



Dear Parents & Carers,

It is definitely feeling like spring has sprung and Easter is not far away. This half-term seems to have gone incredibly quickly, the fact that we are already at the half-way point seems to be baffling everybody which is probably a reflection of how busy school is!

Earlier this week, each class had the opportunity to work with Mark Jobling, a coach from the Yorkshire Cricket Board and there were some fantastic skills on show. Equally, today the Year 5 and 6 children attending their Dance Morning with Charlotte Jacqueline School of Dance at Richmond Station – they were so committed and driven it was a pleasure to watch!

Once again, the children have worked incredibly hard in all curriculum areas. We are very proud of all that they do.

Please remember, we are always here to help. Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Donaldson

Sporting Successes

Last week we reported on the fantastic success of our Y3/4 tennis team who came in 4th place in the cluster competition. The Y5/6 team also played some fantastic matches and also came in 4th place. Mrs. Shanley (who escorted the children) commented on how kind and driven they were through the whole event. Well done to Leo, Bruce, Emily and Nina!

We are also incredibly impressed with Samuel from Year 6 who was part of a team who won at the National Area Eventing Championships in February – where Samuel also won individually. He will now go forward to the next round of the competition early next month – we can't wait to find out how he gets on!

Coffee Morning

Please do remember the PTFA coffee morning at Newton-le-Willows Village Hall – tomorrow, Saturday 19th March, 10am-12pm.

It will be a great occasion to enjoy a catch-up with a coffee and cake as well as raising valued money for school funds.



Let's Celebrate!

	Robin Class (R/Y1)	Kingfisher Class (Y2)	Partridge Class (Y3/4)	Woodpecker Class (Y5/6)
Above & Beyond (Care – Aspire – Excel)	Livy	Isabelle	Phoebe	Nina
Writer of the Week	Abigail	Charlie	Amelia	Coco
Mathematician of the Week	Bernard	Fearne	Emily	Annie
Tidy Classroom	Robin			
Team Point Winners	Richmond			
The Golden Spoon	Ava			

Diary Dates

When?	What?	Who?	How?
Tuesday 23 rd March	KS2 Sports hall Athletics	Some KS2	Information to follow
Tuesday 5 th April	Yorkshire Sculpture Park Visit	All	Information sent
Thursday 7 th April	Easter Labyrinth – Parents Invited	All	Information sent
Friday 8 th April	Easter Egg Competition	All	Information to follow
Friday 8 th April	Break up for Easter Holiday	All	Parents informed
Monday 25 th April	Start of Summer Term	All	Parents informed
Tuesday 3 rd May	Box2bFit	All	Information to follow
Friday 6 th May	Dance Morning @ Richmond	Robin Class	Information to follow
9 th – 12 th May	Year 6 SAT'S Week	Y6	Parents informed
Friday 20 th May	Dance Morning @ Richmond	Partridge Class	Information to follow

Red Nose Day

A big thank you to everyone who joined in and supported our 'Crazy Hair Day' as well as raising money for Comic Relief (just another way we are change-makers!)

We raised an amazing £46.06 and we will send the money over to Comic Relief.

Thank you

Events this term..

Today you should have received separate letters about two exciting events taking place in the final week of term – our whole school visit to Yorkshire Sculpture Park and our very first Easter Labyrinth – we'd very much like to welcome you into school.

Please let us know if you have not received the letters or require another copy.

Around the Classes...

Robin Class: Well, the sun is shining and so are the children. We have had a lovely week and the children are really enjoying taking their learning outside. They have been busy buying things in the shop as they are learning about money in PSHE with Mrs Shanley. They have been building pirate ships and going on adventures using their treasure maps they have made. We have some tadpoles visiting us, very kindly brought in by Mrs Wheeler. It is wonderful to see the children so interested in them, asking questions, talking to their friends, and learning the word 'metamorphosis'; ask your child what it means! Remember to read with your child as often as possible, daily if you can and sign their record books. Thank you.

Kingfisher Class: It has been lovely to have all of the Year 2's back together this week and see some of the phenomenal work they completed last week – it made me very proud. This week we have continued to focus on statistics in maths – we have investigated pictograms and block charts and made our own. In our English lessons, we have begun to investigate recounts. Our audience for this piece of writing is our parents so you should have some super writing winging it's way to you very soon. There were lots of red faces after P.E this week – Mr Layfield really put everyone through a workout in their fitness lessons!

Partridge Class: Partridge Class have been back to their usual routine this week! Our maths work has involved lots of word problems, looking at finding fractions of an amount. We have been challenged with multi step problems and have been focusing on how to break them down to solve them. In our English work we are working towards writing a persuasive leaflet, using our experience at Carlton Lodge to persuade other schools to visit. We have diving deeper into our science work on forces, conducting an experiment to identify which surfaces create the most friction.

Woodpecker Class: This week, Woodpeckers have thoroughly enjoyed writing for suspense in English, exploring different sentence types of vocabulary to help draw the reader in without giving too many clues away! In maths, we have explored 2D and 3D shapes, investigating their properties and using these to work practically with nets. In Science, we have continued our forces work by learning more about air resistance and we have also had some discussions about different forms of 'growth' in line with this year's science week topic. We will end the week with an exciting trip to Richmond Station to enjoy a dance workshop with our crazy Red Nose Day hairstyles!

Safeguarding Reminders

If you are concerned about the safety or welfare of a child, it is important to remember that safeguarding is everyone's responsibility, however the below information may be useful:

The Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) is Mr. Samuel Donaldson, the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead (DDSL) is Mr. Gavin Cope. The named governor for Safeguarding is Mrs. Louise Wyatt.

Further information, including policies, can be found on our website