



Collective Worship Theme this half term = Loving and Caring

Attendance this week is: **Explorers: 87.86%**
Adventurers: 93.33% Navigators: 97.78% (Overall:
Target is 96%)

1 Mar 2023

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

Gillamoor C of E Primary
School



School News and Message from the Headteacher

We have had a lovely week in school this week, launching our next unit in the Learning Means the World curriculum. We are now all focusing on the concept of Conservation, with a range of topics from light and dark, rainforests and pollution being covered across the school.

Our Navigators visited Ryedale School this week, to enjoy a performance of The Snow Queen. It is great for the children to have these experiences, especially towards the end of their time with us in Primary School, as they prepare for their next steps. Thank you to the parent-drivers who made this, and so many of our other trips, possible.

On Sunday, I attended the Church Service in Kirkbymoorside to welcome Rev. Paul to our community. He is eager to work with our Church School and has already attended the Friends of Gillamoor School meeting, which was held earlier this week. We look forward to his first visit to school next week .

Mrs Elsey

Conservation Unit Celebration of Learning

Following the success of our Exhibition of Learning, we have decided the theme for our next end-of unit showcase, which will be class assemblies. These will take place on Monday 22nd April as follows:

2:30pm—Navigators

2:50pm—Explorers

3:10pm—Adventurers

Tea/coffee will be offered from 2:30p; please pop into the library for a drink before or after your child's assembly performance.. Grandparents and other relatives welcome too.

Child Centered Consultations

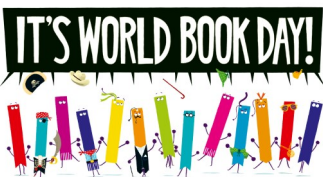
We are holding our Child Centered Consultations on the 12 and 13 March. Please can pupils also attend the Consultation with their parents, as we look to include children within the discussions about their strengths and next steps at their level.

We still have a couple of slots available, if you have missed booking your meeting. Please contact school to arrange this. We do find these meetings to be a valuable part of your child's learning journey.

*Don't forget
Parents'
Evening!*

World Book Day

Due to swimming and PE, we are holding World Book Day on **Friday 8 March**. Pupils can come to school dressed as their favorite book character. We will be holding a number of different book-related activities during the day.



This week's winning House is:

OAK

Last week's winning House was

ASH

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

8 Mar—World Book Day

8 Mar-KS2 girls football, Ryedale

12 Mar-Child Centred Consultations

13 Mar-Child Centred Consultations

13 Mar—Science Week special session

13 Mar-Non-uniform, chocolate donation

15 Mar-Y3/4 Netball, Ryedale

22 Mar-Y5/6 Netball, Ryedale

22 Mar Break up

9 April-Pupils return to school

**PLEASE BE REMINDED
THAT WE ARE A NUT
AWARE SCHOOL. WE
KINDLY REQUEST NO
NUTS OR NUT DERIVA-
TIVES ARE BROUGHT INTO
SCHOOL IN PACKED
LUNCHES OR AS SNACKS. .**



1st March - Film Night - Last one this school year - Doors will open at 6.15pm and start at 6.30pm prompt. £3.00 per child for popcorn, drink and snack.

15th March - Easter Bingo - Fadmoor Village Hall - Doors open 6pm eyes down for 6.30pm - There will be a non-uniform day on 13th March for which we would like Children to bring along a Easter Chocolate Item for wearing non-uniform.

We have the Kirkby 10k on Sunday 5th May. We are still looking for volunteers to help us on the day with the water stand at school and down in Kirkbymoorside at the finish line. Without the help we won't be able to offer the support that we have done in previous years. This race help provide funding for both ourselves and Kirkbymoorside School. Even if you can only give a little bit of time it all helps.



Healthy Snacks:

As a school, we promote healthy food and snacks. Children are more than welcome to bring a snack for break time; however this needs to be something healthy and **not crisps, sweets or chocolate bars**. In addition, children in Explorers receive a daily fruit snack.

Unhealthy snacks will be sent home. Thank you for your support.



Parking

Please can parents/carers park considerately and not double park and take care to leave the spaces for our taxis as marked. There is an increased congestion which is causing some issues and makes crossing dangerous for pupils.

Explorers' Request

Explorer class are on a mission to collect tin cans ready for a solar project in the last week of this term. If you use any standard size tins (beans/soup size) please could you help us out by cleaning them and sending them into school in a plastic bag. We are aiming to collect around 25 cans in total over the next 2 weeks.



