



NEWSLETTER

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News from the Classes

KS1 have had another fabulous forest school session, led by Mrs Barber, in Robinson Wood! This week we were exploring, collecting pine cones, using tools (forest school peelers!) and doing singing games. Thank you to Sylvia Robinson for having us and Mrs Burns for joining us once again.

In English, we have been using our senses to explore Autumn and are creating our very own Autumn poems. We have taken inspiration from the Scottish poet Robert Burns and used the iPads to research his life and work.

On the theme of thinking of others, we are taking part in the Christmas shoe box appeal and, as a class, putting together a shoebox. The more we can create, the better, so any shoeboxes will be welcomed for collection on Thursday.

KS2: Well done to Lucy Beaumont who took part in the Whitby Rotary Club Octoberfest Run at Caedmon last Sunday, where over 14 schools were represented!

This week, KS2 have been looking more closely at where “pebbles” come from. It is amazing to think that they are over a million years old. The cliffs and rocks they have come from have certainly been bashed around (eroded) to become the size they are now. Also, the soil investigation has continued proving the fact that sediment sinks, which makes the sedimentary rocks.

On Tuesday afternoon a team of netball players went to Goathland School with Helen Medcalf and Paul Lancaster. The Netball League this year is being played over 2 afternoons (the next one is 17th November) when the schools are coming together to play each other, rather than schools having to arrange individual matches. Letters will be going out in due course to the pupils who will in the team on 17th November.

On Thursday afternoon, some of the girls took part in a Football Tournament at Eskdale School as part of a federated team with Glaisdale. They played like professionals with excellent tackling and passing skills! The Federation finished 2nd on the day which was fantastic, well done! Thank you again to Helen Medcalf for taking them, along with Polly Findlay.

KS2 will be doing Forest Schools with Mrs Barber next Wednesday – please make sure appropriate clothing and footwear are brought in.

Harvest Festival Thanks

Thank you very much for all the contributions of food for the Foodbank based at Whitby Evangelical Church (and to Becky Webster for taking it all!) and also money donations to support World Food Week, which totalled £34. It was lovely to see you all at the church to watch the harvest service and well done to the children. Thank you very much for coming.

Travelling to Events

- We are finding it increasingly difficult to book minibuses etc for sports events due to the end time of 3pm and companies now being involved with more school taxi runs and not being available at that time. We therefore may need to rely on travelling by car more. Two events coming up are Cross Country on Wednesday, 4th November (Caedmon) and the Netball League afternoon on Tuesday, 17th November (venue to be confirmed). If you your children are taking part in these events and you can offer transport, please let us know. Thank you.
- To update our records, please would you complete and return the attached slip confirming whether or not you are happy for your child/children to sit in the front if they are travelling to events by car. Thank you.

Reminders for Next Week

- **Monday – Parents Evening.** Please make appointments, if you haven't already done so (or ring to ask us to make one if you will not be in school Monday morning.) KS1 appointments from 3.20pm, KS2 from 2.30pm.
- **Thursday – Shoebox/Bag Collection.** Please can we remind everyone about the shoebox appeal. In previous years we have managed to get every child loading a shoebox into the van, to send to children in Romania so that they do actually receive some Christmas presents. Our contributions have made some children very happy and we have been proud to do this. Please can you help your child to prepare a shoebox? If you have lost the details of what to include etc sent out last week, please see Jean Blacklock for a further copy.
- **Friday – “Wear it Pink” fundraising day for Breast Cancer.** It would be lovely if everyone could wear something pink to school next Friday (23rd October) to raise money for this worthwhile cause. Please can children give any donations to the class teacher.

Event at Whitby Library, Tuesday, 27th October

On Tuesday, 27th October, Whitby Library will be teaming up with the Animated Objects Theatre Company to provide a unique small theatre experience. Inspired by the works of Jules Verne the show will run several times during the morning (9.30 to 11.30am) and features music and shadow puppetry in a wonderful underwater themed miniature theatre.

Next Week

Monday	Parents Evening Sumdog Club
Tuesday	Sewing Club
Wednesday	KS2 Forest Schools Netball Club
Thursday	Shoebox/Bag Collection
Friday	“Wear it Pink” fundraising day for Breast Cancer Research Football Club Break up for half term

News from Glaisdale

Class 1 this week have been looking at British coinage and the younger children looking at times of the day. They have also designed special stamps for the Isle of Struay. Class 2 had an exciting lesson on soil which was mucky but enjoyable and informative!

Glaisdale also held their Harvest Festival this week.

Reminder of Glaisdale PTFA events that are coming up to which all are welcome:-

- **Halloween Disco**, Friday, 23rd October from 6 to 8.30pm at Robinson Institute. There will be a tombola, face painting and games etc.
- **Halloween Spooky Tales Drama Workshop**, Robinson Institute, Wednesday, 28th October, 10am to 3pm.
- **“The Ugly Duckling”** by Northumberland Theatre Company, Robinson Institute, Saturday, 12th December, doors open 6pm, finish 8.30pm. Refreshments will be available.