



# NEWSLETTER

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*"Outstanding Together"*

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## News from the Classes

**KS1** completed their investigation about whether plants need light to grow or not. It was very exciting to see the results (please ask!) and we have decided to carry on the investigation to see if the cupboard plants recover on the window sill.

They have also been taking on the role of Historians this week and studied the pictures on Ancient Greek pots to investigate life in Ancient Greece. They then designed their own fantastic Greek pots using sandpaper and pastels.

A huge well done to the year 2 children who have been taking KS1 SATs this week. We are so proud of all their hard work and enthusiastic attitude. They never fail to impress with their eagerness to learn and embrace. We hope they are proud of themselves because we are!

As it has been such a busy week, and many children have not had chance to practise spellings, we have postponed spelling tests until next Wednesday (25<sup>th</sup> May).

**KS2:** Well, the year 6 came back beaming after their post-SATs treat to Jump360 on Monday. Thank you to the PTFA for contributing and to the parents for taking them.

Well done to Archie for taking part in the Biathlon at Whitby on Tuesday.

It has been a while since the whole of KS2 have been to Forest Schools together but they did this on Wednesday afternoon. It is always an excellent educational adventure. We are so lucky that we have access to Terry and Sylvia Robinson's woods (many thanks for that) and Mrs Barber's outside enthusiasm and expertise. The children always come back like Enid Blyton's Famous Five, having had "smashing adventures."

Maybe amongst the years 3 and 4 we will have a budding Rory McIlroy, after taking part in the Tri Golf Festival at Whitby on Thursday. They will certainly have experienced all the skills to become a golfing champion of the future if they continue to work hard at the sport. **You will find enclosed a voucher entitling you, family and friends to a FREE taster session at Whitby Golf Club on either 28<sup>th</sup> or 31<sup>st</sup> July.**

Meanwhile, the carnival structures continue with the years 5 and 6 thinking more about building the carnival structure. Also, the design needs to have symmetry. The skills the years 5 and 6 have learnt on Thursday will be passed on to the years 3 and 4 on Monday.

## Breakfast Club - Option of coming from 8.30am

We are going to trial again having the option of coming to Breakfast Club from 8.30am (breakfast not included) at half the cost - £1.75. We have tried this in the past but it didn't cover costs, so we will see how it goes and review again at Christmas.

## Access to Playing Field

As you will be aware, Nigel and Kathryn Chapman kindly allowed us to fence off a path in their field behind school, so that the children have safe access to the playing field. Unfortunately it is being used as a right of way. The Chapmans are going to put notices up and a lock on the gate - we will still be able to use the route but hopefully it will deter others. We would be grateful for your help, particularly as we assume the route is also taking people through the school grounds. Thank you.

### *PTFA Events*

Well done to Lizzie Watson for organising the Quiz Night on Wednesday and to everyone who donated, helped and supported it. A fantastic £97 was raised for the PTFA.

Please find enclosed a flier regarding the next event which is a Domino Drive in the Village Hall on Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> June, 6pm for 6.30pm start. We would be very grateful for donations of raffle prizes, to be brought into school as soon as possible, please.

### *"A Concert for Frances", Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> May at Whitby Pavilion, 7.30pm*

Talented young musicians from Whitby Music Centre, North Yorkshire County Concert Band and North Yorkshire County Big Band are all joining forces for a wonderful evening of music in a Memorial Concert for Frances Quantrill raising vital awareness and funding for Asthma. Donations on the door.

### *Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers*

We are currently in the process of sorting an order out so please could you bring in any remaining vouchers that you find, at the beginning of next week. Thank you.

### *Next Week*

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| <b>Monday</b>    | Sumdog Club<br>Internet Safety Talk, Westerdale Village Hall, 7 to 9pm  |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | Road to Rio Dance Workshop at Danby Village Hall – <b><u>please return slips on Monday</u></b><br>Sewing Club |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | Netball Club  |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | Barclays Shield Cup Final, 3.30pm at Caedmon School   |
| <b>Friday</b>    | Football Club<br><b>Break up</b>  |

### *News from Glaisdale*

**Class 1's** work at Glaisdale this week has also focused on assessments, primarily with year 2. The first lot of bulb planting has been successful so more flowering bulbs have been planted to brighten up the garden. They have also got some paw-print stepping stones so that the playhouse can be accessed in wet weather without causing mud in the classroom!

**Class 2** has used their history topic to look at how to link paragraphs so that they flow from one to another. In Maths they have begun some work on measurement and Science involved investigating whether the size of a magnet is proportional to its strength. Years 5 and 6 took part in a day of Cricket at Whitby Cricket ground on Wednesday and had a great time. Although they played well and with enthusiasm, they did not manage to make it to the next round.