



November

Friday 17th November 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

This is quite a long half term – eight weeks –and there is rather a lot going on.

S.O.L.E.

Class 3 visited Masham School to take part in a lesson where they could learn more about S.O.L.E. – Self Organised Learning Experience which is an approach that Masham have used for a while to encourage children to be more independent and self-driven in their learning. It was nice to see friends made at Bewerley Park and to share learning with them. Class 3 and Class 2 have tried this approach back at Hunton and we hope to build on it in the future.

Bikeability

This week, Class 3 had the opportunity to improve their cycling skills and ability to keep safe on the roads. The children worked on their ability to handle their bikes safely in the school playground and then moved onto the local roads to practise signalling and be aware of other vehicles.



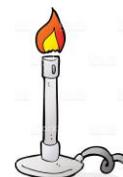
Ripon Cathedral



On Friday 10th November, pupils in Classes 2 and 3 who have parents in the armed services had the chance to take part in a Service of Remembrance at Ripon Cathedral with pupils from over thirty other schools. It was very moving to hear a reading by Jeffries who was in the paras in 1944.

Science

Last week, Class3 visited Richmond School for a science lesson which was organised to help with transition to Y7. Children investigated how much energy is in food and were extremely excited to light up their Bunsen burners!



Reverend Chris

Reverend Chris Lawton is the new vicar at St Patrick's, Patrick Brompton and has kindly agreed that we can have our Carol Service there again this year on the evening of December 20th to which you are all warmly invited to come. All of the children will be expected to attend so please let us know if they will be unable to go on that evening. Reverend Chris is currently leading a monthly assembly at school.

Power Down Pete



After recent Eco team meetings it was agreed that our school should have a visit from Power Down Pete to tell us more about what we can do to save energy. He is visiting school on 17th November and will be working with all of the children over the course of the day.

Music Demonstration



On Monday 20th November we are having a visit from the County Music Service who will demonstrate the playing of brass, string and woodwind instruments with a view to inspiring pupils to start to learn instruments themselves. If you are interested in finding out more about music lessons, we have leaflets in the school entrance or you can look on the North Yorkshire website <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/music-lessons-and-instrument-hire>

Y4 Cluster Morning

On 21st November, Y4 have been invited to take part in a Cluster Activity Morning at Kell Bank CE Primary School. They will be having an art lesson alongside Y4 pupils from other small schools in the Bedale Cluster, some of whom they have already met over the last few years at other schools with different activities.



Swimming Gala



On Wednesday 22nd November, we shall be entering a team for the Bedale Cluster Swimming Gala. It is a good opportunity for our pupils to take part in a competitive event both in individual races and as part of a team.

Whoops-a-Daisy Angel

Class 1 have begun preparations for their production of 'Whoops-a-Daisy Angel' which they will be presenting to families and friends on 13th December. Mrs Saunders will be sharing more information with parents in the near future.



Yours sincerely,

Joanne Grainger

(Headteacher)

Diary Dates:

20 Nov 2017	Demonstration by the County Music Service
21 Nov 2017	Y4 at Kell Bank for Art Morning
22 Nov 2017	Swimming Gala for Bedale Cluster
8 Dec 2017	Flu vaccinations for FS – Y4
11 Dec 2017	Class 3 at Masham School – English links
12 Dec 2017	Dress rehearsal of 'Whoops-a-Daisy Angel' for school to watch
13 Dec 2017	Performance of 'Whoops-a-Daisy Angel' for families and friends at 2.30 and 6.00p.m.
20 Dec 2017	School Carol Service at St. Patrick's, Patrick Brompton 6.30 All welcome
22 Dec 2017	'The Wizard of Oz' Whole school visit to Georgian Theatre, Richmond
22 Dec 2017	Christmas Party afternoon then break up for Christmas 3.15 p.m.
8 Jan 2018	Staff training Day
9 Jan 2018	School reopens after Christmas break
10 Jan 2018	Class 3 to Masham Primary School to begin English topic