



# Hunton & Arrathorne Community Primary School

## Newsletter

Friday 20th September 2024

Dear Parents,

It has been a very busy week! Our geography curriculum is full of opportunities for fieldwork, and this week lots of them came to life! Our progressive fieldwork curriculum allowed Year 2/3 to investigate maps of Hunton from the early 1900's and then complete a village walk to compare them to the modern day; Year 4, 5 and 6 visited Aysgarth Falls – Year 4/5 as part of their work on National Parks, and Year 6 on their more in-depth study to answer their investigative question, 'Why are the Yorkshire Dales such a tourist honeypot?'. A great time was had by all! We also welcomed Yorkshire Water into school on Wednesday who engaged the children with some fantastic, interactive workshops.

It was a pleasure to see so many Reception parents at our Phonics Evening on Monday – there are lots more resources available on our website to support your child's phonics journey. Phonics and indeed reading plays a huge part in all we do in school from the youngest to the oldest children in school so getting off to a flying start is massively important so thanks to all who were able to attend.

It has been lovely to see staff and children making the most of the nice weather this week with lots of opportunities for outdoor learning – staff have been having some CPD this week to further our use of the outdoor space available so hopefully many more outdoor learning opportunities to follow!

Mr. Donaldson & Mr. Cope

### Science Visits – Foxglove Covert

Don't forget next week our Science visits to Foxglove Covert will take place on Monday (Year 1 & Year 4/5) and Wednesday (Year 2/3 and Year 6). Children will need a change of outdoor shoes or wellies and a waterproof coat!

### September 2025 Starters

Are you, or is someone you know, looking for a school place for September 2025? We will be holding an Open Morning on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October between 9.30-11.00. Please email [admin@huntonarrathorne.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@huntonarrathorne.n-yorks.sch.uk) to book a place! We look forward to seeing you then.

### Yorkshire Water Workshops

Some independent adjudicators witnessed a random number generator generate a winner for our 200 Square fundraiser. James was the lucky winner of the £25 prize! Thankyou all for taking part.

### Let's Celebrate!

See who has been awarded in Celebration Assembly this week!

	Mrs. Dozēy	Mrs. Tunmore	Mr. Cope	Mrs. Hollocks	Miss Weeks	Mrs. Kawai-Calderhead	Mr. Donaldson
<b>Above &amp; Beyond</b> <i>(Care – Aspire – Excel)</i>	Lottie-Excelling	Bertie-Caring	Edward-Excelling	Emily B-Excelling	Harry-Caring	Fiona-Excelling	Lucas-Excelling
	<b>Robin Class</b> <i>(Rec / Y1)</i>		<b>Kingfisher Class</b> <i>(Y2)</i>		<b>Partridge Class</b> <i>(Y4/5)</i>		<b>Woodpecker Class</b> <i>(Y6)</i>
<b>Curriculum Award</b>	Seb S-Maths	Ralph-Maths	<i>Erin- Maths</i>		<i>Bea- French</i>		<i>Amelia-RE</i>
<b>Aims Award</b>	Mary-Creator	Austin-Inquisitive	<i>Max- Happy &amp; Healthy</i>		<i>Poppy- Happy &amp; Healthy</i>		<i>Thomas- Happy &amp; Healthy</i>
<b>Team Points</b>	Bolton						
<b>Tidy Classroom</b>	Kingfishers						
<b>Golden Spoon</b>	River						
<b>Monarch</b>	Siena						

## Diary Dates

*Please keep checking the dates below as some may change at short notice!*

When?	What?	Who?	How?
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September	Foxglove Covert Visit 1	Y1/4/5	Information sent
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> September	Foxglove Covert Visit 2	Y2/3/6	Information sent
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	European Day of Languages	All	Information to follow
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October	KS2 Cross Country	KS2	Information to follow
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents Evening	All	Information to follow
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	School Photographs (Individual)	All	Information to follow
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	Halloween Film Night	All	Information to follow
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest Festival & Pumpkin Parade – 2.30pm	All	Information to follow
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	School Closes for Half-Term	All	See newsletter
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	School Closed – CPD Day	All	See newsletter
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	School Opens – Autumn 2	All	See newsletter
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	Service of Remembrance – Ripon Cathedral	KS2 HH	Information to follow
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Maths Parent Information Evening – 4.00pm	All	Information to follow
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	‘Big Read’ with Parents – 9.00am	All	Information to follow
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Film Night	All	Information to follow
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	‘Sleeping Beauty’ @ Darlington Hippodrome	All	Information to follow
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Christingle @ St Patrick’s Church – 6pm	All	Information to follow
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	School Closes for Christmas Holiday	All	See newsletter
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	School Closed – CPD Day	All	See newsletter
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January	School Opens – Spring 1	All	See newsletter
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> – Thu 6 <sup>th</sup> February	London Residential	Y5/6	Information sent

### Around the Classes...

**Robin Class (Reception):** This week we have been looking at our key text ‘What if we are all the same!’ deepening our learning of differences and similarities and celebrating them! We have also focused on vocabulary linked to body parts and exploring the first aid box... this has sparked lots of play and a pop-up doctors’ surgery! Yorkshire Water visited us to teach us how to stay safe by open water; the children listened intently and could spot a range of dangers and explain what they could do to ‘be safe’ after the visit! They were very inquisitive finding out more and sharing their knowledge! In provision, we have enjoyed exploring mixing colours and putting on performances in our theatre!

**Robin Class (Year 1):** Another fantastic week in the Robin class! All the children have worked extremely hard, delving deep into place value in Maths, representing objects, both in and outdoors. We are also recognising number names. In English, we have continued with our class text ‘Cave Baby,’ the children were fantastic at sequencing the story using pictures and completing sentences orally. Geography has continued and we have been learning whereabouts in the UK we live and the children loved exploring on ‘Google Earth’. Finally, we had a super time with the visitors from Yorkshire Water, learning all about water safety, we were very inquisitive and loved sharing our own water stories!

**Kingfisher Class:** Kingfisher have had a brilliant week. In English we have been working on our inference skills to decide how Leon is feeling at different points in our story, writing question and statement sentences and learning how to punctuate speech. In Maths, we continue our place value topic where we have been estimating on a number line and finding 1, 10 and 100 more/less than a number. On Wednesday, we enjoyed learning about Water Aid from Yorkshire Water. We were able to think how we could be ‘change makers’ by thinking about how we could save water. We also enjoyed walking around our village on Monday, using a map from 100 years ago to consider how our village had changed.

**Partridge Class:** This week, Partridges have been exploring living things and their habitats in Science, ready for our trip to Foxglove Covert on Monday! The children have created their own classification keys to organise the different animal species we have in our local area. In English, the children have showed off their creative side by writing their own dialogue between the two characters in our focus text. We also enjoyed our trip to Aysgarth Falls, completing lots of activities including sketching and fieldwork.

**Woodpecker Class:** We’ve had a great week in Year 6. We have completed our place value work in Maths, becoming experts at rounding and consolidating our negative number skills. We look forward to applying these in our calculation work over the coming weeks! In English we have created role plays based on our class text, ‘The Invention of Hugo Cabret’ and then used these to plan and write a flashback narrative. In Geography, we investigated topographical features of the UK and really enjoyed our fieldwork visit. We continue to be so impressed with the maturity of our Year 6 pupils and the caring they show towards the younger children in school!

### 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.