



NEWSLETTER

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"Outstanding Together"

News from the Classes

In **KS1** this week we have been exploring the Amazon Rainforest and were particularly interested in researching the different animals that live in the different layers of the rainforest.

We ventured into our own rainforest on Wednesday afternoon – we didn't let the rain stop us for our Forest School session, we simply put up a shelter over our camp area and carried on! The beauty of being in broad leaf woodland is that the canopy acts like a giant umbrella anyway and we had great fun lighting fires and making necklaces from natural materials.

Our caterpillars have been busy making their chrysalis and we have enjoyed observing the whole process first hand – it is fascinating to watch and we will keep you posted.

KS2: The more you look into electrical circuits the trickier they become. We have been thinking about the appropriate battery voltage for the bulbs and buzzers. It is important to get the voltage right or you blow the bulb (the buzzers seem to survive annoyingly!) We also solved the mystery of the buzzer, it was all to do with polarity and the red and black wires (please ask). The next step is to think about LEDs, but you really need to think about the correct voltage for those or it overheats.

On Monday the years 5 and 6 children were invited to a careers day at Caedmon College where they could try some new things and think about what sort of jobs they might want to do in future. They got a chance to take part in all sorts of activities that the College has to offer, and to meet students from who have just finished their A-levels and ask them questions about College life. Children made decorative clay tiles in the art classroom, cycled around the sports field, banged drums in the music room and did exciting chemistry experiments in the science block but everybody's favourite bit by far was pizza lunch in the cafeteria, which felt very grown up! Thank you to Becky Webster for going with them.

On Tuesday afternoon, most of KS2 went to Whitby Beach for "Hit the Surf" and what an amazing time everyone had. Once we had fought with our wet suits we were shown some important life guard skills and had a go at surfing and fantastically some children even managed to stand up which is definitely not as easy as it looks! Thanks to Dan Medcalf for coming along and joining in with us.



A massive congratulations to our Year 4 Federation team (Reuben, Archie, Jack, Felix, Owen, Huw and Greg) who won the medium/small school football league on Thursday evening after they beat Hawsker 1-0 and St Hilda's 8-0. This team played some amazing football and Mrs Medcalf and the schools are very proud of every one of them and how they played together. Thank you again to the parents that came and showed massive support to the team.

Years 5 & 6 Olympic Athletics on Monday

The Athletics on Monday is not now going to be all day! Pupils will leave here at 11am and eat their packed lunch when they get to Whitby, before the Athletics start at 12.30pm. Please remember that, as this event is on a Monday,

they do **need to bring a packed lunch from home**. There will be an ice cream van on site if you would like to send some money with your child for this. The event finishes at 3pm so they should arrive back here by about 4pm.

Infants and Years 3 & 4 - Walk to Church on Monday

For your information, we intend walking down to the Church on Monday afternoon to look at Church features.

Sports Day

We couldn't have had better weather for our Olympic Themed Sports Day last Friday. Thank you all for coming and to Helen and Dan Medcalf, in particular, for all their organisation of the sports and also the teachers and assistants for everything they did. Also, thank you to Lizzie Watson for serving the refreshments which raised £28.10 for the PTFA.

Notice from Mrs Wilson

Basics of Botany, recognising flowers parts, identifying local wild flowers.

10 to 3, Saturday 23rd July, Westerdale Village Hall

Suitable for Years 5&6, children must be accompanied by an adult. £10 per family.

For further information or to book contact Carol Wilson on 01287 660461.

Next Week

Miss Adamski from Caedmon College Whitby on work experience

There will be no Netball Club, after school on Wednesdays, until September

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| Tomorrow | PTFA Coffee Morning, Village Hall, 10am to 12 |
| Monday | Years 5 & 6 Athletics at Eskdale School KS1 and years 3 & 4 Church visit, afternoon Sumdog Club |
| Tuesday | New pupil in for afternoon (year 3 in September) Sewing Club Governors Meeting |
| Thursday | New reception children in for morning and lunch (meeting for parents at 12.45pm) |
| Friday | Year 6 Stokesley School transition day Football Club |

News from Glaisdale

Mr Hutt joined **Class 1** on Wednesday for some creative work designing an Olympic Stadium for small creatures in the garden. The children were very enthusiastic and had wonderful ideas. The most exciting part was the discovery of a toad that was already using the Olympic swimming pool!

Class 2 has continued their work on forms of government. In Maths they have begun some investigations into fractions and in Science they have looked at what impact changing the components in a circuit will have and how this can be used in real life.

Glaisdale PTFA Events

Summer Fete - Monday, 18th July at 3.15pm

"How to Make a Killing in Bollywood" - Friday, 23rd September