshire Police and different partners. A series of workshops were delivered covering vital personal safety and behaviour topics such as road safety, internet safety, water safety and how to make an emergency call, and much, much more.

This event is a vital part of our curriculum and teaches the children about key topics.

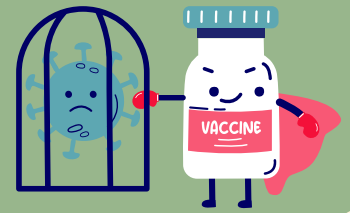


## Flu Vaccinations

We know many of you have signed your child up for the Flu Vaccination via the NHS.

The Flu Vaccination Team will be in school on **MONDAY** to administer these. We have the list of those signed up and will make sure they receive it.

If you have missed the sign up, the team are unable to provide the vaccination on Monday but will be offering drop in clinics over the coming weeks.



## Marrick Priory...here we come!

Next week sees a large number of our Year 6 pupils heading to Marrick Priory for a week long Outdoor and Adventurous Activity week. They will have an actioned packed week of climbing, archery, rafting, abseiling plus many other events.

We know they will have a brilliant week and will return with many memories.

For those Year 6 pupils staying in school, they have also got an actioned packed week with Mrs Biggins involving craft making, cooking and plenty of fun!



# LE CATEAU CHRISTMAS FAIR



STAFF CAR PARK  
29 NOVEMBER 2024

3:15-5PM

FRIENDS OF LE CATEAU ARE RAISING FUNDS FOR NEW  
OUTDOOR PLAY EQUIPMENT FOR THE WHOLE SCHOOL

CHOCOLATE TOMBOLA - HAMPER RAFFLE  
GLITTER TATTOOS - GAMES - POCKET MONEY STALL  
FIJIAN AND NEPALESE FOOD STALL - CAKES - HOT DRINKS  
& SO MUCH MORE!

PRICES RANGE FROM 20P - £3  
CASH ONLY

# CHRISTMAS FAIR

FRIDAY 29TH NOVEMBER 2024

3.15-5PM

COME AND JOIN US AND HELP US TO RAISE  
MONEY TO IMPROVE OUTDOOR PLAY EQUIPMENT  
FOR ALL YEAR GROUPS

LOTS OF FUN STALLS INCLUDING:

- THE LE CATEAU CAFE SELLING HOT DRINKS,  
CAKES AND HOTDOGS
- GAMES TO PLAY
- HAMPER RAFFLE
- LIGHT UP POCKET MONEY STALL  
AND MANY MANY MORE!

PRICES RANGE FROM 20P TO £3 (CASH ONLY)

Friends of Le Cateau  
**NEED YOUR HELP**



Your time  
Your skills  
Your enthusiasm  
Your suggestions

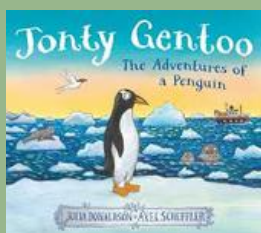
Contact Mrs Amber Grant - Chair of FOLC  
[a.grant@le-cateau.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:a.grant@le-cateau.n-yorks.sch.uk)

## FS1 & 2 Year Olds



FS1 will be continuing to enjoy 'Jonty Gentoo' and will be creating a wintry landscape that is just right for penguins and polar bears.

Look out for delicious edible snowballs and polar bear footprints.



[Play a penguin matching game here](https://numboodles.com/play/penguin-match-game/)

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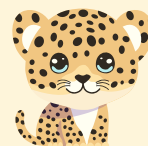
The Caterpillars will be reading 'What Ladybird heard at Christmas' by Julia Donaldson

They will be creating sparkly spiders webs and looking for ladybirds.



[You can watch the story here](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2l_gdXby16w)  
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The Christmas fair is coming next week and we are looking for donations for our Christmas hamper. This year the EYFS theme will be rainbows and sparkles. Any donations would be fantastic, items like chocolate, toiletries, games make great hamper items.



## FS2 Bear, Cheetahs & Hippos

Next week in FS2, we will be using the stage in the hall to practice our Nativity. We will continue to learn the songs (some of which are really catchy!).

Our maths will be based around positional language, so we will be putting things in, on, under, far away, next to (and more), other things. This includes decorating a Christmas tree! We will continue with The Oliver Jeffers story, 'Lost and Found' and will make maps, create origami boats and think about what we would do if we found a penguin.

