



# NEWSLETTER

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## News from the Classes

This week **KS1** have been exploring Autumn and spotted lots of signs of this out in the garden. We used all our senses and enjoyed collecting leaves. The children created some super observational drawings of the leaves and enjoyed exploring the patterns and colours through leaf rubbings and leaf painting. What a lovely time of year!

Thank you to everyone for attending Parents Evening. It is always great to celebrate the children's progress with you and your continued support and involvement in their development is fantastic. It really does make a difference when we all work together in partnership to support each child's development and help create great learning opportunities.



Have a great "Halloween" half term everyone!

**KS2:** Thank you to everyone who came to Parents Evening. Mrs Grace is always proud to show off all your children's hard work and to know that next time you meet you will see all the progress they have made.

In Maths we have continued to tackle money and change into problem solving. This really is a life skill that will be beneficial in the future – it is so important to check you get the right change.

In English we have continued to look at the new sentence types. Thank you Mr Wadley for renewing them all. Editing with a partner has been very beneficial to see how the sentence types can be used to improve our writing.

If you have been in Castleton this week you might have seen us out and about. The best way to learn about Castleton is to go out and look at it. So far we've found plenty of dates and learnt that Danby stole our Castle (please ask). If you know of any Castleton history, please root it out over the holiday as we can use it to add to our information leaflet next half term.

Please can you start saving milk bottle tops from the plastic cartons. They are going to be used as part of the poppy day remembrance.

We hope everyone has a good safe break, see you again on Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> November.

**Social, Emotional, Health and Wellbeing:** We have been talking about fire safety ahead of bonfire night and we had a super informative visit from the Fire Service today.

## Attendance:

This week's attendance was 95% so still under our target of 97%.

## Forest Schools

This half term, years 3 from here and Glaisdale have enjoyed weekly Forest School sessions on Wednesday afternoon. The focus for their activities has been shelter building. We have looked at different styles of outdoor shelter (including tents) and experimented with "A-Frame" and "Tipi" styles. Working in groups, they built miniature shelters in both designs and then chose which style they liked best for their "Grand Design." At the same time, Mrs Barber and helpers built a group type shelter that can hopefully accommodate larger groups as the weather deteriorates.

**Next half term will be the turn of year 4** and we will also be joined by year 4's from Lealholm School!

### "Wear it Pink" Fundraising Day

It was lovely to see all "the pink" in school last Friday. Your kind donations amounted to over £72 which was fantastic for Breast Cancer Care – a very worthwhile cause.

### Poppy Appeal

As usual, we have poppies on sale in school reception if you would like to send money in with your children for this.

### Danby Beacon Trust Events on Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> November

On Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> November it will be 100 years since the end of the First World War and nationally beacons are being lit and bells are being rung to commemorate this occasion. Danby Beacon will be lit at 7pm and the Church bells will be rung at 7.05pm.

Viscount Downe is planting a tree at Danby Moors Centre at 5pm and the Beacon Trust would like to involve local school children to remind them of the sacrifices made by previous generations. Crosses will be placed around the tree in memory of local people who gave their lives and the children are going to be making poppies in school which will also be displayed.

**Everyone is welcome to the tree planting at 5pm and lighting of the Beacon at 7pm.**

### Reminders

- **Year 6 transfer to Secondary School September 2019**  
Please remember to make your application for a Secondary School place by the deadline of **next Wednesday (31 October)**.  
All the information you need to apply for a school place is available at: [www.northyorks.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/admissions)
- **Halloween Party, Wednesday, 31<sup>st</sup> October**  
Helena Trow's mum, Jane, has organised a Halloween Party for the children from 4pm to 6pm in the Village Hall when there will be games, Fancy Dress competition and much more. Please bring some party food. For any further information please see Jane.
- **School Photo Orders**  
Please bring any remaining school photo orders in on the first day back.
- **Ryedale & Whitby Level 2 Cross Country – Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> November**  
Any pupils who are interested in the above event are welcome to attend Lady Lumley's School, Pickering, 1pm to 3pm on Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> November. Please let us know on the first day back if your child/children would like to take part, so that we can enter them, but please note that you would be expected to take them.
- **Whitby & District Rotary Club – Young Musicians Competition, Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> November**  
If your child/children are interested in taking part in the above which is to be held on Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm in the Performing Arts Suite at Caedmon School please see Mrs Blacklock for an information pack.

### Week Beginning 5<sup>th</sup> November

<b>Monday</b>	Choir
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Year 4</b> Forest Schools, afternoon Cross Country, Lady Lumley's School, Pickering, 1-3pm (see above) KS2 Homework Club
<b>Thursday</b>	Fitness Club
<b>Friday</b>	Music Lessons with Mr Cross and recorders