



Dear Parents,

Another busy week in school, and one where we welcomed another new face to our school family – Charlie in Year 3. I'm sure she will be made to feel very welcome.

There has been a real buzz around school this week as all children continue with their learning journeys and develop. As a school, we have had a huge focus on vocabulary. Each class has a 'Vocabulary Box' full of special words and terminology and it is great to hear the children using such a wide range of subject-specific words.

Next week looks set to be very busy as we celebrate 'Diversity Week' and Year 1 visit Richmond Castle to complete historical enquiry worked around their History topic, 'Who lives in a castle like this?' We are sure they will have a fantastic time!

Have a great weekend
Mr. Donaldson

Backchat Brass

We are very excited that 'Backchat Brass' are visiting school on Monday 3rd July to offer brass workshops to all children. I'm sure the day will be very exciting – for a sneak peek at their music check out www.backchatbrass.co.uk

A huge thank you to our wonderful PTFA who are able to fund the workshops for us as a result of your generous donations during fundraising events throughout the year.

Dressing Up

Some of the children really enjoy dressing up during breaktimes and our 'dressing up' costumes are becoming a bit worn and tatty. If you have any 'costumes' or even just adult sized interesting clothes / accessories which you'd be able to donate we would be very grateful.

Sun Safety

The weather has been very warm this week and it looks set to continue.

Please help keep the children safe by ensuring they have a sun-hat, sun-cream and a bottle of water as they do spend lots of time outside.

Diversity Week

- Just a reminder that next week we will celebrate 'Diversity Week' in school with diversity themed activities across each day and as part of our assembly / PSHE programme. To launch the week, children are welcome to wear their own bright or rainbow coloured clothes to school on Monday 19th June. We look forward to celebrating how we are all unique and once again, coming together to celebrate that there are 'No Outsiders' in our school!

Let's Celebrate!

This week our teachers have chosen 'anyone from anywhere' for Care-Aspire-Excel!

	Mrs. Dozey	Mrs. Tunmore	Mr. Donaldson	Miss Pole	Mr. Cope
Above & Beyond <i>(Care – Aspire – Excel)</i>	Beatrice E	Kirsty	Grace W	Sam	Henry W
	Woodpecker Class (Y5/6)	Partridge Class (Y3/4)	Kingfisher Class (Y2)	Robin Class (R/Y1)	
Curriculum Award	Anna -Writing	Grace E- Reading	Faye- Writing	Emily B-PSHE	
Aims Award	George- Creator	Amelia - Creator	Poppy-Inquisitive	Henry W- Lifelong reader	
Team Points	Richmond				
Tidy Classroom	Robins- reception				
Golden Spoon	Jay				

Diary Dates

When?	What?	Who?	How?
W/C 19 th June	Diversity Week	All	Information to follow
Tuesday 20 th June	Y1 Visit to Richmond Castle	Y1	Information sent
Wednesday 21 st June	Armed Forces Day	Y2-Y6 Service P's	Information to follow
Tuesday 3 rd July	Backchat Brass Workshops	All	Information to follow
Mon 10 th & Tue 11 th July	Rehearsal Days at Tunstall Village Hall	Y2-Y6	Information to follow
Wednesday 12 th July	Y2-Y6 Performance at Tunstall Village Hall -2pm and 6pm	Y2-Y6	Information to follow
Friday 14 th July	'Let's Learn Moor' Day at Grinton Moor	All	Information to follow
Tuesday 18 th July	Y3/4 Saxophone Concert	Y3/4	See newsletter
Wednesday 19 th July	Sports Afternoon	All	Information to follow
Friday 21 st July	Leavers Assembly – 2.30pm	Y6	Information to follow
Friday 21 st July	Close for Summer Holiday	All	See newsletter
Tuesday 5 th September	Start of Autumn Term	All	See newsletter

Around the Classes...

Robin Class (Reception): This week Robin class have been immersing themselves in all things linked to 'The Tiger Who Came to Tea' - our class book of the week! They have enjoyed writing reviews about what they liked/star ratings for the book and if they'd recommend it! We have some fantastic lifelong readers! In maths we've been super impressed by their work on odd and even this week! We've been thinking about different seasons across the year and how these change- and go in a cycle! Just like our exciting new arrivals that have joined the Robin class, which has sparked so much conversation. We are watching and waiting to see changes over time from our new additions- caterpillars and incubated eggs! The classroom is buzzing with excitement!

Robin Class (Year 1): We have worked our socks off this week with the Phonic Screening Check! It has been a wonderful opportunity for the children to bring all their phonic knowledge together. I am extremely proud of each and every one of them, with their amazing attitudes towards learning! Our History topic 'Who used to live in Richmond Castle?' is well underway and we are excited to get out and visit the castle next week with our pre-planned questions! In Maths we have begun to explore fractions, we understand half and will look at quarters next week. In English we have been using exclamation and question marks in our skill writing.

Kingfisher Class: It has been another spectacular week in Year 2 with the children working their socks off! We have really enjoyed completing some creative writing based on different stimulus and had some super ideas. In Maths we have continued to investigate position and direction by increasing our understanding of turns and directions. We have enjoyed finding out more about 'Sappho' in History – investigating how we know Pompeii was part of the Roman empire. Even with the warm sunshine, Kingfisher Class have remained driven in everything they do!

Partridge Class: This week we have enjoyed delving further into our new history topic, this week focusing on why the Romans almost lost control of Britain. We also started our new science topic, sound, during which we learned all about vibrations! In English we are working on our sci-fi stories, and we have produced some outstanding work so far- all children are really enjoying this new style of writing! In maths we have moved onto learning all about shape, enjoying the warm weather whilst finding and describing shapes in the natural environment. For those who attend swimming lessons, another great session was had by all- it was a welcome relief to enjoy the cool pool water on such a warm day!

Woodpecker Class: The children have loved our writing focus this week, which has been based on a 'spooky' short, animated film. This enthusiasm has really shown as the writing they have produced has been fantastic. In maths, we have been working more practically, developing our protractor skills measuring angles and their accuracy, both in estimating and measuring, has really improved over the week. In History, we have explored reasons why Britain wanted to build an Empire around the world, discovering some of the reasons were more genuine than others! Finally, we have had a rehearsal for our end-of-year-production and, whilst we are in the early stages, the children are already amazing us with their talents but equally their dedication in learning their lines. A warm but brilliant week, well done all!

Safeguarding Reminders

Mr. Sam Donaldson is the Designated Safeguarding Lead.

Mr. Gavin Cope is the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead.

Mrs. Louise Wyatt is the Safeguarding Link Governor.

If you have worries or concerns about a pupil, please don't hesitate to speak to one of the people named above, in confidence.