

Collective Worship Theme this half term = FRIENDSHIP

Attendance this week is 92.76%

School News

Have an enjoyable Easter break when hopefully the spring weather will continue. We look forward to seeing everyone on Tuesday 13 April.

Parents' Evening

Thank you to all the parents we spoke to or zoomed on Wednesday and Thursday. We had productive and informative evenings we hope you did too. Thank you also for the lovely and appreciative comments we received.

Return to school feedback

We undertook a Pupil Voice activity and are really pleased with the responses from the children with 100% of those asked, reporting that they are really pleased to be back in school.

As staff we have noticed that their enthusiasm is amazing and we are so proud of their resilience and ability to adapt to changes.

Some things you can help support at home through discussions or practice;

- **Independence:** encourage them to dress themselves; find things to do themselves; prepare simple meals; get their own clothes and bags ready for going out.
- **Compromise** when playing with others; we can't all have things our own way all the time.
- **Listening skills:** practise getting children to stop, listen and follow instructions of increasing number and complexity.

Bikeability and Pedestrian Training

Bikeability sessions took place for Y5 and they all had a super time. Unfortunately, the tutor's car broke down so the Y6 session has had to be postponed much to the children's disappointment but they showed great resilience and understanding. A new date has been booked for Wednesday 14th April.

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Gillamoore C
of E Primary



Winning House
last week was
Oak

Winning House
this week Ash

SPORT

Daily mile/walk
Skip2BFit

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 26 Mar. Break up
- 12 April Training day
- 13 April Pupils return to school
- 14 April Y6 Bikeability
- 19 April Swimming restarts
- 19 April After School Clubs restart
- 3 May May Day Bank Holiday

I get by with a little help from my friends.

The Beatles.

Activities to do at home over Easter



Please try to keep your children reading over the Easter break. Research shows that reading with children is the single biggest predictor of academic achievement for children. And it's FUN and it's CHEAP and it's EASY.

Keep Skipping over Easter!!



And practising TT Rockstars.

FAIRY DOORS



As part of our Woodland Trust Silver Award the children have listened to and read Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's Dream. They then went on to make fairy doors which they placed around the village.

EASTER CHOCOLATE

The KS2 pupils had a fantastic time making Easter eggs and designing and making boxes for them. They had a virtual visit from Nestle

research and development and tasted a range of flavours to finish off what has been a very popular topic. The Rec/ KS1 pupils also made chocolate bars. A thoroughly messy but exciting and educational time! We hope you all enjoy sampling them!



Staff Training

All staff completing Lateral Flow Testing twice a week.

School Lunches

Week beginning 12 April is week 1 menu

Fabulous summer menu attached.



PTA News Our next meeting is 24th May 7.30pm - new members welcome
Best wishes Kat - PTA Chair

Winners of the Easter egg hampers—Vicky Moss, Sammie Phoenix, Helen Hodgson and Abi Jones. Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets.

RED NOSE WOW! DAY A fantastic £99.91 was raised. Thank you!

Easter and Holy Week

During our Collective Worship we have been using the York Diocese resource, Exploring Easter. The children have really enjoyed watching the videos of the Easter story and discussing the Big Questions set by Dynamic Dan. If you would like to share there at home they are available here;

<https://dioceseofyork.org.uk/schools-and-youth/children-of-light-festival/exploring-easter-resources/>

CRICKET

We have managed to purchase some tickets for the Yorkshire Lancashire cricket Blast at Headingley on Friday 2 July, starting at 6.30 pm. We are intending to hire a minibus to take us which we will need to charge parents for. Tickets will be on a first come basis and available after Easter.



Plans for the Summer Term

With restrictions beginning to be relaxed we will be able to start back with some of our usual activities and events after the holidays.

1. Swimming - from Monday 19th April for everyone
2. PE with Mr Mulholland - will be on THURSDAYS from 15th April
3. After school clubs will recommence from 19th April; watch out for some new ones!
4. School Play - will be in July
5. Sports Day will be in July
6. Leavers' Service will be in July
7. Juniors' residential to Bewerley Park - we are investigating if this can go ahead and if not alternatives are being considered; they will not miss out.