



# NEWSLETTER

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## News from the Classes

This week **KS1** have been exploring the sunflower seed life cycle and have enjoyed watching our sunflowers grow. We have also written some great explanations about the sunflower seed life cycle. In Art we have enjoyed learning about Van Gogh and used tints and tones to create some fantastic sunflower paintings in the style of Van Gogh.

Well done to the year 2 children who completed SATs this week. They all demonstrated such a positive attitude and even enjoyed themselves!

**KS2** have had a lovely week. We have written up our balanced discussions for the Trimdon Colliery mining disaster! This is a tricky text type that the children will encounter more during their later education, so hopefully now they will all have a head start!

In Maths, the children were moving on from number patterns to look at function machines. This involved considering the four basic mathematical operations in detail, particularly inverse relationships. The children were excellent maths detectives in working out the unknown operations from the inputs and outputs that went into and came out of the "machines".

In Science and Geography the children have finished off their study of soils and worms and their habitats. We have also studied the structure of the earth, as a precursor to our class story for next half term: "Journey to the Centre of the Earth". This included a look at continental drift and a sneak peek at what scientists believe our continents will look like 250 million years into the future!

**Strange request of the week!** Please can you seek and search some old socks, the longer the better, the lighter colour the better, for after half term. Hopefully they will be magically transformed into something arty, creative and wormy!

## Forest Schools



This half term, Year 5 from both here and Glaisdale have been very busy at Forest School. They were set the challenge of building a ladder, strong enough to hold a group member to climb, in order to make a charcoal mark as high up a tree as possible. They thought that this would be impossible at first, but after learning how to tie a Clove Hitch and do Square Lashing, they soon grew in confidence. As the weeks progressed, the groups took shape and so did the ladders. Everyone learnt something valuable from the challenge; whether it was knot tying, connecting pieces of wood securely, organising themselves and their group, how to lean a ladder up against a tree so that it is safe, or how brave they are when it comes to climbing ladders! There was also lots



of opportunity for reflection on how successful each group was, and why. Well done to all the Year 5s! Next half term it is the turn of year 6 to have their Forest School sessions on Wednesday afternoons.

## Social, Emotional, Health and Wellbeing

We have continued to look at the Islamic Faith and explored Ramadam. It has been interesting finding out about different cultures and traditions.

## *New General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)*

As from today (25th May 2018) the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) will replace the Data Protection Act 1998. In preparation for this we have appointed Veritau Ltd to be our Data Protection Officer (DPO), and have updated our privacy policy to reflect these changes, a copy of the policy is available on our website.

The role of the DPO is to ensure that the schools are compliant with GDPR and to oversee data protection procedures. If you have any questions about how GDPR affects you, or how our school is preparing, you can contact Veritau, their contact details are:

Information Governance  
Veritau Ltd  
County Hall  
Racecourse Lane  
Northallerton  
DL7 8AL

## *Uniform - New Ordering Process*

Uniform should now be ordered direct from Esk Valley Embroidery and Mrs Blacklock has Order Forms for this. Alternatively you will be able to order online from them at <https://esk-valley.myshopify.com> or through their Facebook page. In the meantime, we do still have some uniform in school so please check if we have anything you need as we will need to sell this stock.

## *Events and Activities*

### **Whole School Photograph now on Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> June**

Due to us being unable to take the school photograph outside this morning because of the weather, it has been re-arranged for 9am on Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> June

### **Esklets Pre-School - Back to School Disco - Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> June**

Esklets are holding a "Back to School Disco" on Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> June, 7pm to midnight with music from Woody's Disco and a two course school dinner of sausage and mash followed by spotted dick and custard. There will also be a Tuck Shop, Bar and photos. Dress code is school uniform (encouraged but not compulsory!) Tickets £20 available from Esklets.

### **Moorsholm Youth Club Celebration Event - Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> June**

Please see the attached flier about the above event.

## *Week Beginning 4<sup>th</sup> June*

<b>Monday</b>	Return to School National Park Assembly, 10.30am
<b>Tuesday</b>	Years 4 & 5 Orienteering at Caedmon College Whitby, 1pm to 3pm. <b>All outstanding permission slips to be returned on Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> June</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	Year 6 Forest Schools, afternoon Netball Club
<b>Thursday</b>	KS1 Forest Schools, morning
<b>Friday</b>	Football Club

## *News from Glaisdale*

Year 4 came 3rd in the Drax cricket final held at Pickering on Tuesday. Thank you to Mrs Scholey for accompanying the children and well done to all the children who took part, all of whom played very well.

**New Admin Assistant:** Today Glaisdale said a sad farewell to Mrs Ashton-Wickett who has done an excellent job as secretary, keeping them all organised; we wish her all the best in her future role. Mrs Louise Bennett has been appointed and she will take up the post on Friday, 8th June. Therefore, during the first week after half term, office enquiries and other basic admin duties will be covered by headteachers, Mr Hutt or Mrs. Markham.