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Hunton & Arrathorne Community Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 15th March 2024

Dear Parents,

It has been a fantastic week in school with so much to celebrate. This week has seen some of our Year 5 and 6 children take part in Cycling Road Safety workshop on Tuesday – this was a really important event which links to our contextual safeguarding issues and I know the children got a lot from the event. Key Stage 2 also enjoyed their day in York carrying our historical enquiries yesterday – their behaviour and attitudes were excellent. A special mention must also go to the four children to competed in the Cross Country County Final on Tuesday – all of the children were amazing – a special mention must go to Holly (overall 2nd place), Fiona (overall 4th place), Phoebe (13th place) and Grace D who really excelled.

It was wonderful to see so many of you at our Spring Concert on Wednesday morning – the children performed brilliantly and it was great to all get together. Equally, I know the teachers really appreciated getting to share the children's progress at the Parent Consultations on Wednesday – I know Mr. Cope is looking forward to meeting the Year 2 parents after the Easter holiday.

Next week we will hold our next Art Week (it doesn't seem two minutes since our last one!), prepare for the Easter Labyrinth and hold our non-uniform day on Monday in exchange for an Easter egg. There's a lot to look forward to!

PTFA Coffee Morning

Please do join the PTFA at the Coffee Morning at Newton-Le-Willows Village Hall between 10.00-12.00 tomorrow. Many thanks to those of you who have provided cakes. All profits go towards exciting future events for the children at Hunton & Arrathorne School.

Governors' Corner

It was a real treat to join everyone for the Spring Concert on Wednesday. The weather was kind & despite a bit of a breeze, pupils sang out beautifully and remained very focused - thank you for an inspiring start to the day! I then saw some super work on speedy sounds, some great reading of tricky words & impressive writing in Robin Class - well done everyone! — Beverly Smeeton, Governor

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.

Let's Celebrate!

This week there has been lots of caring, aspiring and excelling! See who has been rewarded below.

	Woodpecker Class	Partridge Class	Kingfisher Class	Robin Class	
	(Y5/6)	(Y3/4)	(Y2)	(R/Y1)	
Care – Aspire	Fiona- Excelling	Grace E- Excelling	Henry S-Caring	Jack- Excelling	
- Excel					
Curriculum	Ronnie-Science	Grace S- History	Max C	Emily-History	
Award					
Aims	Cate-Inquisitive	River-Risk taker	Ruby-Mai- Creator	Margot- Risk taker	
Award					
Team Points	Middleham				
Tidy	Robins Year 1				
Classroom					
Golden	Emily W & Matilda				
Spoon					
King or					
Queen	Theo				

Diary Dates					
When?	What?	Who?	How?		
Saturday 16 th March	PTFA Coffee Morning	All	See newsletter		
Monday 18 th March	Non-Uniform: Easter Egg Donations	All	Information sent		
Monday 18 th March	Easter Craft Night	All	Information sent		
Thursday 21 st March	Easter Labyrinth	All	Information sent		
Friday 22 nd March	Egg Decorating Competition / End of Term	All	Information sent		
Monday 8 th April	School Closed – CPD Day	All	See newsletter		
Tuesday 9 th April	School Opens – Summer Term	All	See newsletter		
Wednesday 10 th April	Box2bFit	All	See newsletter		
Monday 15 th April	KS2 Swimming Begins	All	Information sent		
Thursday 25 th April	KS1 Cricket Coaching	KS1	See newsletter		
W/C Monday 13 th May	KS2 SATS Week	Y6	See newsletter		
Friday 17 th May	British Values Day	All	Information to follow		
Monday 3 rd June	Y5/6 'Speak Out Stay Safe' Workshop	Y5/6	Information to follow		
Thursday 6 th June	Y1 Richmond Castle Visit	Y1	Information to follow		
Wednesday 12 th June	Sports Afternoon	All	Information to follow		
Monday 1 st July	Careers Day	All	Information to follow		
Wednesday 10 th July	End of Year Production – 2pm and 5pm	Y2-6	Information to follow		
Friday 12 th July	End of Year Reports	All	See newsletter		
Friday 19 th July	Leavers Assembly – 2.30pm	Y6	Information to follow		
Friday 19 th July	End of Term	All	See newsletter		

Around the Classes...

Robin Class (Reception): This week we have enjoyed our key texts 'We're Going on an Egg Hunt' which prompted us to make our own eggs, and follow a number egg hunt! We also enjoyed 'The Odd Egg' in Drawing Club - creating our own drawings of what might be inside the egg! We have also explored doubles in maths, created some Easter nest cakes and thought about how to care for our world, including recycling and reusing and sorting materials! We hope you enjoyed our performance in the Spring Concert - the children worked really hard and did amazingly considering the daunting prospect of an audience! In Phonics, the children have been excelling and working hard to make their writing '1% better every day', with a great 'can do' attitude and perseverance. Well done Reception!

Robin Class (Year 1): We have been very extremely busy practicing for the wonderful Spring concert over time and we are very proud of the children's performance of 'Spring Chicken' on Wednesday! We have continued to explore why there were no smart toys in the 1960s and shared a discussion session with someone special born in the 1960s. We each wrote a short narrative, creating our own endings of 'The Three Little Pigs' story. We had so much fun practicing barrel rolls and straight rolls in PE; we even added a lovely straight position finish to our sequence. The children enjoyed finishing the week off supporting Comic Relief! A well-deserved weekend after a very busy week - well done everyone.

Kingfisher Class: Kingfisher Class have had a fantastic week this week and really impressed us with their hard-working attitude – Mr Cope will be very impressed. We have learnt about sharing and grouping in Maths, as well as consolidating our multiplication and division skills. In History, we have continued to investigate how animals were used in World War 1. We have also enjoyed practising for our Easter Labyrinth performance, which will focus on Good Friday – see if you can learn your lines over the weekend! We are looking forward to our Art Week next week and bringing all of our spring term learning to an end.

Partridge Class: Partridge class have had another fantastic week with an incredibly exciting trip to York. The children were really inquisitive when we explored the Jorvik Centre and Dig. They loved travelling back in time and being able to see, hear and smell what life would have been like in York in the Viking time. Then becoming archaeologists at Dig by excavating different sites from across history such as a medieval churchyard and a Roman barracks. In English, we have been looking at persuasive leaflets. At the beginning of the week, we looked at a 'Visit York' leaflet and identified the features of a leaflet. On Friday, we created our own leaflets to persuade people to visit the Jorvik Centre. In Maths, we continue to work on Fractions with a focus on finding a quantity of an amount. In Science, we carried out a fair test to see which magnet was the strongest. Also, a special mention to Holly who represented school at the cross country final and came 2nd. What a fabulous achievement!

Woodpecker Class: It has been a very exciting week this week for the Woodpeckers. On Tuesday, the children impressed us with their bike ability skills and learned how to keep their selves and safe when riding a bike. I was so proud of Woodpeckers this week, they all tried exceptionally hard in their Easter performance and their hard work has paid off. We had so much fun in York on our guided tour and visit to the train station. The children loved it!