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News from the Classes

This week in KS1, we enjoyed a brilliant music day with Mrs Haynes on Tuesday. We enjoyed using different instruments, exploring the sounds they made and creating a rhythm. We then made our own

instruments and had our very own KS1 band.

In KS1 over the last few months, the children have been covering gymnastics in PE and on Wednesday afternoon we took a KS1 federation team of gymnasts to Eskdale School to take part in a Gymnastics Festival and what an exciting time they had with JoJo, Jake and Effie taking part from here. They took part in springboard, beam and floor events and there was even a bit of dancing in there too. The children worked so well with lots of confidence and grace. Well done to them all and thank you to Mrs Medcalf and Chair of Governors, Mrs Margetts, for going with them.



KS2: A big welcome to Hannah who has joined us from Korea. What a shock for her to be suddenly in an English school with everyone speaking English! She has fitted in brilliantly and will learn English really quickly.

In English we have continued to look into the adventures of Mr Benn. In particular, what we can do with the language to make it a better read. We have been creating the landscape backgrounds that will go with our stories.

We were really lucky to have Mrs Haynes, a music expert, in to help with our music. This time it wasn't connected with Science and this time it was more musical. The children created their own jingles to go with selling products. This ties in very nicely with our topic on Enterprise.

Since we are not travelling to Glaisdale for our PE lessons anymore, we need to change for PE at school. Therefore **PE kit should always be in school** with the children coming in their uniform. PE is normally done on a Friday morning, at the moment.

Change to KS2 Homework

We will now be marking all homework on a <u>Tuesday</u> morning. Both Maths and English will be marked and new homework given out so please have homework ready to mark on the following <u>Tuesday</u>.

Advance Notices

- Monday, 27th February Reception and Year 6 Height and Weights for the National Child Measurement Programme, 10am
- **Friday, 3rd March** "World Book Day". Although the actual day is Thursday 2nd March we will celebrate this on the Friday due to activities taking place on Thursday. As usual, we will spend time enjoying stories and books and we would like to spend the afternoon having a snuggle,

pleasurable read, so we will need comfy things for the afternoon – pyjamas, slippers, comfy blankets and cushions all help to make a read cosy. Part of the reading curriculum is reading for pleasure so we need to bring in our favourite books so we can share them with others.

• **Red Nose Day is on Friday, 24**th **March** and we, again, have some Red Noses to sell in school for £1 each which we will start selling next week

<u>Next Week</u>

Monday Swimming

Sumdog Club

Year 6 Booster Class

Wednesday Netball Club

Thursday No Music Lessons with Mr Cross

KS1 Forest Schools, morning

Years 3 & 4 to Glaisdale for Forest Schools, afternoon

Friday Break up for Half Term

News from Glaisdale

It has been another busy week in **Class 1** and Supply Teacher Mrs Scholey has been very impressed with how everyone has worked. In Literacy everyone had great fun writing an acrostic poem and they also focused on the need to use commas to separate items in a list when writing. In Numeracy lots of shopping has taken place when they used money to buy items from their class shop. In Science they sampled a variety of breads to consider the differences in look, smell and taste. The class dressed up warmly on Wednesday for Forest Schools. They thoroughly enjoyed making shelters to hide from the weather and hot chocolate and a biscuit under the big shelter was the perfect way to end the afternoon.

This week **Class 2** has investigated which country food comes from by looking at food labels and through this they have also improved their atlas skills and overall knowledge of where countries are in the world. They found it surprising how many countries food is imported from and the distances it travels. They then considered the environmental impact before looking at how much money everyone involved in getting the food here makes. In Science they have been looking at pitch and how this can be changed based on the amount of material vibrating.

PTFA Event

"Dracula, the Travesty" by Northumberland Theatre Company, Robinson Institute, Thursday, 2nd March at 7.30pm. There will be gothic inspired nibbles and tickets are £9 adults and £6 juniors up to 16 years, available from Glaisdale Shop or telephone/text Nicola on 01947 897945/07472 622243. Recommended age is 6+