



Dear Parents,

Another Friday, and only one more week until half-term! This week the Year 6 children deserve a special mention for their fantastic attitudes throughout the week – they took their end of KS2 assessments in their stride and I know they felt supported by their adults at home – so thank you.

We've welcomed back lambs into the Nectar Café this week and all children have enjoyed visiting them, with Wraparound Club and Robin Class taking the lead in feeding, watering and helping them to keep safe!

As next week is the final week before half term we once again are planning an exciting 'Art Week' with many great areas to focus on – from photography in Year 6 to sculpture in Year 1! There will be lots to enjoy. We also have some exciting events for the children to take part in in their house teams next week, beginning with our Big Read (children only!) on Monday and an intra-school / team rounders competition for Key Stage 2 on Thursday. That's not to mention the fundraising activities our pupils have planned (more details of these can be found below!)

Have a great weekend,
Mr. Donaldson and Mr. Cope

Governors' Corner

It has been a pleasure to come into school yesterday and today to observe the Y6 during their SAT's. They have all worked hard and I was impressed with their positive attitudes and behaviour at all times during the sessions. They are a credit to the school and should be very proud of themselves. *Andrea Peacock – Chair of Governors*

Hunton Bash!

This Saturday at Hunton Village Green will be the annual 'Hunton Bash'. Do pop along for welly wanging, tug-of-war, the duck race and a bouncy castle! Lots of food will also be available!

Lots of fun guaranteed!

Coffee Morning

The PTFA will be holding a Coffee Morning on Wednesday 22nd May between 10.00-12 noon. There will be lots of yummy things to eat – but additional cakes and raffle prizes are very welcome!

Please do pop along and support our school – we will also have some Year 6 children taking orders! It's not one to be missed!

Pop-Up Juice Stall

This term's 'House Captains' have written to you with information about their pop-up 'Mocktail / Juice Stall' which will be open for business on Thursday 23rd May at morning breaktime. Children can buy a refreshing drink for 50p! All donations will be split between school and our termly charity.

Ice-Lolly Friday

'Ice Lolly Friday' will return at 3.15pm next Friday. A selection of ice-lollies will be available from the front of school as a treat to kick off the weekend!

Let's Celebrate!

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

	Woodpecker Class (Y5/6)	Partridge Class (Y3/4)	Kingfisher Class (Y2)	Robin Class (R/Y1)
Care – Aspire - Excel	All of Year 6- Aspiring	Rafe-Excelling	Livy-Excelling	Margot-Excelling
Curriculum Award	Anna- Reading	Evie F- French	Max- PSHE	Tilly- Maths
Aims Award	Emily- Change maker	<i>Grace E- Risk Taker</i>	<i>Kirsty-Inquisitive</i>	Evie- Risk Taker
Team Points	Bolton			
Tidy Classroom	Partridges			
Golden Spoon	Pippa			
King or Queen	Amelia			

Diary Dates

When?	What?	Who?	How?
Thursday 23 rd May	Team Captain Fundraising	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
Monday 10 th June	Partridge Class Assembly @ 9am	Y3/4	See newsletter
Wednesday 12 th June	KS1 Fun Run @ Bedale High	Y1/2	Information to follow
Wednesday 12 th June	Sports Afternoon	All	Information to follow
Friday 14 th June	Y3/4 Dance Workshop @ The Station	Y3/4	Information to follow
Wednesday 19 th June	Armed Forces Day	HH	Information to follow
Thursday 20 th June	Summer Film Night	All	Information to follow
Monday 24 th June	Robin Class Assembly @ 9am	R/Y1	See newsletter
Monday 1 st July	Careers Day	All	Information to follow
Monday 1 st July	Woodpecker Class Assembly @9am	Y5/6	See newsletter
Tuesday 2 nd July	Transition Afternoon	All	Information to follow
Wednesday 10 th July	'The Jungle Book' 2pm and 5pm	Y2-6	Information to follow
Friday 12 th July	End of Year Reports	All	See newsletter
Wednesday 17 th July	Y3/4 Skipping Festival @ Richmond School	Y3/4	Information to follow
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): In our British Values Week, we have thought about how we in Reception follow these continuously week after week. We talked about how we are all different (but all equal), how our opinions matter (for example by our votes in story time), how we make independent choices at lunch and snack times and how we follow golden rules to be 'kind, safe and driven' in Hunton and Arrathorne School. In Drawing Club, we have enjoyed focusing on 'Superworm'. This has linked well into our maths focus on measurement, length in particular! We have also been making our own Superworm playdoh characters....thinking about longest/shortest and comparing. This week we have enjoyed writing postcards (keep an eye on your letterbox) from our time at the beach! This has been a great writing hook for the children and their independent writing - we hope you are as proud of them as we are! They have worked very hard this half term in developing their writing skills!

Robin Class (Year 1): Last week was filled with awe and wonder with the chicks pipping and zipping, we watched them grow daily, taking great care, feeding them, and showing them love and attention. However, unfortunately, they had to leave us before they got too big! But we had another wonderful week though; we got to meet three new additions to school - the lambs! They have joined us in the Nectar Cafe and will stay with us for the next couple of weeks. Another wonderful opportunity for us to take good care of them and to learn and understand the natural world around us, hands-on! Our story of the week has been 'What's Hiding at the Seaside?' We have been learning lots of interesting facts in our non-fiction book, which has led to further research, using other books and I Pads to find out more information! Our Geography vocabulary is really building and we can explain the meaning of words such as 'pier', 'rockpool' and 'seaside' without any hesitation!

Kingfisher Class: The Kingfishers have spent some time with the Year 1 children this week as our classroom has been used for the Y6 SATs and Mrs. Tunmore has been really impressed with some of their poetry work in English. In preparation for British Values Day, each day has been dedicated to one of the separate values, which has given the children to opportunity to learn more about them through a range of activities. To add to the excitement, the lambs have spent the majority of the week watching through the Year 1 classroom door so they must have been impressed with what they saw! In Science, we continue to monitor the growth of our plants for our experiment whilst in Geography; we have been comparing modes of transport used here in North Yorkshire with Kampong Ayer. Back to a little bit of normality next week but the children have coped brilliantly throughout.

Partridge Class: We have had a fantastic week in Partridge class. The Year 5 children have been working alongside us on a morning this week and it has been a pleasure to have them in our class. We have celebrated the British Values this week and have created our own board game with our own rules. In English, we have looked at the poem 'The Sound Collector' by Roger McGough and then used this as an inspiration to write our own poem. In Geography, we finish our unit of work by looking at why the city of Arica is the driest inhabited place on earth - ask your children why it is the driest!

Woodpecker Class: What a week! Our Year 6 children have truly shone throughout the week as they have completed their end of Key Stage 2 assessments. Their driven attitudes and determination were impressive across each test and I know they all tried their best – we are incredibly proud of them all. The Year 5 children have worked hard with Mrs. Hollocks this week investigating more about the British Values and writing poetry. In PE the children's work on rock'n'roll in Dance is coming along nicely and we're looking forward to seeing the finished choreography next week! Have a great weekend.

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.