

Bedale Church of England Primary School Newsletter



Newsletter Date: 17th March 2017

Dates for your Diary

Thurs 23rd March

Cross Country
Finals—Dalby
Forest

23rd-25th March

Y5/6 Residential
Trip to
Edinburgh

Wed 29th March

Spring Concert
6.00—7.00 pm

Tues 4th April

Key Steps
Gymnastics
Competition
Mowbray School

Wed 5th April

Easter Service
St Gregory's
Church: 2.00 pm

Fri 7th April

School Closes for
Easter—3.15 pm

Mon 24th April

School closed
Training Day

Tues 25th April

School re-opens

Dear Parents/Carers

This fortnights newsletter gives me the perfect opportunity to share all our wonderful news.

Poetry Competition

Last week we had our annual poetry competition, with each class performing a poem to the rest of the school. Our children were confident, articulate and very smiley. They clearly enjoyed the event. This event was also an ideal opportunity to use our new staging (Thanks to the Friends Support Group yet again!). Congratulations to our winning classes:

- EYFS/KS1—Mrs Ball/Mrs Pike's Class
- KS2—Miss Hutton's Class

A big thank you to Governors Mr Croft and Mr Harry and MSA Mrs Kendall for helping to judge the events.

Cross County

On Thursday 9th March I accompanied about 50 pupils to the county cross country event, held at Catterick Racecourse. What a successful event! I have never seen such enthusiasm, great camaraderie and excellent behaviour. Some of our pupils did exceptionally well:

- 1st Place—Imogen Pattison (Year 3 girls)
- 5th Place—Archie Butterworth (Year 3 boys)
- 2nd Place—Ellie-May Mullen (Y5 girls)
- 6th Place—Jessica Pattison (Y6 girls)
- 1st Place—Josh Hammett (Y6 boys)
- 8th Place—Liam Draper (Y6 boys)

We also had some of our pupils who did us proud in a different way. Morgan Miller and Luke Christoffersen coming to the aid of one of our pupils who had an asthma attack. And Matthew Lenton and Oliver Smith-Hazelton who went to the aid of a pupil from another school. Thank you boys for your kindness!

Mrs Turnbull, Head Teacher

QUIZ CLUB COMPETITION

Congratulations to our quiz club team:

Y3—Seth Brown

Y4—Libby Loughlin

Y5—Ella-Grace Foster

Y6—Mia Brown



Our team were pipped to the post (on the very last question!) and finished in second place. Thank you to Mr Collins for training them so beautifully.

SPRING MUSIC CONCERT—WEDNESDAY

29TH MARCH 6.00 –7.00 PM

Please come along and support children performing in Bedale Primary School's Spring Concert. All children who learn an instrument have been given an opportunity to show case their talents, including a performance from the singing club. The concert is a relaxed, friendly event with the emphasis on participation and enjoyment for all. Refreshments will be available during the evening at a reasonable price and tickets can be purchased at £2.00. Our two winning classes from our poetry competition will also be performing.



ATTENDANCE

It continues to increase, 96.5% so far this year! We are aiming for 97% plus!



FRIENDS SUPPORT GROUP

I am absolutely delighted to inform you that we are looking at organising a whole school visit to the Yorkshire Sculpture Museum Park in June. This will be funded entirely by our Friends Support Group with money they have raised at discos and film clubs throughout the year. The Friends Support Group is very short of members and are desperate to keep going. If any parent/carers is interested in joining the group please contact Mrs Durham, Mrs Ball or Mrs Turnbull.



Yorkshire Sculpture Park



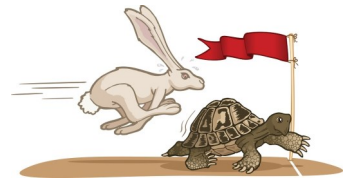
We have been busy thinking about what makes a good friend. The children have produced some writing about their friends in school and have been working hard to help each other.

Reception News

In forest schools we have been exploring Spring and new growth to link in with our up and coming Easter topic.

Year 1/2 News

A huge well done to all of the children in Year 1 and 2 who have been working very hard on their assessments. We are very proud of how well they have done and the progress that they have made. Thank you for all your help and support at home. Please keep up the reading and remember to practise your maths target too.

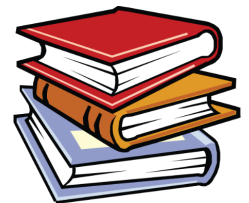


We have been reading the story of 'The Hare and the Tortoise' in class and next week are going to be writing our own versions. Can your child retell the story to you?

Last week we all took part in the poetry recital competition. The children did really well learning all of the different poems by heart. We were also lucky to have a visit from the very funny and inspiring author, Saviour Pirotta. He had some very amusing stories to tell.

Year 3/4 News

This week we have been busy with our assessments.



Year 5/6 News

Well done to Mr Hartley-Haw's class for coming second in last week's poetry competition. After the performances, we sent a "Tweet" out to some of the poets. One of them, Steve Attewell, even messaged back with our very own custom artwork! You can see this in more detail by visiting our school blog via the website.



We've been very busy this week with our half-termly assessments. The children have all worked very hard and shown some amazing improvements in their work since the start of the year. Well done and keep up the hard work in school and at home. Next week some of our pupils will be heading north to Edinburgh. We will be sharing news on this when they return.

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR CHILDREN – March 2017

Over the past week we have done some surveys with all our pupils. We are delighted with the children's responses. I think the information below represents what a happy team we are!

	EYFS	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5/6
I enjoy school	88%	98%	95%	100%	98%	95%
My school helps me to be healthy	92%	98%	88%	100%	94%	95%
I feel safe when I am at school	90%	100%	88%	100%	94%	95%
I learn a lot in lessons	92%	100%	98%	100%	98%	95%
Behaviour is good at my school	98%	98%	88%	98%	75%	87%
Adults in my school care about me	98%	98%	95%	100%	92%	96%
Adults at school are interested in my views	90%	100%	90%	100%	90%	94%
I know how well I am doing at school	96%	100%	88%	94%	92%	88%
Adults explain to me how to improve my work	92%	100%	93%	100%	94%	96%
My school helps me to get ready to move into my next class	96%	100%	65%	100%	85%	82%
The head teacher and senior staff in my school do a good job	98%	100%	100%	100%	96%	99%

