

# Bedale Church of England Primary School Newsletter

## 'Learning & Caring Together'

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Dear Parents & Carers

I hope you all feel back into the routines of school now. It has been wonderful to have some normality. I am thoroughly enjoying leading Collective Worship and having all our children together. Our children's enthusiasm in collective worship has been so impressive. It is lovely to see them so eager to join in. We have been following on the theme of food and are looking forward to a visit from the lady who runs the food bank next week. Details of our Harvest Festival which is on Friday 15th October. Further information will follow on Monday.

### Future events:

We are very excited to announce we are expecting a visit from Rishi Sunak on Thursday 4th November to officially open our new Multi Use Games Area that was installed during the summer. He is also going to talk to some of our pupils: our school council about their current project and our litter busters who do an amazing job for our community.

We are also hoping that Josh Coburn (a former pupil and now a player for Middlesbrough football team) will be also able to join us. I am sure he will inspire some of our younger footballers. The 4th November will be a busy day as we are also going to hold our first school disco that evening. Again, details will be sent out via a separate letter.

Parental consultation evenings will take place on the 18th and 19th October from 3.30—6.30 pm. Details are in a separate letter which will go out on Monday regarding booking appointments.

I am delighted to announce the arrival of Maisie Elizabeth on Saturday 25th September to Mr & Mrs Jobling. Mrs Jobling is doing very well and keeping us updated on Maisie's progress as she arrived somewhat earlier than expected.

At the end of this half term Mrs Hopps will be leaving us. She has decided to have a break from teaching and is going to set up a new business. We wish her well with this new venture and thank her for all her hard work at Bedale Primary School over the years. Mrs Harding will be working full time with the class until Mrs Lucas returns in December from her maternity leave.

Finally, we now have no staggered starts. School begins at 8.55 am. We have some pupils arriving very early (not just the ones coming early as requested for booster sessions). Our gates open at 8.45 am and pupils are then supervised until the bell goes.

Mrs Turnbull, Head Teacher

## SAFEGUARDING

Reminder: Mrs Turnbull is the Designated Safeguarding Lead in school and Mrs Ball is the Deputy Safeguarding Lead. All staff regularly receive updated training and refer to the DfE Keeping children safe in Education document and receive regular updates throughout the year. Everyone is responsible for keeping our pupils safe. More information is available on our school website.

## CLUBS

These are now up and running. We have had some very positive feedback from our children. We still have spaces on our Global Awareness Club on a Tuesday after school for Y3-Y6 pupils.



## SPECIAL MENTION

A special mention to Ava Prisk who finally got to London this week to receive the British Citizen Youth Award in recognition of the money she raised for Myeloma UK by holding a raffle, bric-a-brac and cake stall raising £3,000.00— Well done Ava!

Year 4 are so fortunate to have the opportunity to have weekly gymnastic classes at Bedale High School. It is wonderful to be able to use their facilities and equipment and we are really benefitting from specialist teaching. This week the children have been learning about tension and extension. The children are really



enjoying it too! Georgia said, 'I really like it and I learnt lots of new things' and Ethan stated 'It is really, really good - I have learnt all about tension in gymnastics.' We are looking forward to next week- as Lucas said, 'I can't wait for next week so I can learn lots more balances!'



## LOST PROPERTY

Please please can you ensure that all items of clothing are named. Our lost property box is already overflowing! Thank you.



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Please regularly check our facebook page which reflects all the exciting things going on in our curriculum!

## FLU VACCINATION

Further to the letter that was sent out, if you have not already done so if you would like your child to receive the flu vaccination at school this term you **MUST** register them online.

Go to <https://www.hdft.nhs.uk/fluconsent/>

Enter the School Code **121479** and click **“Find School”**.

**Complete the form** with your child's information and parent/guardian contact information\*.

Click the **green “Submit” button**.

## EYFS News

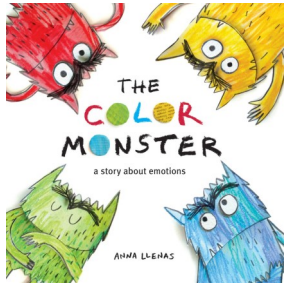
### Super scootering in EYFS

What an exciting afternoon we had on our scooters. All the children had lots of fun and enjoyed showing us their skills. We were really impressed with how well they all did. We thought about how to keep safe when riding our scooter and talked about how a scooter works. Why don't you ask us what we enjoyed the most. Look out on the school Facebook page for the videos of us riding our scooters!

The children have been really enjoying our PE lessons, please ensure their PE kit is in school ready for PE lessons on a Thursday.

Date for the diary: We will be holding a phonics and reading workshop on Thursday 21st October at 2.15 pm followed by our EYFS Harvest festival at 2.45 in school. Further details will follow.

## Year 1 News



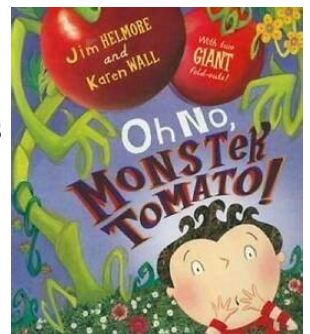
This week Year 1 have had a wonderful week exploring the story Peace at Last by Jill Murphy. We went on a sound walk around school to listen for noises that might keep Mr Bear awake. The children then did a wonderful job writing their own versions of the story, where Mr Bear finally fell asleep in the quiet library!