Forest School - a special plea: Please ensure that your child has their named waterproofs, wellies and hats/gloves/scarves in school every day and especially for Forest School Friday. Thank you.



## News from the Nest

The children in the nest will be continuing to learn about penguins and where they live. They will be making yummy penguin biscuits and finding out about hot and cold.

You can watch Pingu videos here

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCM88mtSE0zRTn5ae4Ebycuw>





## Year 1/2 Ewes, Chameleons, Rainbow & Bluebirds

Next week in English we will be reading the story of 'Emily Brown and the Elephant Emergency'.

Year One will be sorting the characters and key events into which story they were in. They will also be writing a book review about our new story.

Year Two will be comparing the two stories and identifying similarities and differences using a Venn diagram. They will also be using this to write a comparative piece of text to compare the two stories.

In Maths, Year One will be subtracting a one digit number from a two digit number. They will be subtracting the ones from the ones and adding the tens.

In Maths, Year 2 will be using the column method to add two, two digit numbers without renaming the tens.

### Special Shout Out

1 / 2 C - Khyren

1 / 2 B - Zac

1 / 2 E - All the children for super writing this week.

1 / 2 R - William L







## Year 3 Hedgehogs & Impressive Llamas

Year 3 are really enjoying their Marvellous Monday activities. It has been lovely to start the week with a 'softer' start. They have been able to access play based activities to allow them the opportunity to discuss their weekend with the staff and their friends. Next week, they have requested Minion and mythical creature pictures to colour.



In English we have enjoyed writing a new set of instructions on how to watch a different Stone Age creature. Some lovely sentences with time openers and adverbs!

In Maths we have moved onto column subtraction with 3 digit numbers.



### Well done to...

Albie for trying really hard with column subtraction and reaching his goals.  
Lucas H for his super instruction writing.

### Don't forget

PE kit to be worn on a Monday with uniform in their bags. PE kit to be in their bags on Wednesday.  
Don't forget to bring a coat now it is getting colder.



## Year 4 Butterflies & Tigers



Like the rest of school, Year 4 are really enjoying their **Marvellous Monday** activities. It has been lovely introduction and a great way to start each week. They have been able to access play based activities to have a chance to re-connect with peers and staff after a weekend.

The pupils really enjoyed working together to achieve success with teambuilding skills in PE and are excited to continue with this next week. We will continue with addition and subtraction and we are all excited to complete knowledge organisers for one aspect of WW2 that pupils are particularly interested in.



*Well done!*



### Congratulations...

**Butterfly of the Week** - Lilly for an excellent attitude to learning and fantastic progress with her handwriting.

### Tiger of the Week -

Lewis B for working really hard with his spellings.



### **DON'T FORGET**

PE kit to be brought to school Wednesday and Friday.

Don't forget to bring a coat now it is getting colder.



## Year 5 Adventurers & Wolves



Another fun week in Year 5 has seen us cleaning disgusting, dirty water in our Science lessons, singing songs about Romans in music and learning about the legendary Route 66 in Geography. In Maths we have progressed on to long multiplication using different methods.

**If you have any opportunity to help with the Year 5 hamper for the Xmas Fair next week, our theme is RED, so anything that is red in colour can be brought in beforehand and put in our basket. Your help would be greatly appreciated.**

Shouts out this week go to Jelli from 5A and Freddie 5W for a great start to their new reading project. Mr White has been impressed with the effort and enthusiasm they have put in each day.



## Year 6 Stars, Hawks & Heroes



As it has been Road Safety Week, 6RH delivered assemblies to KS1 and KS2 – Keep safe out there folks, especially on these dark nights!

In maths we have been learning about multiples, factors and prime numbers and we will be moving onto fractions. In English we are focusing on grammar and spellings.

**29th November – Christmas Fair (after school)**

**12th December 3:15pm – year 6 table-top sale -more information to follow.**

**2nd December – Marrick Priory Residential – the bus is arriving at school at 10am for a 10:30 departure-should you wish to wave us off! Children please arrive at normal time for registration and parents to drop off and sign for medication.**



### Shout outs

6JH: Seth and Archie – Good teamwork and perseverance during Computing  
Lucas – being really helpful and thoughtful contributions to class

6RH: Theo – trying hard in all lessons  
Sameep –not giving up and showing perseverance.

Martha – great Artwork and listened and worked on feedback.

6S: Emily and Tyler for their emotional, personal and fantastic letters!  
Gemma and Jamie for in depth explanations and reasoning skills in maths.