



## Newsletter 9 February 2018 Spring term 5 Half termly value Humility

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### Next week in school:

## Fri 9 Feb 6pm Film night - Zootropolis and last day of half term.

Mon 19 Feb pupils return to school.

Mon 19 Feb 3.30 - 4.30pm Year 6 club

### Tues 20 Feb Forest schools restarts.

Tues 20 Feb 3.45 - 4.45pm Sports club at the field

Wed 21 Feb am EYFS to Slingsby for the morning.

Thur 22 Feb 3.35 - 4.30pm Multi skills club in the playground.

Fri 23 Feb pm Y3/4 Benchball at Ryedale. Please let us know if you can help with transport.

### Written by the children

**Year 1/2 multi skills** Seth said 'the activities were fun and I enjoyed the afternoon.'

**Infants Y1/2 football** Jack said 'the football was really fun because we got to tackle each other.'

**Staffing:** Miss Pearce will be leaving us on March 9<sup>th</sup>. We are all very sorry but wish her well for the future. I would like to thank her for everything she has done for the school during her time here. I know she will be greatly missed by everyone.

I would like to assure all parents that the Governors and I will ensure that we secure another excellent member of staff to replace her. An advert has gone out today and interviews will take place early March.

**Parent teacher consultations:** If you were unable to attend the parent teacher consultations this week please can you send in your signed consultation sheet and we will send home another copy for your records.

**Half termly certificates:** Well done to the following pupils for this half term.

Most improved reader:	Infants Oscar	Y3/4 Eve	Y5/6 Benjamin
Consistent outstanding effort over the term:	Infants Jack Featherstone	Y3/4 Connor	Y5/6 Laura
Good positive attitude toward work:	Infants Seth	Y3/4 Olivia Sempers	Y5/6 Archie
Most improved general mathematician	Infants Nathan	Y3/4 Simeon	Y5/6 Oliver
Most improved tables and arithmetic maths	Y3/4 Abi	Y5/6 Alice	

100% homework given in for half term - Nathan, Fern, Rufus, Jack Featherstone, Oscar, Seth, Connor, Abi, Eve, Olivia St, Simeon, Anja, Laura, Elisabeth, Alice, Ed and Archie

We look forward to seeing who will receive certificates at Easter.

**Homework:** Juniors - This week there is spelling homework but there will be no spelling test the week after half term, except for year 6. We would like all other pupils to really concentrate on learning their times tables and corresponding division facts up to 12 x 12. All juniors have maths, grammar and spelling homework. Infants will receive spellings and homework each week. Spellings will usually go out on Friday for a spelling test the following Friday. Homework will be sent out each Thursday to be returned the following Wednesday. As usual, if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to speak to Mrs Owrid or Miss Pearce.

**Parent pay** Unfortunately Mrs Hugill has been poorly and off school so please bear with us if parent pay isn't quite up to date. Paying for dinners shouldn't be a problem but we are aware that clubs and cooking etc may not be quite as it should be.

**Edinburgh** The total cost for Edinburgh will be £180. This needs to be paid before 23 March. The outstanding £150 can be paid in one go or in instalments. Please send cheques/money into school in an envelope with your child's name on it and clearly marked for Edinburgh.

**NHS UK head lice advice: We are asking that all parents check their child's hair on Sunday evenings and if necessary treat before they come to school on Monday.** How to spot head lice - they're very small whitish or grey-brown insects that range from the size of a pinhead to the size of a sesame seed. The only way to be sure is to find a live louse by combing their hair with a special fine tooth comb.

**How you get head lice** - they are spread by direct head to head contact. They climb from one person's hair to another's. **They can't fly, jump or swim and are very unlikely to be spread by objects, such as hats, combs and pillows.** They don't have a preference for dirty, clean, long or short hair and only affect people. Once detached from the hair they will usually die within twelve to twenty four hours.

**Treatment** - there are several products that can be applied to the scalp and hair to kill lice, including: Dimeticone 4% lotion spray or gel; mineral oil and Dimeticone spray or Isopropyl myristate and cyclomethicone solution.

There is no need to stay off school or wash clothing and laundry as it is unlikely to be useful.

**Please help us to make this a head lice free school.**

**Clubs:** Letter for clubs for after half term went out last week. Please ensure that you have returned the permission slip to school for any after school clubs your child is staying to.

Tuesday 3.45 - 4.45 Sports club at the field, unless wet weather. Money needs to be paid on Parent pay.

Thursday 3.35 - 4.30pm Multi skills in the playground.

Fridays 8.30am. Breakfast club Bring £1.

**Future dates for your diary**

Mon 26 Feb 7.30pm PTA meeting. Everyone welcome.

Mon 26 Feb 3.30pm Year 6 club

Fri 2 March Y5/6 High 5 netball. Please let us now if you can help with transport.

Sun 4 March PTA quiz night Appleton le moors. Hope to see you there. Donations of raffle prizes can be sent into school at any time.

**Cooking:** This term the children will be making Parsnip soup with cheese palmiers. They will need 1 carrot, 1 stick celery, 1 medium onion, 400 gms parsnips, 1 vegetable stock cube, sea salt, freshly ground black pepper for the soup and 150 gms puff pastry, 30 gms soft butter and 60 gms mature cheddar cheese for the cheese palmiers. **The infants will only be making the soup.** Or a donation of £2.50 paid through Parentpay. Seasoning, garlic, mustard and olive oil will be provided. **All pupils will need suitable containers for the soup and cheese palmiers to take home. Please return any containers and good plastic bags, which are borrowed, to school the next day. Many thanks.**

February 20 Fern, Rufus, Jessie 27 Jack F, Lucinda, Oscar

March 6 Nathan, Jack B, Seth **Wed 14 Year 6** 20 Eve, Connor, Daithi

To be rearranged Lewis, Becky, Abi, Benjamin. Laura, Anja, Oliver, Obie

**School times:** Children should arrive at school between 8.45 am and 8.55 am. Lessons start at 9.00 am. Please ensure your child is here on time. **School cannot be responsible for pupils dropped off before 8.45am, or 8.30am on a Friday for Breakfast club.** Should there be occasion when you need your child to be at school before 8.45 am please contact Mrs Twedde.

**Tour de Yorkshire virtual pack** Activities and competitions for children to complete before the event are available at <https://letour.yorkshire.com/information/education-pack>

**Parent Governors:** There is still one vacancy; if anyone is interested please contact School.

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