We are excited to launch our new story The Colour Monster on Monday and would like to remind you to send your child in bright coloured clothing with a plain white named T-shirt in a named plastic bag. We will be using paint and tie-dye so please keep this in mind.

Now the weather has changed we would also like to remind you to please send your child to school with a waterproof coat. Please remember to name all clothing including PE kits.

## Year 2 News

This week in Year 2 we have been looking at a brand-new book called Oh No, Monster Tomato by Jim Helmore. The children have really enjoyed reading this book because the teachers had to sing some of the words. During our English lessons, the children have been using the story to write their own descriptive and exclamatory sentences.



In science, we have continued to learn about how to stay healthy by eating the right amounts of each food group. The children used the Eatwell Guide to investigate which foods we should be eating the most of. Can they tell you the answer to our focus question: Which food groups should we eat the most of and why?



### Year 3 News

With the weather changing and becoming wet and windy, the Year 3 children are still brighter than ever. Routines are now in full swing, and we've just about become used to having Collective Worship sessions, where the behaviour and contributions of the children has been phenomenal.

Over the past few weeks, we have been learning how to write an information text. This included lots of fact finding and research about English landmarks, celebrations and about London. Did you know Buckingham Palace has 78 bathrooms?! Ask your child for more interesting facts.

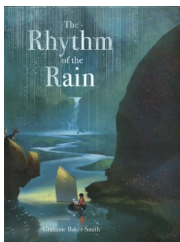
Promoting the love of reading is a passionate saying around school. It is important for your child to work through the books provided by school to help their progress and to change them once or twice a week.

### Year 4 News

Year 4 have had a busy few weeks. Mrs Nunn's class have begun gymnastic lessons at Bedale High School and Ms Elliot's class will start their sessions in November. They are proving to be a tremendous success with the children, who can't wait until the next lesson!

We enjoyed a walk to Bedale Park to research how food was preserved hundreds of years ago in the Ice House belonging to Bedale Hall and we are writing information reports on why the Roman army was so successful. Please ask you children about it- they know lots of facts!

Thank you so much for using the diaries so well- they really help to support the children's reading. In the diary we write which times table the children are working on- regular practice, singing, chanting, testing is of great help.



### Year 5 News

In year 5, we have been showing off our writing skills! We have written a short story based on the book 'The Rhythm of the Rain' making sure that we use lots of description to paint a vivid picture for the reader.

In science, we have been sorting materials according to their properties and enjoyed creating a sorting diagram in a group. Remember, next Tuesday is our trip to Reeth - we hope the sun will be shining for us!

### Year 6 News

Year 6 may be the only year group who are pleased it has rained this week! At last we have something in our rain gauges to measure, to help us build a picture of the climate in our school field ecosystem. This will support our Geography work, looking at climate zones around the world. Further to this we went to Bedale Park to classify the trees through close observation of the leaf types. Whilst there, we took a walk up Keepers' Walk to experience the change to Autumn, to help with our descriptive writing.

Our first intrepid group of future road users have started their Bikeability training (with many more to follow.) Well done to all involved. Finally, a quick reminder to please bring full PE kits into school every Monday, and take home to wash on Friday.





## A message from the Millings Care Home, Bedale

### Stand with Team Stan!

One of our residents at the Millings Care Home, 92-year-old Stan Allsop is very keen to continue the swell of community spirit that has arisen out of the Pandemic time. Over the past 18 months, life has been challenging for lots of people within our community. The impacts of the Pandemic have been far reaching and are still being felt by many.

One of the wonderful things that has arisen through this period is the depth and POWER of community spirit where neighbours and complete strangers have embraced the challenge to ensure vulnerable residents are not alone. Talking to people, helping people, being there at a time that has been scary for some and difficult for others. Now that the World and our Country are slowly opening up, Stan feels it would be a real shame to lose this sense of community that has been created and experienced over the past 18 months.

We would therefore like to invite you and your school family to join Stan in Bedale Park by the band stand on Sunday 3rd October at 11.45am to share a moment of reflection and ideas of how we can help continue the wonderful community spirit in Bedale generated during the Pandemic.

It would be lovely to see you there.

### Hello Yellow Day

Friday 8th October is World Mental Health Day. We are going to mark the occasion by linking it to our value of 'Love of Reading' in school and devote the Friday afternoon to reading. Also, children can bring in a favourite book to share.



Children will have the opportunity on the day to read with their paired class. There will also be a Collective worship which will be led by some of our Year 6 pupils.

Children can wear something yellow to school for a donation of £1.00 to Young Minds Charity.

### HARVEST FESTIVAL—YEAR 1—YEAR 6

This will take place at St Gregory's Church on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October at 10.00 am.

After a turbulent year it is great to have the opportunity to meet collectively in church to think about harvest. This is a shared event with the parish and parents and families are welcome to join us.



EYFS pupils will be holding their own harvest festival on Thursday 21st October at 2.45 pm in school