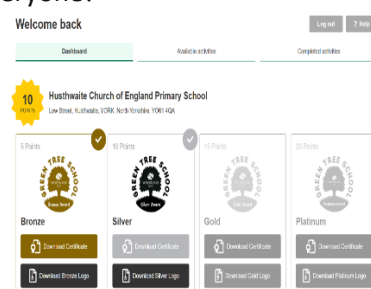




## Your final spring term fortnightly note from your Headteacher ...

Once again, we have had a very busy final fortnight to the spring term.

Last week the children met in their pupil voice groups again and the HEGG (Hustwaite Eco and Gardening Group) completed their Queen's Green Canopy task. The group applied to be part of the special project back in October 2021 and the trees arrived just in time for the March meeting. The Queen's Green Canopy (QGC) is a unique tree planting initiative created to mark Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee in 2022 which invites people from across the United Kingdom to "Plant a Tree for the Jubilee". We are excited to have been a part of it at Hustwaite, the school has planted trees for lots of occasions over the years including back in 2012 for the Queen's diamond jubilee! The HEGG group joined up with the Healthy Schools Group to plant 30 tree saplings along the top pitch area. They all worked brilliantly together and made quick work of the planting. Amazing Job Everyone!



The HEGG group are also excited to have secured the Woodland Trust Silver award. We have had the bronze award for a while and the children led the Woodland Trust assembly: The Man Who Planted Trees linked to the work they were doing on the QGC. We are also looking to improve our RHS award from Level 2 to Level 3 by the end of the year.

The children also enjoyed the unexpected snow last week!



On Monday Mr Chapman accompanied our Year 5 and 6 Netball team to a cluster tournament at Easingwold Primary School. The children were fantastic and a credit to the school. They worked so hard on the court and came away with 2<sup>nd</sup> place medals.



A huge thanks to FOHS for arranging the much loved school disco yesterday, we certainly had some movers on the dancefloor!



Also a huge thank you to all who purchased a Friends of Husthwaite school knitted Easter chick with creme eggs.

Yesterday Class 1 thoroughly enjoyed a visit to Helmsley Castle. There were lots of steep banks and slippery steps, but everyone worked as a team and followed instructions. They saw where the great hall once stood, sat inside the huge fireplaces and discovered that the buttery was actually where the beer was stored! Unfortunately, just as we sat down to eat our lunch the heavens opened! However, everyone enjoyed themselves and it was a great finale to our castles topic.



Class 2 thoroughly enjoyed performing their 'The Romans' production to parents this week. The performance was word perfect with some fabulous singing and was very much enjoyed by all. The children were super confident on stage and we most certainly have some actors and actresses in the making! A huge thank you to Miss Goodchild, Miss Wilkie and all of Class 2 for all their hard work.



In the classroom Class 2 completed their Roman Topic by experiencing Pompeii and the eruption of Mount Vesuvius! They have done further performance work, learning a poem called the Legacy of Rome (In 40 words) off by heart and are looking forward to performing a poem at our Easter Service in church. Another highlight on top of their play this fortnight has been their outdoor curriculum work. They have thoroughly enjoyed gardening and getting creative in Forest Schools. The children built a new planter and then set up all the raised beds with new mulch (just ask them how many buckets they've carried over the last 2 weeks!) ready to plant some seeds after the Easter holidays. They have weeded all the garden beds and pots and planted a few new plants. With Mr Houghton the children have made their own pencils using natural materials and made charcoal before using them to do some really quite beautiful sketches to go in their willow frames they made themselves.



Class 3 have continued working hard to the end of term. Over the last two weeks in PE, they perfected their haka dances and then watched the videos back to evaluate them noting their creativity, fluency and musicality. In DT, the children have had an incredible time adapting their chocolate recipes, adding ingredients and putting them in their wrappers. Their English work has had them looking back through pieces they have written so far this year. The children have spent time editing and improving previous work further developing their proof-reading skills and applying new learnt knowledge to make their writing even better than it was the first time round. Finally, the Class 3 Collective Worship Team have delivered their assembly to the whole school. They worked really hard to ensure it had all the features of a collective worship at Husthwaite CE Primary School.



We look forward to seeing you at our Easter Service at St Nicholas' this morning at 9.30am. Everyone warmly invited of course.

### Friday 1 April Awards

**Class 1, Mrs Jackson.**

*Bird Award* –Ethan for working hard all week, both in his maths and writing. Ethan has listened to advice on how to improve his work.

*Headteacher's sticker* – Isla G for making very tasty jam tarts as part of our nursery rhyme focus 'The Queen of Hearts!' This linked to our Class 1 castles topic.

*Handwriter of the week* – Evie for all her handwriting this week! Evie has written about the character of Zog, as well as Zog rhyming words. She has formed her letters correctly and used a range of digraphs accurately in her writing.

**Class 2, Miss Goodchild.**

*Bird Award* – Charlie S for sharing his excellent knowledge of volcanoes and writing a good step by step explanation of how they erupt.

*Headteacher's sticker* – Timmy for working hard at reading with expression and his discussion in guided reading. He noticed lots of metaphors and explained them clearly.

*Handwriter of the week* – Millie for making a conscious effort to improve.

**Class 3, Mr Chapman.**

*Bird Award* – Evelyn for her determination in maths, particularly with our tricky protractor work.

*Headteacher's sticker* – Millie for her knowledge and positive energy in French (she was the last person standing in our Knockout Number Quiz!)

*Handwriter of the week* – Harriet for her consistency in handwriting across all areas of the curriculum.

**Miss Goodchild's Superstars:**

**Class 1:** Wilf

**Class 2:** Eliza M

**Class 3:** Seb

Have an enjoyable and relaxing Easter holiday and we look forward to seeing all the children back in school on Monday 25 April.

**NOTICES:**

- FOHS (Friends' of Husthwaite School) events. FOHS are always looking for additional parents/carers that can give any amount of time to help organise and run school events for our whole school community to enjoy. Next meeting Wednesday 27 April, 7.30pm at Husthwaite Pub, new and old parents very welcome.
- 17 July 'Rat Race' An exciting assault course event for the families of Husthwaite School and other daring, athletic and fun loving local young people to be held on the Newburgh Priory Estate. FOHS are putting out a

plea for helpers - please let the school office know if you would be available to help The FOHS Rat Race Crew and Miss Bennett on the day of the race.

The FOHS 'Hustwaite Rat Race' logo competition was won by Mollie F, runners up were William H and Millie F. We are sure you will agree it is a fabulous logo for this exciting event!



- **COVID-19 CURRENT ADVICE**

For your information the NHS [COVID-19 symptoms in adults](#) and [symptoms in children](#) have been updated. Adults and children who have symptoms of a respiratory infection, including COVID-19, should follow the [UKHSA guidance](#).

Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people, where they can. They can go back to school, college or childcare and resume normal activities when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend.

8 April	Easter Service 9.30am St Nicholas' Church. Everyone warmly invited. Break up for the Easter holiday at 2.30pm
25 April	School reopens for the summer term
28 April	Young Voices
2 May	Bank Holiday School Closed
9 – 12 May	KS2 SATS week
19 May	Federation Years 3 & 4 Carlton Lodge residential information meeting, 5pm Zoom.
23 – 26 May	School Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration Week
25 May	Afternoon Street Party. Parents and community welcome to join us for our royal celebrations on the playground 2.30pm – 3pm.