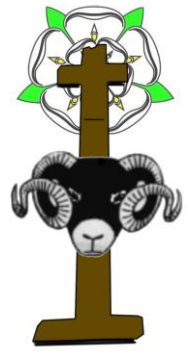




Glaisdale Primary School

NEWSLETTER

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"Outstanding Together"

Class 2

This week the children have continued their work based around perimeter in maths. In English, they used old school logs and diaries to collect quotes for future use when they will be writing about changes in the school. In art, they have completed some work on David Hockney and have explored the ephemeral work of Andy Goldsworthy. The children were very taken with his environmental art, which we will be aiming to emulate in future lessons.

Class 1

This week our focus in maths has been on distinguishing between flat and solid shapes, and exploring the properties of 2D shapes. In English, we have compared different versions of Jack and the Beanstalk, acting as detectives to find where differences and similarities occur and suggesting why there are differences. This led to the children innovating the story to give it a modern setting and theme. We have spent some time this week looking at the continents and oceans of the world in Geography, branching into the components of the United Kingdom, its countries, capital cities and flags. After spending some time exploring the gardens to locate and photograph flowers with differing colours, shapes and patterns, we practised sketching leaves and petals to give a realistic representation of them. This is further preparation for a future project to emulate Van Gogh's Sunflower paintings.

Class 1 request

Please could all children bring their jotters to school each day. They are welcome to take them home each night and on a weekend but there are often opportunities for them to be used during the school day. Thank you.

Rotary Club

Congratulations to Year 6 children who took part in the Rotary Club competition aimed at designing and making a glider which could demonstrate uplift. After a great deal of research and trial and error, the children constructed a wonderful glider and created a portfolio of their efforts. On the day their glider performed very well, with the team coming in a very creditable second overall.

Forest Schools and Rounders

Next Thursday (22nd), the Year 5/6 children are entering the Rounders competition at Caedmon College, Whitby (see letter **attached**). Due to this, they will be unable to attend Forest Schools on this day. The Year 3/4 children will, therefore, be participating in Forest Schools on this day instead so please ensure they come to school that day in appropriate clothing with wellies, coat, sunhat and sun-cream.

P.E.kits

To enable us to practise for the upcoming sports day and to allow us to take advantage of the Summer weather, we would be grateful if all children could keep their PE kits in school for the full week. They can be taken home at weekends to be washed and returned the next Monday. Thank you.

“Hit the Surf” – Tues 27th June 2017 – lunch arrangements

Apologies for the confusion over the arrangements for lunch on the day the children go. Lunch will be served as normal that day but just a little earlier, so there'll be plenty of time to get there. Packed lunches will not be provided as the children will eat in school before they go.

PTFA Sponsored Walk

The PTFA are arranging a sponsored walk after school on Wed 5th July. This will be in place of the Summer Fayre and more details will follow in due course.

Bonus Ball winner - 10/6/17 – no.2 – Helen Purtill.

Diary dates for the week commencing 19th June

Mon 19th: Relax Kids Club after school

Thurs 22nd: Yrs 5 & 6 – Rounders at Caedmon College (3pm-5pm)

Yrs 3 & 4 - Forest Schools (pm)

Fri 23rd: Voice Conference in Scarborough (letters out to only those children offered a place)

Whitby District Lions Club - Paint Run – Sunday 27th August 2017

Please see the flyer **attached** for details on this event.

News from Castleton Classes

This week in **KS1** we walked down to the River Esk and used our senses to explore the river. We used this experience to create some lovely river poems. In History we have been researching George Stephenson and exploring the history of railways.

We are eagerly awaiting the arrival of our chicks and can hear lots of cheeping from the incubator. We will keep you informed of any new feathery additions to our class.

KS2: As years 5 and 6 were out on their bikes getting trained in cycle safety, the years 3 and 4 looked at the features of a river. We made a model of the river course from source to mouth looking at the upper, middle and lower course features. There has been some interesting vocabulary to learn and in particular it is important not to mix up source and sauce, current and currant (please ask). It was interesting that the years 3 and 4 then had the job to teach the years 5 and 6 how the river features work. We have started to look at the River Esk from source to mouth using geographical evidence, maps, satellite pictures and photographs.

In Maths we have mostly mastered fractions of amounts; we needed to see it as part of dividing.

On Monday and Tuesday, years 5 and 6 were busy completing their Bikability qualifications. This is a scheme aimed at educating the children on basic cycling skills, with a special focus on keeping safe while cycling on the road. The instructors were full of praise for the children, their behaviour and the huge improvement they all made during the two days. Every single child on the course received both their Level 1 and Level 2 qualifications. Well done!

On Thursday afternoon year 6 went to the final of the Rotary Club DT competition at Goathland Village Hall. This was a project to design a glider incorporating many elements of Science. The whole class had been researching, designing and testing their own gliders. Year 6 worked very hard on their design, really understood the concepts and applied them superbly. They were not placed in the top 2 of the competition but had a great afternoon – well-earned after all the hard work they have put into this year!