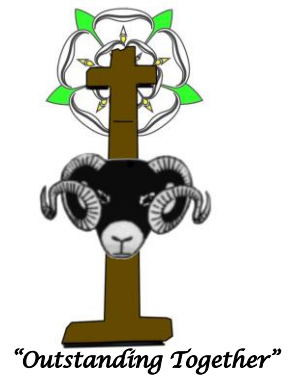




# NEWSLETTER

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*Welcome to a new school year and we hope that you have enjoyed the holiday with your children.*

## News from the Classes

**KS1:** A special welcome to all our lovely new Reception children (Philomena, Emma, Jocelyn, Nancy, Maddy, Kobie and Joe) who have settled in so well and embraced school life.

We have started our topic "Journeys" and talked about our adventures over the summer. Thank you for the wonderful holiday diaries, we have thoroughly enjoyed sharing them. We have created Passports to go on our next adventure and have a Travel Agents role play to explore maps and countries.

We love reading and the children are collecting stickers each time they read at home. Once they have filled their bookmark they will receive a prize. Please support reading development at home by listening to your child read each night and writing a comment in their reading journal. Your support with this makes all the difference. Please see the separate "Homework" letter.

Years 1 and 2 spelling homework will start next Friday.

Thank you to the years 1 and 2 parents who have been asked to say "goodbyes" in the playground on a morning to promote independence and avoid congestion in the classroom. We still want to see and share things with you; it was just getting rather busy!

A reminder for Reception parents that there is a "Phonics" meeting on Monday at 3.15pm

**KS2:** Welcome back and an extra welcome to the new, year 3's (JoJo, James and Fynn). Also, we have Sophia in year 6 and Helena in year 5. For everyone it has been a reminder this week (or an introduction) to all the class routines such as bringing in diaries every day, the times tables, SMIRFs, spellings and phonics routines. It is always tricky getting the holiday brain into gear but we are really pleased that everyone has made the effort to adjust back.

KS2 are also working on the topic of "Journeys" this term so it would be great over the weekend to chat about holiday places you have been to. We wonder who has travelled the furthest in the world on their holiday.

PE kits will always be needed on a Friday. In a rota system the PE kits will also be needed on some Thursdays. Children should come to school in uniform and will get changed for PE.

## PTFA News

Many thanks to Lizzie Watson for all her work as Chair of the PTFA but, due to other commitments, she has now decided to step down. Please speak to Mrs Douglass if you would be interested in taking on this role.

There is to be a **Coffee Morning and Table Top Sale** on Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 10 to 12 noon in the Village Hall. Donations for cake stall and raffle, together with help on the morning, would be greatly appreciated please. If you would like to have a stall the cost is £5 - please contact Lizzie on 660342 to book a table.

## School Dinners

Please find enclosed the Menu for this Term, for your information.

"**Themed Thursday**" dinners will re-commence on 18<sup>th</sup> September. Every week will raise the profile of an ingredient in the dinner that comes from a different country and the children will also learn a little about that

country. On Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup>, the chosen ingredient is potatoes with them being sourced from Lincolnshire and Yorkshire.

### *Breaktime Fruit/Drinks*

Fruit is available free every breaktime (this is really just for KS1 but we usually have enough to give KS2 some as well!) Milk is always available and costs 15p (supplied by school). Juice cartons are 25p, they are provided by County Caterers and that is what we have to charge. During the winter months Hot Chocolate is also available and this also costs 25p as it is provided by the Caterers.

Gaby keeps a record of the money that each child brings in, so the correct amount will be deducted each day depending on what drink is taken. Unfortunately she is not able to give a drink if money has not been paid. Some children pay for a drink as and when they get one but if you send money in to cover a week or more it would be advisable if this was put in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the child's name and amount. Thank you.

### *NYCC Music Tuition*

Mr Bryce Chatto will be taking over from Mr Cross as teacher for the above. He will still be coming in on a Thursday morning but slightly later (around 10.20am). Lessons will re-commence next Thursday. Mr Butterfield will be teaching drumming and he will let us know as soon as possible when this will be.

### *Parental Consent Form for School Visits and Trips 2017/18*

Please find enclosed a Form which **must** be completed for every child so that we have up to date medical and contact details for when they are out of the school on trips this school year. It is important that you notify us of any changes to these details throughout the year. **Please complete and return the Forms early next week.**

### *Forest School Sessions*

KS2 should have received a letter yesterday detailing which year groups are going to Glaisdale when for Forest Schools this term. Please return permission slips as soon as possible.

KS1 will again be doing Forest Schools every other Thursday morning, starting next week.

Children are able to come to school dressed ready for Forest Schools on their appropriate days.

### *Year 6 - Secondary School Open Evenings*

We have contacted the Schools and Open Evenings are as follows:-

- Stokesley School – Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> October at 6pm.
- Eskdale School – no date as yet, they will notify us as soon as possible.
- Caedmon College Whitby (Scoresby Site) – Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> October, 6 to 8pm.

### *Next Week*

<b>Monday</b>	Phonics Meeting for Reception parents at 3.15pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	Year 3 Forest Schools at Glaisdale, afternoon Netball Club
<b>Thursday</b>	KS1 Forest Schools, morning Mr Chatto Music lessons (details above)
<b>Friday</b>	Football Club

### *News from Glaisdale*

**Class 1** has welcomed 4 new pupils and they, along with the rest of the children have been acclimatising themselves with school procedures after the long summer break! They have been thinking about their hopes and aspirations for the year ahead and creating a class time capsule of these to be opened at the end of this school year.

In Maths they have been revising basic signs, operation and language whilst their Science work has launched with a look at the seasons. In English they have written recounts of their exploits and travels during the summer holidays and they have also made their own Passports.

**Class 2** has begun their new topic based around a journey along the ancient trading route known as the Silk Road. As part of this work they will be looking at Baghdad around the period of 900AD when it was a centre of innovation. To complement this they will also be looking at the Islamic Faith and associated art. In Science they are looking at electricity,