



Dear Parents,

Happy Half Term! We have had an exciting last week in school as we celebrate our final 'Art Week' of half term. There has been photography, investigation into human form, craft and interpretation of famous pieces of art. It was great to spend some time in each classroom on Wednesday morning watching how their knowledge in Art and Design progresses throughout the school.

Our pupils have been real change-makers this week as they have organised fundraising events such as the Juice Stall for Oxfam and 'Ice Lolly Friday'. Several of our Year 6 children represented our school at the PTFA Coffee Morning and it was lovely to hear so many positive comments about their politeness and diligence as they worked front-of-house and behind the scenes!

We return to school on Monday 3rd June. The second half of the summer term is always jam-packed with events such as our Sports Afternoon and end of year production – this year, 'The Jungle Book'. We also begin our transition events as our Year 6 children visit their respective secondary schools and Mrs. Doz y visits our new Reception starters in their preschool settings. All children will also have the opportunity to spend time with their new teachers in late June.

Have a brilliant half term.
Mr. Donaldson and Mr. Cope

Sports Afternoon

A separate letter has been sent home today with further information about our Sports Afternoon which will take place on Wednesday 12th June. Children may wear their PE kits to school on this day, and parents and friends are welcome to join us on the village green from 1.30pm. We hope to see many of you there!

Governors' Corner

It was a real treat to join pupils & staff last Friday for the British Values & Celebration Assembly. Pupils spoke out confidently about the work they had done during the week, showing good knowledge of what British Values are & how they are part of our lives.

I also really enjoyed seeing the delight & pride with which pupils received the weekly awards. Well done everyone!

Beverly Smeeton
EYFS Governor

Coffee Morning

A big thank you on behalf of the PTFA to all of those who attended the Coffee Morning on Wednesday, and for the donations of raffle prizes. All of the proceeds raised go straight back to Hunton & Arrathorne School to provide exciting experiences for the children! Our Y6 helpers were also great ambassadors!

Partridge Class Assembly

Reminder: Partridge Class will hold their Class Assembly on Monday 10th June at 9.00am. Parents and friends are welcome to join us!

Let's Celebrate!

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

	Mr Donaldson	Mr Cope	Mrs Walker	Mrs Hollocks	Mrs Tunmore
Care – Aspire - Excel	Grace S	Bertie	William R	Edward	Emmy
	Woodpecker	Partridge	Kingfisher	Robin	
Curriculum Award	Pip- PE	Noah- Art	Rose-Art	James-Phonics	
Aims Award	Max –Happy & Healthy	Rosa- Happy & Healthy	Leo -Happy & Healthy	Evie- Risk Taker	
Team Points	Richmond				
Tidy Classroom	Woodpecker				
Golden Spoon	Thomas R				
King or Queen	Cate				

Diary Dates

When?	What?	Who?	How?
Monday 3 rd June	Return to School	All	See newsletter
Thursday 6 th June	Y1 Richmond Castle Visit	Y1	Information sent
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 sent
Friday 14 th June	Y3/4 Dance Workshop @ The Station	Y3/4	Information to follow
Friday 14 th June	Y5/6 'Speak Out Stay Safe' Workshop	Y5/6	Information sent
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): This week, the children have absolutely blown us away with their amazing phonics knowledge. They have been pushing themselves with their independent writing where their confidence is soaring! We have enjoyed exploring the author and artist 'Eric Carle' this week and creating art inspired by him using different textures. Following on from this in drawing club, our focused text has been 'The Hungry Caterpillar'. We have been learning lots of information from our non-fiction text 'Who's hiding at the seaside?' exploring floating and sinking and map keys creating our own maps for the Hungry Caterpillar. Harry Potter has influenced lots of other role-play this week, including making potions, spells, wands and cloaks! We have also enjoyed making various trailers for tractors following interests such as ploughs and mowers with blocks to attach onto our small world tractors, fantastic imagination and critical thinking.

Robin Class (Year 1): We started the week off with the Big Read in our House Teams; it was a lovely experience sharing books with our friends and family members. Maths has seen us explore true or false challenges; we have risen to this challenge and answered like a mathematician. We have also been very busy completing some phonic assessments; their attitude has wowed me all week. Towards the end of the week, we enjoyed a mocktail from our 'Juice Stall,' as part of our School Aims to be 'Change Makers!' This was an excellent way to fundraise for Oxfam. Art week has been awesome! We have fulfilled some fantastic landscape creations, using different media. We loved linking the artwork to our beach theme! Have a wonderful half term everyone!

Kingfisher Class: The children have most certainly been 'Creators' this week as they have worked hard to produce some brilliant artwork during our final 'Art Week' of the year. Our theme was 'Human Form' and they have enjoyed applying a range of skills, particularly during the skulls lesson! In other lessons, we have completed our Geography unit, comparing the water-village of Kampong Ayer to our own environment, comparing a range of areas such as weather, transport and schools. The children are incredibly confident with some of our key vocabulary including Equator, Northern & Southern Hemispheres and Tropical, Polar & Temperate Climate zones – if you have a map, I am sure they will be able to point them all out! The Kingfishers have had another great half term and I can't believe the next will be their final one before moving onto Year 3!

Partridge Class: Partridge class have had a lovely Art Week. Our theme has been 'every picture tells a story.' We have looked at a range of famous paintings from David Hockney to Edward Hopper. We have recreated scenes and created abstract art to represent our feelings. In maths, we have been looking at analogue and digital clocks and telling the time using 24 hours. On Thursday, we were happy and healthy as we enjoyed a rounders competition with all of KS2. We have also finished our class novel, 'Paddington Bear,' this week, which the children have thoroughly enjoyed.

Woodpecker Class: We have had a brilliant final week of the first half of the summer term. We've all thoroughly enjoyed our Art Week, which has had a focus on Photography. We have investigated photomontages, truisms and portraiture through photographs – we definitely have some budding photographers in Woodpecker Class! We also all have 'jungle fever' as we have auditioned and begun rehearsals for our end of year production, 'The Jungle Book'. We always enjoy our annual showcase and this year looks set to be just as spectacular! It would be great if children could begin to learn their lines over the half-term break. This week we have also concluded our story for this half term, 'Holes' by Louis Sachar. It has had us gripped over the past seven weeks and I know has further inspired many of the children in our quest to make them lifelong readers. We hope everyone has a great half-term break!

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.