



Dear Parents & Carers,

What a fantastic week we have had. After the excitement of last week's Design Technology Days and Topic Launches, this week has been all about getting started with our whole timetable – as I have walked around school I have seen some spectacular learning in English and Maths. It has also been great to get Forest School and P.E started up again. Information on Forest School and P.E days can be found on Class Newsletters, which were sent home last Friday. If you require another copy, please speak to your child's teacher.

The children in Key Stage 2 had a great day on Monday at their Stone Age Workshop ran by Wilderness Outdoor Education. They completed lots of activities such as baking Bannock bread, building shelters and even tasting edible insects! The day has really helped enthuse their history learning for the rest of the term. Your child should have brought home a Seesaw barcode earlier in the week – please do login and await some updates! If you have not received this, please speak to your child's teacher.

A huge thanks to our Pupil Leadership Team (previously School Council) who have done an excellent job of organising events for today's 'Jeans for Genes Day'. I know that the Pupil Leadership Team along with our other pupil groups – the Wellbeing Warriors and Eco Team will continue to look for opportunities to make our school the best place it can be.

Have a great weekend,  
Mr Donaldson

### Reminders

- Please send in or email a photograph of your child with their 'Special People'
- If you have any old white shirts at home, we'd be very grateful!

### School Meals Update

Our new school meals provided by Taylor Shaw are going down a storm! A big thank-you to Miss Whittaker who has joined us to take charge of school meals – she is doing a fantastic job and everyone has full tummies. Please remember, if your child has allergies, they will need to bring a packed lunch until their allergy form is returned.

### Safeguarding

We are always updating our Safeguarding procedures, but the start of the year has meant the update of many policies including the Child Protection Policy. These can be found at <http://huntonarrathorne.n-yorks.sch.uk/key-information/safeguarding/>

If you have any concerns, these are key contacts:  
Mr Donaldson (Designated Safeguarding Lead)  
Mr Cope (Deputy Safeguarding Lead) or  
Mrs Wyatt (Safeguarding Governor)

Thank you for your support.



### Let's Celebrate!



	Robin Class (R/Y1)	Kingfisher Class (Y2)	Partridge Class (Y3/4)	Woodpecker Class (Y5/6)
Above & Beyond (Care – Aspire – Excel)	Faye	Fearne	Anna	Emily
Writer of the Week	Leo	Isabelle	Barnaby	Thomas
Mathematician of the Week	Kai	Evie	Lucas	Jackson
Tidy Classroom	Partridge Class			
Team Point Winners	Middleham			

### Diary Dates

<u>When</u>	<u>What</u>	<u>Who</u>	<u>What next?</u>
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	European Day of Languages	Everyone	Details to follow
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> September	Cross Country – Richmond School	Partridges & W'pecker	Details to follow
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> October	Foxglove Covert Visit	K'fishers & W'peckers	Details to follow
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> October	School Photographer	Everyone	Details to follow
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> October	Open Phonics / Spelling Morning	Parents	Details to follow
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> October	Foxglove Covert Visit	Robins & Partridges	Details to follow
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> & Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	Parents Evenings	Parents	Details to follow
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Pumpkin Parade	Everyone	Parents Informed
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Art Gallery for Parents	Parents	Details to follow
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Skip2bFit	Everyone	Details to follow
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	Robinwood Parents Meeting – 5pm	Y5/6 Parents	Details to follow
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Darlington Hippodrome Pantomime Visit	Everyone	Details to follow

#### Advance Notice – Pantomime Visit

We will be going on a whole-school visit to Darlington Hippodrome in December to see their pantomime, 'Cinderella'. We thought it would be useful to give as much notice as possible to avoid clashing with any plans!

#### P.E & Forest School Reminder

P.E kits should be brought to school on a Monday and kept until a Friday in a drawstring bag. Robin Class and Kingfisher Class require a pair of wellies and a waterproof coat on a Tuesday afternoon for their Forest School session. Please ask your child's class teacher if you have any questions about the above.

#### Around the Classes...

**Robin Class:** Robin Class have had their first PE lesson with Mr Layfield. It was great fun! Reception children have begun to learn their phonics sounds and are busy 'stretching' lots of words. Year 1 have been describing the disaster that Goldilocks left behind in the three bears's cottage.

**Kingfisher Class:** Kingfisher Class have had another great week. We have really got to grips with our Maths and English learning; partitioning lots of numbers in maths and learning about exclamation, question and statement sentences in our writing. We enjoyed our first P.E and Forest School lessons and are looking forward to more exciting learning next week.

**Partridge Class:** In Partridge Class we have had a very busy week! We began with our stone age workshop, before starting our new maths and English topics! We have also loved the start of our science topic, where we planned a healthy balanced meal for a hockey team to help them win their tournament! Another great week in Partridge class, Miss Pole and Mrs Flannigan have been very impressed once again!

**Woodpecker Class:** This week started off with our exciting Stone Age Workshop Day! The kids had fun making fires to cook their own bread and also had a go at building their own shelters. Throughout the rest of the week, we have made a start with our place value work in maths and the children have come up with some wonderful sentences as we have experimented with expanded noun phrases and poetic devices in English. They have worked extremely hard and I have been really impressed with their attitude towards learning this week.

#### Lunches

Why not try one of delicious school lunches provided by our new meals provider, Taylor Shaw?

The menu is too vast (and tasty!) to include on our newsletter but can be found on the school website:

<http://huntonarrathorne.n-yorks.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/Autumn-Menu-HA.pdf>