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

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Dear Parents/Carers

Over the past week I have been delighted to present many of our year six pupils with badges for the areas of responsibility they have taken on. We have been impressed already by their enthusiasm and dedication and look forward to seeing them make a real difference in school.

This years leaders are:

Heads of School	Heads of Wycar	Heads of Amen	Heads of Hird	Heads of Chantry	Merit Monitors	
Zach M, Heather H & Kairi B	Ava F, Freddie C & Sophia R	Charley C, Payson C & Isabella S	Evie L, Poppy K & Eleanor A	Mason T, Leila D & Ellie C	Isobel H & Jessica S	
Sports	Head of Library &	Heads of School	Heads of Peer	Peer	Dinner	
Captains	Librarians	Council	Mentors	Mentors	Monitor	
Harri J, Leo N,	Jackson M, Olivia M	William G, Sophia	Lois H, Rosie H &	Mia F, Jess J,	Havarna C	
Fraya P & Oliver H	& Tiana-Mae M	T, Emily K & Katie-	India W	Emily T, Jess A &		

Congratulations to all the children named above. Some of them have already taken part in leading Collective worships. Our heads of school have already been busy at the opening morning we held last Saturday showing new parents around the school. Heather, Kairi and Zach you did a fabulous job.

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School Councillors have also been elected by their peers for each class from year 2 to year 6. These children will be working alongside Mrs Nunn and Mrs Read on projects to make a difference in our community. I know the first litter pick of the school year was extremely well attended. Our School Councillors are Seth J, Reuben A, Violet W, Charlotte S, Oscar A, Harley D, Esme A, Willow E, Nico R. Finley M, Eleanor T, Freya H, Seb S, Riley B, Leya W and Daisy-Mai H.

We have a wide variety of clubs on offer again this term from gardening to choir. The lunch time cross country club has proved a real hit led by Mrs Fessey and Miss Potts. Pupils are training hard and next week we look forward to taking a group of our key stage two runners to a competition based at

Richmond Secondary School and have our fingers crossed for some successes.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Turnbull, Head Teacher



## **EYFS NEWS**

We have had another super week in Early Years. We've had our very first PE lesson and Scooter Day. All the children had lots of fun and loved showing us their skills on their scooters. We thought about how a scooter moves and discussed push and pull. Please see our Facebook page for photos and videos of the day. Not only that but we've also been learning about subitising in Maths. Why don't you ask us what it means?

This week we have enjoyed making using different recycling. If you have cardboard boxes/plastic recycling at home please bring them in for us to use.

Reminder: We will be getting changed for PE next week. Please can your child bring their PE kit in on Monday (no

trainers needed)







#### YEAR 1 NEWS

Year One had a brilliant time on their colour monster day on Monday. We shared the story of The Colour Monster by Anna Llenas and learnt about the different emotions of happiness, anger, sadness, fear and calm. In the story the colour monster is all mixed up because he doesn't understand his feelings, so we made a mixed-up tie dye

The Colour monster
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T-shirt. We also made



large colour monster collages using different media and designed our own monsters on the iPads. The children loved decorating a biscuit to show one of the colour monster's different faces.

Don't forget it is our phonics workshop on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> at 2.45pm in the school hall. Information is on google classroom, please sign up to let us know you are coming.

## YEAR 2 NEWS

This week Year 2 have been really enjoying their RE work! They have been learning all about the

Good Samaritan. The children have reflected about how they can be a



good neighbour and what this means, they had some fantastic ideas about how they can be kind to everyone and care for people. To consolidate their learning the children acted out the story of the Good Samaritan, they focused on what words they could use to show that they cared.



# YEAR 3 NEWS

In Year 3 the children have been busy looking at non-fiction texts in order to write their own reports on England. From landmarks of England to festivals, the children knew lots of facts! It has been lovely to hear about their visits to different cities and



the seaside. We gathered this information together and we have used in our texts. We are so impressed with their writing, that we needed to show it off! In Art, we have been focusing on the still-life paintings of Georgia O'Keefe and using different pencil techniques to create light and shade. Here are some examples of the detailed and thoughtful sketches we made. Thank you for supporting your children on the Century homework app- the children all seem really excited about it! As ever, please let us know if you have any queries regarding this.

