

Collective Worship Theme this half term = **RESPECT & REVERENCE**

5 February 2021

**Attendance this week is
In school; 21 (55%) pupils Online; 17 (45%)**

School News

Although the snowy meant another closure, it did look beautiful and we are sure many of you had some fun outside.

As our remote learning has been successfully running for some time and children in school had also been using the platform everyone was offered the chance to learn online for the day. The remote learning pupils said it was great seeing their friends who usually are in school. Should we need to close again for any reason this will be available for everyone so learning can still continue.

Much to everyone's discomfort, all staff are undertaking Lateral Flow Testing twice a week! Results are reported to the government and all have been negative to date.

Current national situation

With many places of employment closed and some parents not working you might find your finances are being stretched too far. There is help available so please do get in touch. One of these ways of helping is through free school meals which can be applied for even if only for a short period of time.

To qualify for free school meals you must fulfil **one** of the following criteria:

- Universal Credit, provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods (£616.67 per month);
- Income Support;
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance;
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance;
- Support under part six of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999;
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit;
- Child Tax Credit, provided you are also not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual household gross income that does not exceed £16,190 (as assessed by HMRC); or
- Working Tax Credit run-on, paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit.

Please note that contributions-based benefits, including contribution-related Jobseekers' Allowance do not entitle you to claim free school meals. Apply for free school meals If you meet the criteria, apply by using <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/free-school-meals>

Cinema Afternoon—12 February

We will be watching Charlie and the Chocolate Factory which is a PG. Please let school know if you do not want your child to watch.



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of E Primary



**Winning House
last week was
Oak**

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SPORT

Daily mile/walk
Skip2BFit

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

9 Feb. Online Safety Day

11 Feb. Women in Science
Day

12 Feb Cinema afternoon,
Charlie and the Chocolate
Factory

12 Feb. Break up

22 Feb. Return to School for
Key worker children

8 Mar Hopefully return to
school for all children

8 Mar. Assessment week
(postponed)

16 Mar. Infant and Junior Par-
ents' Evening

17 Mar Junior Parents' Even-
ing

23/24 Mar. Y5/6 Bikeability

26 Mar. Break up

*Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for the reason
for your hope; 1 Peter 3:15*

Home learning survey

Thank you to everyone who has completed this survey which is for parents of pupils currently learning at home. If you haven't yet done so here is the link again;

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1tdwDwqiVPnoe3RfG6eZX9Kuw_wfDePrVeqqa6VJcWbc/edit

Following the responses we have loaned out more laptops and are helping people with their internet access. We are also planning more opportunities for pupils to meet both those at home and those in school. The first of these was a whole school Celebration Worship today.



If you haven't collected your **free skipping rope** yet please pop in soon. Children in school are keeping theirs here and practising regularly. If you have a score to send in please email school. The first round of certificates were presented in Celebration Worship. This can be used for Children's University

Why Read at home?

Student	Reading Time	Words Read	Test Score Percentile
Student A	20 minutes per day 3,600 minutes per school year	1,800,000 words per year	90th Percentile
Student B	5 minutes per day 900 minutes per school year	282,000 words per year	50th Percentile
Student C	1 minute per day 180 minutes per school year	8,000 words per year	10th Percentile

If they start reading for 20 minutes per night in Kindergarten, by the end of 6th grade, Student A will have read for the equivalent of 60 school days, Student B will have read for 12 school days, and Student C will have read for 3.

WANT TO BE A BETTER READER? SIMPLY READ.

www.bettefetter.com

Staff Training

All staff completing Lateral Flow Testing twice a week.

Website consultation

Leadership Network Meeting NYCC

School Lunches

Week beginning 8 February is menu week 3



PTA News

We'd like to set up a Zoom meeting for all parents to join for an informal school-gate type catch up and support; could you let me know directly or through school your preferred day of the week. Once again if you would like any more information on what the PTA do or would like to get involved please drop school email or call and they will pass on your details to me.
Take care Best wishes, Katrina, PTA Chair

More ideas for home learning

<https://youngartists.royalacademy.org.uk/get-involved> - Prizes are awarded each year for two inspiring artworks from each key stage, as chosen by the President of the Royal Academy, and you can also vote for your favourite artwork in our annual People's Choice Award. Take a look at the [2020 prize winning artworks](#).

<https://library.thenational.academy/> - Every week a popular children's author or illustrator will provide you with free books, exclusive videos and their top three recommended reads. Author for this week: Sally Gardner.

https://www.michaelmorpurgo.com/morpurgomonth/?utm_campaign=12137052_Literacy%20Library%20Event%3A%20Micheal%20Morpurgo&utm_medium=email&utm_source=CLPE&dm_i=1RW5,7850C,2679CP,TANB0.1 - Celebrate Michael Morpurgo Month 2021! Come on an adventure with the nation's favourite storyteller and celebrate Michael Morpurgo Month this February! This year we have the Morpurgo Month Bookclub, which is aimed at older (9-12) children.

Children's University (KS2 pupils)

This is the perfect opportunity for children to complete activities for their university passports. The children know what to do but here is a link to FAQs; to help <https://vimeo.com/uohnyph/faqsjan201>

Young Artists' Summer Show



MISSING!

Oakley, Oak House's mascot has gone missing. He was last seen on the mascot shelf last Friday morning but has not been seen since. Missing posts have been placed on social media but we have had no reported sightings. Please keep your eyes peeled; perhaps the children could make us some Missing Posters?