

# A fortnightly newsletter from your headteacher...

What a busy start to the Summer term and having to close a class bubble due to a positive COVID-19 case was not the start I had hoped for. Most importantly everyone is safe and once again thank you to everyone's united efforts we have one class self isolating, remote learning through our Google Classroom platform and school is open as normal for all other children. As the roadmap is opening up to more mixing in general, it is a reminder of the importance for everyone to continue to be as careful as possible.

**Class 1** have continued with their space fact books and are enjoying their new class text 'Bob Man on the Moon'. They have written lots of questions to ask Bob to find out more about him. They have also started writing about the story. The Nursery children have started making their rockets and are enjoying the topic.

In Forest School, all the children made wild garlic soup. They chopped up the garlic leaves, then added the onions and vegetable stock. This was then boiled up! Everyone tasted it and some wanted seconds!



**Class 2** have been using their text 'Flotsam' to write adverts and have drafted a letter to a supermarket about singleuse plastic and the damage it can do to our oceans and marine life, as well as the effects it can have on humans. This was a cross-curricular link with their topic work Water, Water Everywhere. In science they have explored seed dispersal and really enjoyed testing their paper 'helicopter seeds' based on sycamore seeds. They have begun planning investigations for plants which they are excited to put into practice on their return to school. In art and music with Miss Wilkie they have continued their water colour paintings and are learning to play the glockenspiels! In PE they have been developing their balance and agility through gymnastics and they have enjoyed using the apparatus for the first time in a long time.



**Class 3** have been writing explanation texts about why we have night and day. They have also had great fun in cricket and have been looking at co-ordinates and translation in maths. Further to this, they have been lucky enough to use the school's new Chromebooks this week to complete their work. The children really enjoyed the new technology, a huge thank you to FOHS for their fundraising and contribution to the cost of these.

The children have been illustrators this week and created abstract art using Kandinsky as inspiration. In P.E. they created games for the 'Play Makers' Award and tested them out. The children worked really well together.

### Friday 23 April Awards

# Class 1, Mrs Jackson.

Bird Award – Wilfred Kirk for completing lots of activities independently, including writing numbers and repeating patterns. Wilfred is so enthusiastic and loves to share his thoughts or knowledge during our whole class topic learning.

Headteacher's sticker – Eliza White. For her challenge in topic of making a fact book about space. Eliza is so interested in our new topic, she has been watching the news and told us all about NASA's robot landing on Mars! Handwriter of the week – Phoebe Ramsden. For trying so hard to form her letters in the cursive style. Phoebe has grown in confidence with her writing and has made fantastic progress.

# Class 2, Miss Goodchild.

Bird Award – Holly who always works very hard but this week she worked particularly hard with her camera advert, making edits and improvements. She also tried hard to keep her handwriting joined whilst publishing it. Great work Holly.

Headteacher's sticker – Anna for her hard work with Miss Wilkie in her maths group and gaining some confidence back.

Timmy for his effort writing up his advert, even though it went wrong the first time he persevered-well done Timmy.

Jessica Brown for a much-improved score in her grammar on Century Tech this week.

Handwriter of the week – Isabel T for trying extra hard to keep her handwriting neat whilst publishing her advert for a vintage camera from our book Flotsam.

# Class 3, Mrs Watson, Mr Houghton and Miss Bennett.

Bird Award – Bethan for her superb attitude and for being a fountain of knowledge on 'Space'.

Headteacher's sticker – Harriet for her use of mathematical vocabulary during her co-ordinates, reflection and translation work. Freddie for his organisational skills.

Handwriter of the week – Seb for his effort in handwriting and presentation of his explanation text about night and day.

## **Miss Goodchild Superstars:**

Class 1: Wilfred K and Phoebe L

Class 2: Annabel and Jessica H

Class 3: Charlie Hannah and Charlie Harker

Third awards: Annabel and Anna

Congratulations to Esme H for completing the Race for life 5km!

#### Friday 30 April Awards

# Class 1, Mrs Jackson.

Bird Award – Ellie for the progress she has made in reading and writing. Ellie is extremely enthusiastic and is proud of her achievements.

*Headteacher's sticker* – Daisy for her enthusiastic participation in PE with Mr Shimwell.

Eliza B for her cheerful nature and disposition, and for being so caring and sharing with all her friends.

Handwriter of the week – Charlie for becoming more confident in writing and having a go. Well done, Charlie. Class 2, Miss Goodchild.

Bird Award – Gabby for her effort in maths, she is really persevering with questions she finds tricky. *Headteacher's sticker* – Rhys, Esme B and Esme H for brilliant first drafts on their single-use plastic letters. Handwriter of the week – Poppy for consistently neat handwriting and presentation in all her books.

# Class 3. Mr Chapman.

Bird Award – Seb for using light and dark to build up a vividly abstract cosmic scene.

Headteacher's sticker – Bethan for her encouragement of others during P.E.

Handwriter of the week – Dominic for presenting his work well in a range of subjects and in particular with his persuasive writing and his mathematical drawings.

As you know I am continuing to host my Friday Celebration Zoom Assembly. This is an opportunity for all our classes / children in school and those remote learning at home, alongside you the parents/carers, to still be able to all come together at the end of the week to celebrate individual and group achievements. As always everyone is warmly invited.

Celebration Assembly invite .

Topic: HUSTHWAITE Friday Celebration Assembly
Time: Apr 30, 2021 02:00 PM
May 7, 2021 02:00 PM
May 14, 2021 02:00 PM
May 21, 2021 02:00 PM
May 22, 2021 02:00 PM
Please download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system.

Weekly: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZYqdemtpjkqE9Gr8gylwam5o4raUdAg6\_nR/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGqqTkqH9yXsBCCRpwQB4joc\_xiHpfj\_p6jkfiGglEYw6j0bZQM4d7Md-G
Join Zoom Meeting
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82720582095?pwd=TmZOczNPT1g1WIRaYU04TVVhdlIKdz09
Meeting ID: 827 2058 2095
Passcode: 743347

Have a relaxing Bank Holiday weekend. We look forward to seeing the children on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May.

#### NOTICES:

 Date for your diary - A display of over 30 tableaux illustrating popular Bible stories is coming to Easingwold Parish Church from 2 – 7 July 2021! These comprise knitted characters: Moses, Noah, Jacob etc., in appropriate surroundings. Further information to follow.

#### **DIARY DATES:**

20 May	Class 2 visit to the Hideaway, stream and pond dipping
21 May (9am)	Bags2School Collection
10 June	Class 1 Educational visit to Duncombe Park
14 June	Class photographs
17 June (am)	Apple Tree Nursery Open Morning. Please book a slot with Husthwaite school office