#### YEAR 4 NEWS

Where have these first 4 weeks gone? It has been a very fast start to life in Year 4. Last week, we were able to enjoy a short walk to Bedale park to see the old building of The Ice House. Ask your child about it because they linked their Science learning to why it is there and what it was used for. Our History topic of Romans is all we are talking about! We are in the middle of writing up a Roman Army information text, sharing our facts and knowledge. These will be a great read at the Parent Open evenings. We are so pleased to see so many of you wearing the correct PE kit for our indoor and outdoor PE. Please remember to send your child in with a plain hoody or jumper as it can be chilly playing tennis on the yard. Homework on Century is

up and running. Thank you to everyone persevering with it. The more you use it, the more confident you and your child will become. Don't forget, there is a set TTRS homework task each week too. There is an ongoing battle between the two classes. Last year, Mr Holmes' class won every week! We have selected a date for our English workshop for parents to attend. Keep an eye out on the school calendar. Thursday 17th November at 2.45pm.



## **YEAR 5 NEWS**

On Wednesday, the year 5 children took part in a 'Money Matters' workshop led by Yorkshire Building Society. The children had to work in groups to plan a holiday with a specific budget and list of requests. They worked brilliantly in their groups to work out the transport,



accommodation and activities they could include for their budget. Next, they created a poster to advertise their holiday which was presented to everyone at the end. Maybe they could with help planning your next family holiday!

"I enjoyed figuring out all of the prices as I didn't realise our parents had to do all of that!"

"I enjoyed working with a budget as it made me feel more responsible"

# YEAR 6 NEWS

In our quest to look out to the wider world, Year 6 have been learning about the climate zones and biomes of the world. We have focussed in on South America and, in particular, the mountainous climate zone of the Andes. To complement this learning, we are discovering how to classify the plants and animals found in the biomes we are learning about. On Tuesday we

had a go at classifying the trees around school and found many different species - some non-native. Ask us what the 5 kingdoms of living things are - you're sure to be impressed that we can name all 5! In maths we are busy getting to grips with bar models which, as one child stated, are our new best friends! They really do help us see our way through multi-step word problems in maths. In English we have mastered using passive voice in some very impressive police reports. All the children enjoyed taking on the role of police officer and reporting on the disappearance of Barty Cuttle (the dad in our fabulous class reader.) None of our apprentice officers has yet solved the crime but many have some very interesting theories!



### **ATTENDANCE**

Below is the attendance & number of lates from September so far for each year group.



Year Group	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance	98.8%	96.8%	97.6%	95.9%	95.8%	96.1%	94.9%
Number of lates	1	3	1	0	1	1	1

# WRAP AROUND CARE

Our Wrap Around Care is in full swing now and we have had lovely feedback from both children and parents which we are thrilled about.

Our before school club starts at 7.45am and after school club is until 5.30pm. There are still spaces for both before and after school sessions so please do get in touch to request a contract if this is something you are interested in.

Serving personnel are entitled to free WAC, before and after school during term time for up to 20 hours per week for 4-11 year olds.







# **DIARY DATES**

As life is becoming busy please be aware of upcoming events.

- Friday 7th October—Individual & Sibling photographs
- Wednesday 12th October—Harvest festival at St Gregory's (Years 1 & 2— 9.30 am & KS2—10.30 am)
- Tuesday 18th & Wednesday 19th October—Open evenings
- Parent Workshops which will take place in our school hall—Dates & times below.

EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Thursday 13th October 2.45pm	Thursday 6th October	Thursday 10th November	Thursday 20th October	Thursday 17th November	Monday 14th November	Monday 3rd October
(Harvest Festival)	2.45 pm	2.45pm	2.45pm	2.45pm	3.30pm	3.00pm





Please do not use the Glebe House Surgery car park during drop off and pick up times. These spaces are needed for patients, some of whom have been unable to park due to spaces being taken by those not using the surgery. We thank you in advance for your help with this matter.

# **EYFS INTAKE SEPTEMBER 2023**

If you have a child due to start school in September 2023, but already have children in our school and therefore did not feel the need to attend our open morning last Saturday, please let us know. This will allow us to communicate with you about events coming up later in the

academic year. This will help to prepare your child for their transition to school.



# **FSG**

Our FSG are busy planning lots of exciting events for the year ahead. Our Autumn term disco is planned for Wednesday 9th November. 5—6pm for KS1 and 6.30—7.30pm for KS2. Our Christmas fair won't be far behind. As always we really appreciate any help that families are able to offer us in running these events. The FSG are holding a meeting on Monday 3rd October at 4.30pm. This will be held at school. Please feel free to come along and join, we always need new helpers and we will provide cake & biscuits!



These events raise money that contribute to our schools wonderful resources. This year we are looking at purchasing ICT resources in EYFS and replenishing and further improving our school library.

#### **PARENTPAY**

There are currently 36 accounts that are in debt with dinner money payments. These are currently totalling over £475. Please note that we do not offer a credit facility and we ask that accounts are topped up in advance of dinners being taken.

