



NEWSLETTER

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"Outstanding Together"

News from the Classes

It was lovely to have a whole day of forest school this week, and KS1 benefitted from the longer morning session. This meant that we had time for using tools like bow saws, hand drills and peelers, as well as hot chocolate and snack and roasting marshmallows on the fire!

Years 5 and 6 had an afternoon session and were joined by Mrs Barlow, a School Governor. They had the choices of using tools, den building and photography. We all enjoyed hot chocolate and a snack around the campfire and, of course, roasted marshmallows!

As ever, the sessions were most enjoyable as everyone participated with relaxed enthusiasm and excellent behaviour.

This week in **KS1** we have made an exciting discovery of an alien egg! We are taking good care of it whilst looking for more clues and information. This has led us to write our own, "We're going on an Alien Hunt" stories. In Maths we have been learning about capacity and made charts to present our findings.

This week in Maths, **KS2** have been looking deeper into angles - some naming, some calculations, eliminating and measuring. It is also important to know that angles are used for turn as well, so $\frac{1}{4}$ turn = 90° (please ask). The World Book Day stories have been completed, it is great to see how they have edited and improved their work in exactly the same way a real author would.

The Peter Thorpe inspired artwork is also looking great, with rockets blasting into unknown galaxies (please ask).

Thanks to all who came to see our Year 3 and 4 pupils perform at the Wider Opportunities music afternoon at Eskdale School last Friday and to Becky Webster for accompanying our children. They have been working very hard on Friday mornings with Mr Cross to learn the pieces that were played and it sounded extraordinary! If your child would like to pick up or continue to learn an instrument the Whitby Music Centre open morning is this Saturday (the 19th) at Eskdale School. Details with last week's Newsletter.

Years 3 and 4 from here and Glaisdale had a great time and thoroughly enjoyed themselves at the Multiskills on Wednesday afternoon at Eskdale School. Mrs Peacock and Mrs Medcalf said there was good behaviour, laughter, fun, team work (including with children from other schools) and everyone participated fully. They were a credit to both schools. Several children said what a great time they'd had!

Internet Safety

We have received the following information from PCSO Bean:-

"In the parent Internet safety sessions a few parents were asking how to set up their computers etc so that the settings were safe and private. Please see the below service that the NSPCC are offering:

Keeping our children safe online

The NSPCC and O2 are working in partnership to help keep children safe online. They have launched a new helpline which can give advice and support about how to set up parent controls, privacy settings, understanding social networks, apps and games. Anyone can use this helpline free of charge and it's available 7 days a week. The number is 0808 800 5002.

In addition, O2 are offering free in-store consultations with parents, children and young people and the public who have questions relating to their child's online safety on tablets, mobile phones and laptops. Call into store or book an appointment via the O2 website.

If you want to find out more about the apps that children and young people are using, please visit NSPCC net aware – www.net-aware.org.uk

NSPCC's Share Aware has ideas on conversation starters that you can use with your child and advice about staying safe online. There are also two excellent clips to show children about the importance of being 'Share Aware'."

Head Lice

Please will you continue to routinely check your child's hair for head lice. There are lots of resources and leaflets at www.onceaweektakeapeek.com. Alternatively, contact your Doctor for free prescriptions and free aids.

PTFA Events

- **Tomorrow - Coffee Morning.** Help in the morning would be appreciated please!
- **Monday Night - Bingo.** Help on the night would be appreciated please!
- **Next Thursday afternoon in school - Decorated Easter Eggs & Bonnets and Easter Egg Hunt.** See enclosed flier for details.

Drama Workshop at Ley Hall, Lealholm on Friday, 1st April

Stephen Joseph Theatre Outreach are coming to Lealholm on Friday, 1st April to deliver a day's drama workshop for 7 to 13 year olds. It promises to be fun (April Fools' theme!) and will run from 10am to 3pm (showing for parents at 2.45pm). Children need to bring a packed lunch and jokes! Cost is £10 for the day and Booking Forms are in the school office (must be completed and returned before we break up). The day has been arranged for the benefit of local children, is non-profit making, by Glaisdale PTFA, Beggar's Bridge Players and Stephen Joseph Theatre.

Next Week

Tomorrow	PTFA Coffee Morning, 10am to 12, Castleton Village Hall
Monday	Final swimming session Sumdog Club Year 6 Booster Club
Tuesday	PTFA Bingo, 6 for 6.30pm, Castleton Village Hall
Wednesday	Sewing Club
Thursday	Netball Club PTFA Decorated Easter Eggs and Bonnets and Easter Egg Hunt

Break up for Easter. Children return to school on Tuesday, 12th April.

News from Glaisdale

Class 1 has just about completed their Starry Night pictures and they are fantastic – Van Gogh, himself, would be impressed! In English they have been innovating their story of "Here Come the Aliens" to create their own versions, as well as working on comprehension skills and recognising and defining word classes. Maths has focused on fractions of shapes and numbers and History and Science has been combined to think about how astronauts keep warm in space and investigating which materials are best for ensuring this.

In Literacy this week, **Class 2** has focused on the role of punctuation in dialogue. In Maths they have investigated perimeter and Science has seen them making spinners to investigate air resistance.

PTFA: There was a fantastic turnout at the Easter Bingo on Tuesday and £263.25 was raised!