

Hunton & Arrathorne Community Primary School

Newsletter Friday 23rd June 2023

Dear Parents,

We have thoroughly enjoyed celebrating 'Diversity Week' in school. Diversity, and inequalities, is a key aspect of all we do through our 'change-makers' aim and this week we have come together for whole-school launch and 'No Outsiders' assemblies; investigated news reports in different languages and created diversity webs. The children have been incredible and are definitely 'citizens of the future'. Our Hunton Heroes also had a fantastic time at the Armed Forces Day on Wednesday.

Work is progressing well on rehearsals for the Year 2 - 6 production, 'Olivia' which will be performed on Wednesday 12^{th} July. So many children are already 'off script' and doing well with learning the songs. If your child has lines to learn, please encourage them to keep practising.

We are looking forward to seeing some of you later this afternoon for our 'Big Read' – a great opportunity to share the love of lifelong reading in school.

Have a great weekend, Mr. Donaldson

Sports Afternoon

We are delighted to invite you to our Sports Afternoon on Wednesday 19th July from 1.30pm on the Village Green. Once again, Mr. Layfield will be overseeing the event where children will compete in various events to earn points to see which team will be victorious!

Children may wear their PE kits to school on Wednesday 19th July. We do hope to see lots of you there!

<u>S.R.E</u>

A reminder that full information regarding our Sex & Relationships Education curriculum can be found within the 'PSHE and RSE' section of our website. If you have any questions about the SRE curriculum please don't hesitate to contact Mr. Cope or Mr. Donaldson.

Summer Disco

Don't forget it's our Summer Disco on Thursday straight after school (until 5pm). If you'd like your child to attend please give consent via Parent Pay.

Armed Forces Day

A big well done to our older 'Hunton Heroes' for impeccable behavior during their visit to the Armed Forces Day on Catterick Garrison on Wednesday. It appears that it was a fun-filled day and the members of staff accompanying the children were full of praise for their attitude and behaviour. I am sure they enjoyed the day celebrating being part of the special military community.

Summer Reading Challenge



Libraries across North Yorkshire are gearing up for a busy summer delivering 'Ready Set Read' the Summer Reading Challenge for 2023. Last year over 8,000 children signed up to join in with the Gadgeteers themed challenge and we hope to encourage more children to take part this summer with 'Ready Set Read!'

Our library teams will be contacting their local schools perhaps to visit an assembly or drop off information with you to share but I've also attached some information which I'm hoping you could include in a school newsletter to parents / carers to help us spread the word.

Thanks in anticipation of you help County Lead – Summer Reading Challenge 2023

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Diary Dates			
When?	What?	Who?	How?
Thursday 29 th June	Summer Disco	All	Information sent
Tuesday 3 rd July	Backchat Brass Workshops	All	See newsletter
Wednesday 4 th July	Y6 Sailing Afternoon	Y6	Information sent
Mon 10 th & Tue 11 th July	Rehearsal Days at Tunstall Village Hall	Y2-Y6	Information sent
Wednesday 12 th July	Y2-Y6 Performance at Tunstall Village Hall	Y2-Y6	Information to follow
	-2pm and 6pm		
Friday 14 th July	'Let's Learn Moor' Day at Grinton Moor	Y2-Y4	Information to follow
Tuesday 18 th July	Y3/4 Saxophone Concert	Y3/4	See newsletter
Wednesday 19 th July	Sports Afternoon	All	See newsletter
Friday 21 st July	Leavers Assembly – 2.30pm	Y6	Information sent
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 we have had a whole school focus on 'Diversity' celebrating differences in our school, and around the world! This links hugely to our 'No Outsiders' and we are so proud of how inclusive our Robins are and how we can articulate what makes us, and others unique! We have been doing lots of activities and immersing ourselves in this in provision! Our book of the week this week is 'Toys in Space'. Children have been acting out and making up their own versions of the story and writing lost posters to find the 'lost' toy. In other news, the caterpillars are growing rapidly, and we have noticed they have begun their next stage in the cycle, where they are beginning to form their chrysalis! We are very excited to see the next stage in the life cycle...

Robin Class (Year 1): What a great week we have had! We loved our wet, but fun visit to Richmond Castle, answering our History Big Question. We also discovered why Duke Conan was important, we investigated around the castle grounds, and we were able to be hands on with sources and artefacts. Diversity has played a huge part in our lessons this week. It was great to see all the children in their bright, colourful clothes on Monday as we gathered on the yard as a whole school for assembly. We have enjoyed many stories linked to Diversity and revisited some of our previous No Outsiders texts. A great week all round!

Kingfisher Class: Another week has whizzed by in a flash! This week we have moved onto a new learning journey in our Maths lessons and have begun to investigate mass – learning how to compare mass and measure in grams and kilograms. The children have very much enjoyed learning how to be practical investigators! In our English lessons we have also started a new journey of learning – thinking about how we can persuade the people in charge of countries to protect endangered animals. This ties in brilliantly with our 'change makers' aim. We have also really enjoyed concluding our Geography learning by looking at GIS imagery of Hunton and Kampong Ayer and comparing how the two are different. We've learnt such a lot as geographers over this topic! Have a wonderful weekend after all of your hard work Year 2!

Partridge Class: We started the week coming to school in our own bright colourful clothes to celebrate Diversity Week. On Tuesday, we then created a 'diversity web' thinking about how we are all different, but we all have things in common! Then, we looked at newspaper articles from around the world, thinking about different languages and cultures. We had 'No Outsiders' assembly as a whole school, which allowed us all to come together to celebrate diversity. We finished the week by creating a collaborative piece of artwork, demonstrating how we are all unique, but all equal!

Woodpecker Class: This week we have celebrated Diversity Week with the children exploring the difference between 'diversity' and 'uniformity'; as always, they have contributed brilliantly to our discussions with some thoughtful and mature comments. In maths, we have continued our work with angles whilst in English we have been working on an interview genre of writing based on the music video Titanium which really engaged the children. In History, we have considered what happened to the British Empire, exploring why countries became independent whilst in Science we continued our learning about Space. We are looking forward to ending the week with our Big Read to round off yet another great week in Year 5 and 6.

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.