Bedale Church of England Primary School Newsletter 'Learning & Caring Together'



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Dear Parents & Carers

It is lovely to be operating as normal at last and have so many activities and new experiences going on for our pupils. We have had educational visits, sporting competitions, residentials and evening events, such as our choir performing at Bedale High School. Please see more details and photographs in this newsletter. It is wonderful to be able to share all the exciting things our pupils are experiencing, and their successes.

As we move towards the end of term, I am sad to share with you the news that some of our staff are moving on. Both Mrs York and Mrs Hall are having a change of career, moving on to new things in September. Both of these ladies have been at our school a very long time. I remember Mrs York being a wonderful teaching assistant when I first began working at Bedale as a teacher here many years ago and was not surprised to see what an amazing teacher she became. I remember Mrs Ball and myself interviewing Mrs Hall (Miss Maddren as she was then) and being so excited to have her on our staff after her wonderful interview, and she certainly has lived up to our expectation! They have both worked so hard over their time at Bedale, supporting pupils and families and will be sadly missed by all. Ms Elliott and Mrs Sawyer are also moving on. Although they have not been at our school quite as long as Mrs Hall and Mrs York, both have made such a great impact with their dedication, and fabulous teaching. We wish Mrs Sawyer all the best as she takes up her new role as Primary Mastery Lead for the Yorkshire Riding Maths Hub and Ms Elliott as she moves back to Wales to be nearer to her family. Her new school is very lucky to have her. All four ladies have been exceptional members of staff and I will miss them dearly and cannot thank them enough for all they have brought to our school.

In September we welcome new staff, who have all been appointed. Miss Potts, an experienced teacher from Leeds, Miss Hall who has been teaching in Harrogate (and who I had the pleasure of teaching when she was a pupil here!) and Miss Heather, who has been working here over the past term, and already knows the school and our children well. Finally, we welcome Mrs Adams another very experienced teacher in early years, who also has worked here previously many years ago as a teaching assistant with Mrs Ball.

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More changes include Miss Markendale who married in May half term and from September will be known as Mrs Stephenson. And in August, Miss West will be getting married and will return to us as Mrs Townsend. Mr Holmes is also getting married in the summer break, after having to cancel twice due to Covid. We congratulate all three staff and wish them all the best in their married lives.

On a more mundane note, can I please remind you how very important it is you contact the school office if you child is absent for any reason. The office has had to chase several families this week to check their child is safe. There is always the answerphone to leave us a message.

Mrs Turnbull, Head Teacher

EYFS NEWS

What an exciting week we have all had this week! Our baby caterpillars have finally transformed into butterflies. Over the past four weeks we have watched the life cycle, how they have eaten through plenty of food, spun their cocoon and have gone through metamorphosis to change into butterflies. We were lucky enough to watch how they unfolded their wings and sat in the sunshine to warm their muscles before flight. We took them into the woodland learning area to set them free and to start the whole life cycle all over again. So keep an eye out for our wonderful butterflies as you walk around school.



This week we have started our new topic looking at vets as an occupation. Thank you for all the wonderful homework we have had returned. We have loved seeing all your pets and how you care for them at home. We have used the homework this week to create some wonderful writing. The children have been working very hard to write all about their pet or their favourite animal. We have seen a huge improvement in all children's writing this year and we are very proud to see how they are turning into wonderful writers.

YEAR 1 NEWS

Thank you to all the parents who attended our Explorer's afternoon yesterday it was lovely to see so many of you. We hope you enjoyed finding out about Captain Cook and working



alongside your child on a history project. We were very impressed with everyone's map reading skills! We can't wait for our visit to The Captain Cook Birthplace Museum next week. The weather is looking like it is going to be sunny so please make sure your child is wearing sun-cream and has a hat with them. They will also need a packed lunch and drink. Thank you to everyone for sending in their sunflower measurements. We obviously have lots of green-fingered children because there were some very tall sunflowers. So far the top 3 are Evie, Jack T and Oliver L. Well done to everyone.

YEAR 2 NEWS

This week the children have been sitting their final assessments for Year 2 and have worked so hard to show how much they have learnt this year! We are all so proud of how far they have come, so well done everyone and thank you to you at home who have supported them this year. In Science last week, we planted some sunflowers to observe over the next couple of weeks with the goal that the children will recognise the conditions a healthy



plant will grow in. So far two of our plants have begun to grow and we are eager to see how they develop! Our DT learning this half term revolves all around flight and planes and this week we have had some brilliant designs for the children's very own model planes. Can they remember what wheels and axles are?

Just a couple of reminders for everyone: Wednesday 13th July is our visit to Foxglove Covert and the children will need to bring a packed lunch with them on this day.

Please make sure that your child is completing their weekly homework on Google Classroom as this is an essential part of your child's learning.

