Collective Worship Theme this half term = Honesty & Trust

Attendance this week is 91.09% (target is 96%)

10 Nov 2023

School News and Message from the Headteacher

Welcome back after the half-term break. I hope you have all managed to have some restful and relaxing family time together over the holiday. We haven't been slow in getting back into our learning this week, with a visit



from the English Heritage and Ryevilatise project for all of our Juniors on Tuesday. The children had the opportunity to learn more about our local area, design tiles and create their own from clay. A HUGE thank you to the lovely team who came and delivered this session for us.

On a more sombre note, the school visited the memorial in Gillamoor on Thursday to mark Remembrance. Our Owls class reflected on many of the different groups of people who might be affected by war, and produced some evocative work linked to his, whilst out Wrens explored the poppy as a symbol of peace. Thank you to everyone who joined us for this memorial service, and to Miss Pope for leading it.

Mrs Elsey

Children in Need

On Friday 17 November, we are supporting Children in Need. Pupils can come dressed in spots and should bring a minimum donation of ± 1.00 for this fabulous cause. We will be holding a special Archery

coaching session and competition in the afternoon which all children will be able to take part in as part of their donation as well.



Parentpay Parent Pay Debt – There is £1415.85 debt on Parent Pay today for lunches, swimming, transport and clubs. This is causing problems for our very tight budget. Accounts should always be in credit. Unfortunately, we have made the difficult decision, that any club with an outstanding amount, will mean your child/ren will no longer be able to attend. As soon as there is any money outstanding, the amount is taken from our school budget, which means this money cannot be used for your children. Please check your accounts and pay any outstanding debt. Thank you so much to everyone for putting credit on

your accounts and paying in advance. If you are unable to make payments in advance for any reason, please let us know. **School cannot afford to subsidise parents**





First the blade, then the ear, then the full grain.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

13 Nov—Friends of Gillamoor School AGM 7pm

15 Nov-Stay and Play 1.15pm-2.45pm

17 Nov-Children in Need

17 Nov-Scholastic order deadline

17 Nov-PE session with Mr Jackson

21 Nov-FOGs AGM

24 Nov-Y5/6 Boys Football, Ryedale

26 Nov-Wreath making

1 Dec—Bags2School

5 Dec—Stay and Play 1.15pm-2.45pm

6 Dec-Stall on Kirkbymoorside market

12 Dec-FGB meeting

- 12 Dec-Wren Nativity 2.00 pm
- 13 Dec-Wren Nativity, 5.30 pm
- 15 Dec-After School Clubs finish



It's film night tonight! We are showing Cloudy with a chance of meatballs! Doors open at 6.15pm movie starts at 6.30pm. £3 per child for popcorn, a drink and sweets. Don't forget you can come in your comfy pj's and get cosy while watching it.

On Monday 13th at 7pm we are holding our AGM followed by our normal meeting just after. We are on the look out for new committee members, helper and special helpers. If you think you can help out in anyway please do join us. The meeting will be held in the Snug at the Royal Oak, Gillamoor. Look forward to hopefully seeing old and new faces.

. School Clubs



Sport Club on a Wednesday finishes at 4.30 pm and is held on the school playground. All after school clubs finish on Friday 15 December.

Reception places for 2024

We are holding some stay and play sessions for anyone who is considering applying for a place for their child for September 2024 entry to Reception.

Wednesday 15 November 1.15 pm—2.45 pm Tuesday 5 December 1.15 pm—2.45 pm

Please call to book a place and pass on to friends who may be interested.

Applying for a Reception Place from September 2024

If your child is due to start school in September 2024, you will need to apply for a school place on line.

I www.northyorks.gov.uk/school-admissions

15 January is the deadline for applying. 16 April is National Offer Day

Scholastic Book Club

We have created a school account for the Scholastic Book Club—they have a fabulous range of new books, as well as some classics. All books are delivered to the school and we have timed our order window to arrive in plenty of time for Christmas Presents.



School receives money from every purchase which we can put towards our own school-book purchases. **Closing date 17 November**

Staff Training/meetings



Starting Primary School



School Lunches

Week beginning

13 November is Week 1 of our

menu.





Online Safety is a serious subject and as teachers, we are keen to help parents understand ways they can act to keep their children safe online. Each week, I will share a link to materials from the National Online Safety organisation. This week's topic is about setting parental controls. There is an Andoird and an iPhone version of this, so please continue to the next page to see both.



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