

'Sowing Seeds – Bearing Fruit – Harvesting Potential'

Your fortnightly note from your Headteacher ...

A busy final fortnight of this half term.

Last week Class 1 continued their topic work based on the UK and learnt facts about Wales. Everyone made and ate Welsh cakes and tried to say some words in Welsh! In Forest School the children made dens with Mr Houghton. They continued their outdoor learning by planting potatoes, beans and other seeds into the Class 1 growing box which they are looking forward to caring for and watching grow! Of course, they have also enjoyed their Platinum Jubilee celebrations, learning about our Queen, making crowns and flags.









Class 2 have been very busy the last two weeks. Year 2 have done their SATs alongside all their other learning and have been absolutely fantastic! Amazing job Year 2, you have made Miss Goodchild and Miss Wilkie so proud. In Science they have done an experiment with plants over time and been keeping a bean diary. Years 3 and 4 have also been busy exploring conductors and insulators in electricity, finding out that metals are very good electrical conductors and plastic and rubber make very good electrical insulators. As a whole class they have enjoyed starting their new class text: How to Train a Dragon, as well as enjoying a special text for jubilee week called There Once is a Queen by Michael Morpurgo (and yes, they did discuss the grammar of the title!) This week the children have thrown themselves into jubilee week and have put their previous learning to good use. Writing a biography on Queen Elizabeth II in English, measuring to make their jubilee crowns in Maths and put their repeating pattern, ordering and multiple skills into practice for their cake decorating activity. Although, Miss Goodchild believes the children found the best bit of that particular activity was the eating at the end!









Class 3 have continued working hard up to the half term. In their Science lessons they have been investigating reflection, refraction and making rainbows. Their English work has been based around the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and they have been looking into journalistic writing and have written their own reports based centred around the jubilee celebrations.





Friday 20th May Awards

Class 1, Mrs Jackson.

Bird Award – Wilf B for his work in computing, learning about algo rhythms and coding.

Headteacher's sticker – William H for his work in maths finding half of a shape.

Handwriter of the week – Beatrix for always checking with an adult that her writing contains the correct digraph.

Class 2, Miss Goodchild.

Bird Award – Sofia for her amazing Ukrainian clothes day project.

Headteacher's sticker – Niamh for showing her working out in maths and using working out to check answers. Special mention to all Year 2s.

Handwriter of the week – Eliza W for continuous improvement to her handwriting as the year has gone on.

Class 3, Mr Chapman.

Bird Award – BOB for his subject knowledge particularly in topic and science, using technical vocabulary well. Headteacher's sticker – Jess C, Isabel and Evelyn for restarting lunchtime colouring club – it's been really popular! Handwriter of the week – Presenting ideas well across the curriculum.

Miss Goodchild's Superstars:

Class 1: William P Class 2: Heidi

Class 3: Joe and Jessica B

Celebrating The Queen's Platinum Jubilee this week has been a memorable experience for all. As well as learning lots about this special event in history. Our HEGG (Husthwaite Eco Gardening Group) pupil voice group and all classes thoroughly enjoyed planting some new trees on our site as part of The Queen's Green canopy Platinum Jubilee Project.



Highlights of the week have included a Dancing Through The Decades workshop, a special school picnic lunch and of course our Afternoon Jubilee British Tea Party! It was so lovely that so many parents, family and members of our school community including governors and Rev Katie came to join us. Thanks so much to all our baker's for the fabulous cakes!











As you know tomorrow is a training day and school is closed, therefore there will be no **Friday Celebration assembly**. Have a fantastic half term holiday next week and enjoy the additional bank holiday celebrating the Queen's Jubilee.

We look forward to welcoming the children back into school on Monday 6th June for the second half of the summer term.

NOTICES:

• Little Wandle. We would like to inform you that after half term we are implementing a new phonics programme to support the teaching and learning of phonics, reading and writing. KS1 children will be bringing home some of our new reading books and further information for parents and how you can support your child at home with phonics and reading will follow.



• FOHS. Many thanks to all who attended last night's event planning meeting. As you know on Sunday 17 July it is the 'Husthwaite Rat Race' An exciting obstacle 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.



Children of Husthwaite school are automatically registered at no cost and will be in the 10am Husthwaite School wave to start the race on the day.

Your child has received a 'Husthwaite Rat Race Pack' which included an information sheet, sponsorship form and t-shirt order form.

For friends and family to sign up please go to:

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/husthwaite-rat-race-tickets-305727768987

Remember all proceeds are going towards outdoor educational equipment and resources. Our Epic Improvers pupil voice group are really hoping we raise enough to get some new permanent outdoor

equipment for everyone to enjoy. There will be a prize for the child at Husthwaite who raises the most money.

Do visit The Husthwaite Rat Race Facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/events/s/husthwaite-rat-race/365178985558760/

• The Beckwith Bequest

Please can we remind all parents and carers of the Beckwith Bequest who give grants to eligible people of all ages who live in, or have been educated in, the parishes of Easingwold or Husthwaite in North Yorkshire. Grants are to help with the costs of education, for example uniform, residential trips, instruments, books etc. Please see our website for further information and application forms.

COVID-19 CURRENT ADVICE

For your information the NHS <u>COVID-19 symptoms in adults</u> and <u>symptoms in children</u> have been updated. Adults and children who have symptoms of a respiratory infection, including COVID-19, should follow the <u>UKHSA guidance</u>.

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. If a child or young person has a positive COVID-19 test result they should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days after the day they took the test, if they can. After 3 days, if they feel well and do not have a high temperature, the risk of passing the infection on to others is much lower. This is because children and young people tend to be infectious to other people for less time than adults.

DIARY DATES:

Staff training day – School Closed	
Back to school for summer term 2	
Class 2 Trip to the Jorvik Centre in York.	
Husthwaite Apple Tree Nursery 'Stay and Play' session will recommence, the second Friday of	
every month in term time. An opportunity for babies and toddlers to come with an adult and	
join our Nursery children for an hour of activities/play inside and out with refreshments for	
adults kindly provided by St Nicholas' Church.	
Sports and Health Curriculum week	
Sports Afternoon parents invited	
Class 3 Play parents invited – times tbc	
School open morning for perspective parents	
Years 3 and 4 Federation Carlton Lodge Residential	
Husthwaite Rat Race Public Family Event – Newburgh Priory Estate.	
Federation Seaside Trip	
Leaver's Assembly at St Nicholas' parents invited 9.30am	