YEAR 3 NEWS

The children of Year 3 have done so well in their assessments this week. It shows a great reflection of the children's hard work in reading, writing and maths. Last week, Mr Holmes' class had a great experience with Mrs Brown teaching while Mr Holmes was having fun in Robin Wood. She was so impressed with everyone. Mr Holmes was very proud. As well, the children have had fun learning about nutrients in Science and bread in DT where they were able to taste differently made breads along with renowned

dips for our food project. In preparation for the 'End of year Celebration' for parents, there has been revision of previously learnt topics and rehearsals of dances and poems. Don't miss out Thursday 30th at 2.30pm.

Even though we are approaching the final weeks of Year 3, please continue to send your child in correct uniform with appropriate PE kit and footwear. It is also essential that children bring their own water bottle as an alarming number of children are 'forgetting' theirs even with this incredible heat as a reminder.

YEAR 4 NEWS

In PE the children have been enjoying the sunshine and learning how to hurdle, ready for sports day. They are playing the glockenspiels in music and learning to compose music.

We are very proud of how hard they worked to prepare for the Maths timetable check and were very impressed by the effort that they made.



In History, the children are learning about the Viking invasion and are really excited about going to the Jorvik centre next month.

YEAR 5 NEWS



In Year 5, we've loved our recent visits to Leeming Bar Station on The Wensleydale Railway - some of us enjoying our first ever train journey! We travelled back in time to the 1920s, even getting dressed up in costume. We learnt all about the different areas of the station: the waiting room, the ticket office and

the parcel room. The Station Master even had his parlour and kitchen there - they looked very different to the rooms in our houses nowadays!

"I loved the journey on the train - it was so fun! My favourite part was the parcel room where we had to work out the distance they were going, weigh them on the scales then find the correct amount of money

going, weigh them on the scales then find the correct amount of money to pay for it. The coins were different too." - Alfie

YEAR 6 NEWS

Well, we've all recovered from the fabulous but exhausting RobinWood residential last week. (I'm sure you welcomed home some very tired children!) They all pushed themselves to perform to the best of their ability and impressed themselves, their friends, the instructors and their teachers. Please read the recount for more details in the rest of the newsletter.



We have been full steam ahead rehearsing for our play - Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies. Cast and crew are working hard to pull together a stunning performance for your enjoyment. They would really appreciate your help with learning lines (cast), song lyrics (cast and crew) and helping source costume and prop components (crew)- see separate letter about tickets.

Alongside all this activity, we are still learning lots of fascinating facts about the Ancient Greeks. Ask us about the things that went on at the original Olympics!

SPORTS DAY

Pupils participate representing their houses. For information the colour of the houses are as follows:

Amen: Green Hird: Blue Wycar: Yellow Chantry: Red



Pupils are encouraged to wear a coloured T-shirt to represent their house or a coloured hair ribbon/socks if possible. Dates for Sports day can be found later in this newsletter.

SPONSORED FUN RUN

Thank you to all for your support with this. So far we have raised an amazing £1131.00 A special well done to Athena M in Y2 whose Grandad runs a pub where he took sponsor forms. His customers and locals raised £180.00 which was topped up by a charity curry evening raising the total to £300.00 which is fantastic. Also a special mention to Jack L who was ill on the day of the sponsored run, but still wanted to do something as he had already collected most of the sponsorship money. So, recently, he ran 6 laps of his parents 7 acre field! Brilliant!



booking form link https://forms.gle/kqKV8Wp1K5zB8fso9

YEAR 4 CRICKET

A massive well done to our Y4 cricket team who got all the way to the final game at the NorthYorkshire County Finals at York Cricket Club on Tuesday 21st June. They battled hard with amazing individual scores with the bat, super wickets with the bowling and tremendous team work on the field, finishing runners up to a very well organised and experienced team from Pannal School. Good luck to Pannal as they proceed to the next round at Headingley.



ATTENDANCE

Year Group	Attendance	No of Lates Recorded
EYFS	93.9%	3
1	95.5%	1
2	93.5%	1
3	92.5%	4
4	94.6%	2
5	96.7%	1
6	93.4%	5

POLITE REMINDER FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE

Please ensure your child comes to school every day with their belongings they require for the day, including packed lunch, PE kits and the knowledge of who is picking them up after school. Frequently delivering items/messages to pupils disrupts lessons and also takes the office staff away from their normal duties. With our numbers on roll continually increasing it is impossible for the office staff to deliver personal messages on a daily basis. Your co-operation with this would be very much appreciated.

Please also be reminded that any correspondence that needs to be returned to the school office ie. permission slips etc. can be popped into our 'drop off box' in the main foyer to school. Thank you.

Please also ensure any money sent into school is in a sealed envelope clearly showing the name of your child and the nature of the income. Thank you.

SCHOOL MEAL PARENTPAY ACCOUNT



As of today we have 46 pupils dinner accounts that are in arrears, totalling £410.00. Please be reminded we do not offer credit for school meals. Please check your ParentPay account to ensure there are sufficient funds should your child wish to order a meal. Thank you.

