



## 'Sowing Seeds – Bearing Fruit – Harvesting Potential'

Your fortnightly note from your Headteacher ...

It has been another super busy fortnight for all! Class 1 are loving their dinosaur topic and this week they were visited by 'Dinostar' (thank you to FOHS who subsidised this visit) which was an amazing hands on dinosaur experience. The children were fascinated by the large skull of an allosaurus. They learnt lots of new facts and got to handle different fossils, such as the tooth of a T-Rex and the claw of a camarasaurus. Measuring the footprint of the T-Rex was a highlight!. The children continued their topic of dinosaurs in Forest School, where they have made shelters for nests with dinosaur eggs in and they thoroughly enjoyed sculpting their own clay dinosaur models.



Class 2 have been investigating the effects of different drinks on the enamel of their teeth using boiled eggs as substitutes! The shells of the eggs are similar to tooth enamel. They have started their new RE topic 'Incarnation and trinity' and began by finding out what this meant and then looking at the symbolism of water, which will lead onto the baptism of John by Jesus. The children thoroughly enjoyed working outside and thought of lots of words connected to water in groups before deciding on their top five and washing the others away! In computing they then created WordArt using the laptops based on their five words.



Class 3 have been weaving in DT. They created their own looms and have woven paper to create some masterful pieces. They have also been immersing themselves in music: they have been learning to play the ukulele; further to this they had a wonderful trip to Ampleforth College to watch a performance of Footloose! The children as always were impeccably behaved and they all had a brilliant time, many thanks to FOHS for funding the transport. "My favourite parts in footloose were the disco ball and the ice lollies."

"I enjoyed everything of the show; it was amazing. The best bit was the country dancing because I love country dancing!"



A huge congratulations and thanks to Jessica B in Class 3 who represented the Federation alongside fellow rider at Sessay, Zara at the Northallerton National Schools Equestrian Association (NSEA) indoor show jumping event last Saturday. Jessica was placed fifth representing the Federation and she most certainly should be very proud of herself as we all are. If your child is interested in joining the Federation team, please email our team manager Mrs Brown directly at [pbrown410@btinternet.com](mailto:pbrown410@btinternet.com) for further information.



### Friday 14 January Awards

#### Class 1, Mrs Jackson.

*Bird Award* – Beatrix for applying her phonics in writing, both in the outdoor provision as well as in her phonics lesson.

*Headteacher's sticker* – Daisy for her excellent work in maths, setting her work out neatly in her book with one number in each square. William A for excellent work in maths, trying so hard and setting his work out neatly.

*Handwriter of the week* – Ethan for trying hard to join his handwriting.

#### Class 2, Miss Goodchild.

*Bird Award* – Charlie S for excellent science investigation observations and recording.

*Headteacher's sticker* – Rhys for helping younger members of the class.

*Handwriter of the week* – Esme for beginning to join her handwriting more consistently.

#### Class 3, Mr Chapman.

*Bird Award* – Izzy for attention to detail when drawing line graphs.

*Headteacher's sticker* – Daniel for his perseverance when paper weaving in DT.

*Handwriter of the week* – Stella for her improved letter and number formation. Keep it up please.

#### Miss Goodchild's Superstars:

**Class 1: Ellie and Evie**

**Class 2: Bryony and Holly**

**Class 3: Isabel**

### Friday 21 January Awards

#### Class 1, Mrs Jackson.

*Bird Award* – Wilf B for a brilliant week - he has worked so hard in all subject areas, including maths, RE and English. Keep it up Wilf!

*Headteacher's stickers* – Ellie for her hard work in phonics and writing this week. Wilf K for his amazing dinosaur knowledge!

*Handwriter of the week* – William P for trying hard to write with correct letter formation in phonics.

#### Class 2, Miss Goodchild.

*Bird Award* – Sare for always working hard and doing all her work with a smile.

*Headteacher's sticker* – Freddie for a great return to school this week, he has transitioned back from remote to school learning.

*Handwriter of the week* – Oliver for trying hard with his cursive handwriting and presentation.

#### Class 3, Mr Chapman.

*Bird Award* – Millie for finding shortcuts and then debugging errors in spreadsheets.

*Headteacher's sticker* – Jess H for her working and playing positively and being inclusive, in line with our collective worship value, Justice.

*Handwriter of the week* – Esme for her conscious effort to improve.

#### Miss Goodchild's Superstars:

**Class 3: Esme and Lily**

This afternoon you are warmly welcome to **Friday Celebration assembly** in the school hall at 2.50pm, this half term being hosted by Miss Goodchild. Today please can we politely ask that you LFD test before attending and wear a mask in school.

Have a great weekend.

**NOTICES:**

- For your information our external Wrap around Care provider ‘Treetops at Husthwaite’ is closing at the end of this half term, Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February. We thank Helen Morris for all her hard work and providing this essential service over what has been a very challenging 2 years since opening in February 2020. We want to reassure all parents that we as a school and governing body will once again be running this service. Husthwaite before and after school club hours will be 8am – 6pm. Mrs Turner (supervisor), Mrs Hamilton and Miss Wilkie will continue to staff this important provision and ensure a seamless transition for all children that already attend. Later this half term registration packs and bookings will be taken by Mrs Dixon in the school office for the Spring 2 half term.
- As you know we have been holding Parent Governor Nominations and I would like to say congratulations and thank you to Liz Hebdon for once again putting herself forward for Parent Governor. She will represent you all, the parents of the Federation for the next 4 years in office. Please don’t ever hesitate to contact Liz who has children in Classes 1 and 3 if you have any queries, concerns or need any governor support. Liz is available by email [lhebdon@husthwaite.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:lhebdon@husthwaite.n-yorks.sch.uk)

10 <sup>th</sup> February	Class 2 Roman Day
14-18 February	Years 5 and 6 residential East Barnby
Friday 18 February	Break up for half term normal time.
Monday 28 February	Training Day
Tuesday 1 March	Children back to school for Spring Term 2