Easter FEAST Vouchers

FEAST is back this Easter, offering children and young people across North Yorkshire a fantastic range of holiday activities, with free places and a free meal for those in receipt of benefits-related Free School Meal and those who are eligible by exception. Leaflets have been sent home.

PE Kit

All KS2 pupils have PE every Monday and Thursday. Please can you ensure their PE kit is in school to ensure they can participate safely in PE. Several pupils once again did not have a PE kit on Monday and Thursday.



Staff Training/meetings

Health and Safety Inspection
SEND Ofsted preparedness training

School Lunches

Week beginning 4 Mar is Week One 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 advice on sharing photos online.

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about SHARING PHOTOS ONLINE

School is often a time chock-full of milestones for your child, and you may well be eager to share their accomplishments with the world. In today's digital age, sharing images of such precious moments on social media is commonplace, and – while that's a lovely thing to do – it does come with some risks attached. Our guide can help parents and carers to consider the potential dangers and make informed choices about safely sharing photos of their children online.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

INVASIONS OF PRIVACY

Even with the right settings in place, absolutely nothing online is 100% private. Anyone who can view your photos could take screenshots and potentially share them elsewhere. Privacy settings are still important, though, so it's always wise to ensure your social media accounts have them set up; just bear in mind that you can't completely control what happens to anything once it's gone online.

REVEALING PERSONAL DETAILS

Small details in photos can often reveal personal information. Backgrounds can give clues to where you live, for example, while school logos on uniforms, sports kits, or bags could help someone identify which school your child attends. With interactive maps and reverse image searches commonplace online, information like this could easily be misused by an individual with malicious intentions.

MISUSE OF IMAGES

Once something's been shared online, it's almost impossible to get it deleted. Photos can show up in search engine results and be downloaded, manipulated, and shared without consent. There's the potential for someone's images to be used for advertising purposes (which in many cases, isn't illegal) or even more inappropriate reasons, such as cyber-bullying or serious forms of exploitation.

ONLINE GROOMING

Pictures that convey details about your child's interests, activities, or daily routines could arm an online predator with the kind of information they can deploy to gain a child's trust. They might use this knowledge to pretend to be the same age as the child or to have a shared hobby. Essentially, the more a predator knows about a young person, the easier it is for them to invent some 'common ground'.

PRESSURE TO PLEASE

When their parents or carers share notable moments and accomplishments in a child's life on social media, some children may begin to feel an expectation to always meet certain standards, to achieve things, or to behave in ways that are 'worth sharing'. Knowing that other people (even friends and family) can see these posts on social media might also add to the pressure they're feeling internally.

IMPACT ON DIGITAL FOOTPRINT

Every photo of a child posted online contributes to their digital footprint. Young people's lives have never been so closely and publicly documented as they are now, and this permanent online presence could affect a child's future opportunities or the choices they make as they grow up – in addition to influencing how they see themselves and, consequently, their emotional wellbeing.

Advice for Parents & Carers

REVIEW SETTINGS REGULARLY

Make sure your social media's secure in terms of who can view your content or see your location (only family and trusted friends, for example). Privacy settings aren't totally foolproof, but they do make it tougher for strangers to access your pics. Reviewing your settings regularly is also a good starting point for conversations with your child about managing their own social accounts when they're older.

CHECK YOUR PHOTOS

Photos of your child shouldn't provide any clues to where they live or go to school: even a house number, street name, or car number plate could be a giveaway. Cover up or blur out school logos, too. If you really want to share a particular pic, you could post a watermarked or low-res version, which can help to discourage misuse as those images are less appealing to download or reproduce.

CONSIDER OTHER CHILDREN

When taking a group photo, make sure you get parents' or carers' permission to share it on social media. There may be an important safeguarding reason for them not wanting their child's photo posted publicly online, or it might simply not tally with their personal beliefs or cultural background. A quick conversation in advance, just to make sure, is usually hugely appreciated.

THINK AHEAD

Try to consider the longer-term implications of what you post. Would you be happy with that photo being online in 10 years' time? Would your child still be OK with the image when they're older? Once your child is mature enough, you could ask for their consent before posting: it respects their privacy, fosters trust and understanding, and helps them to start thinking about their own online life.

Meet Our Expert

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#WakeUpWednesday