HOT CHOCOLATEWITH MRSTURNBULL

A massive well done to the children who were chosen by their teacher this week to enjoy a hot chocolate with Mrs Turnbull for being a superstar in all areas.

Congratulations to Nadia R, Cassius T, William C, Violet W, Willow E, Isabella W, Ayla N, Hunter P, Bella F, Leya W, Jakob N, Leo G, Ellis L & Leyla C.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 29th June 2022—Y1 Visit to Captain Cook Museum

Thursday 30th June 2022—Year 3 Parent event—Celebration of work 2.15pm

Friday 1st July 2022—FSG Summer Fair 2.00pm

Monday 4th—Friday 8th July 2022—Year 5 residentials to Wilderness Outdoor Centre

Tuesday 5th July 2022—Y6 summer production to parents 2.00 pm and 6.00 pm

Wednesday 6th July 2022—Y6 summer production to parents 6.00 pm

Wednesday 6th July 2022—Sports afternoon for EYFS, Years 1 & 2—1.45 pm

Friday 8th July 2022—Y6 Leavers service—Ripon Cathedral

Wednesday 13th July 2022—Y2 Visit to Fox Glove Covert

Wednesday 13th July 2022—EYFS Grandparents Tea Party—2.30 pm

Friday 15th July—Sports afternoon for Key Stage 2—1.45 pm

Thursday 21st July—Y4Visit to Jorvik Viking Centre

Thursday 21st July—Y6 Leavers service—2.30 pm

Thursday 21st July—KS1 Disco—5.00—6.00 pm

Thursday 21st July—KS2 Disco 6.30—7.30 pm

Friday 22nd July—Y6 Fun Day

Friday 22nd July—School Closes for the summer break at 3.15 pm



Y6 RESIDENTIALTO ROBINWOOD

I really enjoyed Robinwood, the food was amazing and the activities were really fun. The staff were encouraging and kind. They have different groups, Rapids, Stream etc. I was in Rapids and my group leader was Brogan (she was really kind).

Each day you have a timetable, you do three activities after breakfast and three activities after lunch. During the night there are night staff (we called them Night Ninjas!). You get a button in your Dorm to call them (only if it is important).

Activities you do are Zipline, Wall Climbing, Piranha Pool, Trapeze and so much more. My personal favourites are Zipline, Canoeing, Raft Building and Archery. Even though it took about two hours to get there on the bus, it was 100% worth it. Robinwood was absolutely amazing, I loved it, and so did all of my friends! Mia A Year 6













COMMUNITY CHOIR—BEDALE HIGH SCHOOL

Our after school choir recently took part in a Community Choir event organised by Bedale High School. This involved lots of other primary schools. This ended with a performance on Wednesday evening of last week which parents were invited to come and watch. Our children did a wonderful job and it was lovely to see so many families in the audience. What a treat to have a professional conductor working with the choir.



QUAD KIDS



On Wednesday 15th June, two teams of year 1/2 and year 3/4 children went to Richmond school to take part in a fantastic Quadkids event. We had to do four activities which included long jump, sprinting, throwing and a long distance ru



sprinting, throwing and a long distance run.

All the children enjoyed themselves and tried their best. We all cheered each other on and showed super sports skills. The year 1/2 team came 4th and the year 3/4 team came 2nd out of 9 schools in

each year group. Well done to

all the children who took part - we all did a great job!

Written by Lucy, Mollie, Reuben and Grace.



FOOTBALL SUCCESS!

Fraya P in Year 5 has had a busy few weeks attending trials at Leeds, Durham and Sunderland and she has been offered a place at both Leeds and Durham and has accepted and signed her contract with Durham for the 22-23 season, playing up a year at U12 which is brilliant!

She is looking forward to the new challenge that Durham gives her. She is currently training one night with Durham and at the end of July she will start her second session where she will meet all the other girls, get her kit and the all important signing on photo that she can then share with school. Well done Fraya!

CAR PARKING—GLEBE HOUSE SURGERY CAR CARK

The Surgery have asked us to remind parents that it is not permitted to use their car park. They have seen a number of parents parking in there when dropping and picking up after school. The car park is for patients only. Thank you

INVITATION TO A PARTY FOR LEAVERS IN SEPTEMBER

Some pupils have been given an invitation to a Leavers Party (Y2,Y3 and Y6) from a family in school. Following some misunderstandings from some parents, we would just like to clarify that this event has nothing to do with school. There will be no school staff present.

GLOBAL AWARENESS CLUB

The Global Awareness Club have been working extremely hard over the past year to make our local community, national and global world a better place to live. They have done many things such as collecting food for food banks, shoe box appeal, making bird feeders in our woodland area and even fundraising for many different charities. We are delighted to say that we have been put forward for the Picture News Impact award 2022.

So fingers crossed and watch this space!







