

# Hunton & Arrathorne Community Primary School

## Newsletter Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Dear Parents & Carers,

It has been such an exciting week in school – from our Art Week, our whole school visit to Yorkshire Sculpture Park, Easter Labyrinth to our Egg Decorating Competition the children have been awesome throughout! 'We are creators' has definitely been key to our week. The behaviour and attitudes of all pupil's during our whole school visit was phenomenal – they worked in mixed age groups from across the school and showed caring and inquisitive attitudes throughout the day.

Many thanks to those of you who joined us for our Easter Labyrinth – it was great to see so many supportive faces and I know that the children enjoyed it too.

It has been a busy term in school which has included many highs (including our wonderful trip to Carlton Lodge) and some difficult times as members of staff and children had time off school due to Covid19. Once again, I must thank the wonderful staff, whose commitment, enthusiasm and care make such a difference every day. Thank you as well to all of you, for your continued support towards our wonderful school.

Have a lovely Easter holiday – school will reopen on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April, where we have lots more exciting things planned.

Mr Donaldson

### Easter Egg Competition

A big thank you to the Pupil Leadership Team for organizing our Decorated Egg Competition! Congratulations to everybody who entered the competition. It was lovely to see lots of creativity and the great array of materials that were used. It was lovely to see everyone at the Eggcellent assembly.

We wish you all a very Happy Easter. Mrs Wyatt & Ms Lynn (Governors)

-		Rec, Y1 & Y2	KS2	
	1 <sup>st</sup> Prize	Olivia	Ava	
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize	Rafe	Jackson	
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize	Noah	George	

<u>Let's Celebrate!</u> Our wonderful award winners this week are:							
	Robin Class (Rec/Y1)	Kingfisher Class (Y2)	Partridge Class (Y3/4)	Woodpecker Class (Y5/6)			
Above & Beyond (Care – Aspire – Excel)	Noah	Evie	Oscar	Emily			
Writer of the Week	Bernard	Веа	Jay	Jackson			
Mathematician of the Week	Kirsty	lzzy	Georgia	Lilly			
Tidy Classroom	Partridge and Robin						
Team Point Winners (Term)	Bolton						
The Golden Spoon Sophie L							

### Caring – Aspiring - Excelling

Diary Dates							
When?	What?	Who?	How?				
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	Start of Summer Term	All	Parents informed				
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Box2bFit	All	Information to follow				
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	Dance Morning @ Richmond	Robin Class	Information to follow				
9 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SAT'S Week	Y6	Parents informed				
17 <sup>th</sup> & 19 <sup>th</sup> May	Parents Evenings	All	Information to follow				
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Dance Morning @ Richmond	Partridge Class	Information to follow				
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Platinum Jubilee Celebrations	All	Information to follow				
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Geography Fieldwork Day	All	Information to follow				
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	Sports Afternoon	All	Information to follow				

#### ECO Team

This term we have been thinking about ways to increase the biodiversity of our school. We plan to introduce wildflower areas, willow arches and mini ponds to attract more wildlife along with the creation of a vegetable garden. Reduce, Reuse and Recycle is another area of focus and we would like to create a piece of art reusing plastic milk bottle lids. We would be very grateful if parents could send any plastic lids into school over the next month. Mrs Wheeler & The Eco Team

### Around the Classes...

**Robin Class:** The children continue to amaze us in Robin Class. We have been learning so much we are all ready for a rest! The children give us so much joy with their enthusiasm to learn and happy smiley faces throughout the day. We have enjoyed being inspired by our artist Andy Goldsworthy and have made individual art pieces and a whole class collaborative nature sculpture with the thanks of the very talented Mrs Wheeler. The children displayed their amazing acting skills during the Easter Labyrinth and not to forget the wonderful whole trip to the Yorkshire Sculpture Park. Head over to Seesaw to see some pictures. Have a wonderful Easter!

**Kingfisher Class:** What a jam-packed week we have had! We have really enjoyed investigating sculpting in our Art and Design lessons; after feeling inspired by our visit to Yorkshire Sculpture Park we have busily created our own natural sculptures and enjoyed finding out more about the skills needed to manipulate clay. Alongside our Art, we have investigated time in our maths lessons – any work you can do over Easter on telling the time to 5 minutes would be very much appreciated! In our English lessons we have completed our narrative writing by using the past tense to describe the events of Good Friday. Good Friday was also the theme for our Easter Labyrinth performance – and what a performance it was!

**Partridge Class:** What a fantastic week to end the term! We have been so busy in Partridge Class this week, we have not stopped! Not only have we been making our own mod roc sculptures in our art lessons, but we also went on a whole school visit to Yorkshire Sculpture Park. We were amazed by the fantastic sculptures and were lucky to see some sculptures by our artist for this art week; Henry Moore. Partridge class were great role models for the younger children, and everyone had a brilliant day. Alongside art week, we have also been rehearsing for our Easter Labyrinth performance- and I am sure you will all agree the children did an outstanding job! I hope you all have an amazing Easter holiday; I can't wait to here about it when we are back to school!

**Woodpecker Class:** What an exciting week we have had to finish off the term! On Tuesday, we had our visit to the Yorkshire Sculpture Park. The children had a great time exploring all off the sculptures on offer and I know all of the members of staff were so impressed with how they encouraged and helped some of the younger children in their groups; they were, as always, a huge credit to our school. Much of this week has been spent preparing for the Easter Labyrinth and the children did an amazing job on Thursday, performing their parts for six groups of adults. It has been an incredibly busy term and the children have worked very hard and have definitely earned their break. Thank you again for the continued support this term and I hope everyone enjoys the holidays!

#### **Safeguarding Reminders**

If you are concerned about the safety or welfare of a child, it is important to remember that safeguarding is everyone's responsibility, however the below information may be useful:

The Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) is Mr. Samuel Donaldson, the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead (DDSL) is Mr. Gavin Cope. The named governor for Safeguarding is Mrs. Louise Wyatt.

Further information, including policies, can be found on our website