



Weekly Newsletter

Week ending 14/07/2023

‘Top Doodlers of the Week!’

A special mention for our highest scoring ‘Doodle Maths’ superstars in each class:

Reception – Nikara

Year 1 – Arthur

Year 2 – Faolan

Year 3 – Kelly

Year 4 – Sophie

Year 5 – Neave

Year 6 – Jack H

Doodle Class of the week: YEAR 5

REMINDER - There is still time for your pupils to join one or both of our jungle-themed Summer Challenges – the DoodleMaths Challenge and the DoodleEnglish Challenge! Both Challenges are designed to promote healthy learning habits and top up your pupils' knowledge, helping them get ready for the new school year. In addition, as a reward for their hard work, they will receive an animal-themed pin badge and certificate in the post for each Challenge they complete! Good luck and HAPPY DOODLING!

A message from the Headteacher;

Let's start this week with a few special reasons to celebrate;

Last week saw Mrs Wilson take out our intrepid netballers, on a trip to Brayton for a friendly inter-school match. Not only did they play incredibly well but we also received a lovely follow up message from the Brayton staff; *'What a great success! Your netballers are a credit to your school - they were so friendly and courteous to our children.'* So well done team !

Last week of course we also ventured to Filey, for our annual whole school trip to the seaside. All of the children behaved impeccably well and we couldn't have asked any more from them. A lovely day on the sand !

Again last week, our Year 6 pupils trod the boards in their superb 'I'm an 11 year old, get me out of here!' production. Fantastic acting and some of the best singing I've ever heard a class produce. Thank you to all the friends and family that came along to join us.

Finally, staying with our friends in Year 6, this week saw the publication of the official Key Stage 2 SATs results. We are incredibly proud of just how well every single one of our pupils did. The scores they received are true testament to the hard work they have put in, not just this year but also every year prior. Looking at their results as a whole class, we are pleased to say they have achieved higher than the national average in all areas, with many of them achieving a 'greater depth' mark in one or more subjects. The Governors and myself would like to extend our thanks to every teacher and member of staff that has had a hand in preparing the class for Year 6 and of course Miss Rose and Mrs Hartshorne for that big 'final push' this year. A super class, well poised for the big move to high school come September !

As we approach our final week we would like to invite all friends and family to join us on Wednesday the 19th, for our annual Sports Day out on the field. Fun begins at 1.30pm, pupils should attend that day in suitable clothing and should be aware of their team colour, to wear up top. Please don't panic if they do not have an appropriately coloured tshirt etc to wear, we do have ample spares in school.

Then we would like to invite our Year 6 family and friends into school on Friday the 21st, at 2.45pm, as we bid a final goodbye to our eldest pupils.

Have a super weekend !

Reception/Year 1 Class News;

Reception and Year 1 have had a busy week! Everyone enjoyed transition day on Tuesday! Our Year 1s have been so confident coming in through the new gate! They can revert back to our normal gate for our final week now! Over the rest of the week, we have been writing mini recounts and drawing pictures of the seaside trip, using our seaside portrait pictures! In the outdoor area, we have been practising our throwing, catching and aiming skills.

In Phonics, Reception have learnt the new sounds /or/ shut the door and /ar/ start the car. Year 1 have looked at words with /tious/ and /cious/ as in scrumptious and delicious! We have also started to look at simple coding skills using 'Scratch Junior'. You can download this app for free at home!

We will be collecting on home reading and library books for sorting next week, so please make sure they are all in your book bags! I will send home a link soon for some home reading over the holidays! Daily Doodlemaths at home has really dropped off in our class over the last month, so please keep up your daily doodling and remember to register for the summer challenge (the badge award is lovely!) Have a lovely weekend!

Year 2/3 Class News;

Despite the children's cries of the summer holiday being around the corner, our penultimate week of term has been very busy and packed with learning! Monday began with some new English work on Instruction writing, where we have looked at the features of the text including a resources list, method and imperative (bossy) verbs. On Wednesday we watched a puppet making video and wrote instructions to match and yesterday we made mini lego models and wrote instructions for younger children to follow. Earlier in the week we set quiz questions for each other in Maths based on all our topics covered in the year – the only catch was that we had to work out our own answers too! We have continued revisiting and revising some prior learning with Maths summer themed booklets, meaning the children can work at their own pace and ask for individual support if needed.

Tuesday was our very enjoyable transition day; we met the lovely Year 1 group and our current Year 2 loved the chance to sit at the bigger Year 3 tables – they didn't want to move back at 3.15pm! We completed our time capsule booklets, drew self-portraits, went on a paired scavenger hunt and played 'getting to know you' games. The Year 3 also enjoyed their day with Mrs Capewell, who gave great feedback on their behaviour and enthusiasm.

In the wider curriculum, we have almost completed our Science topic on animal including humans, learning about endoskeletons and exoskeletons, as well as how some muscles work in pairs like our biceps and triceps. Skelly, our 26th class member, even got a pair of elastic muscles attached to his arm so he's feeling rather more buff than usual!

Our RE learning has been about another sacred text, this time the Qu'ran from the Islamic religion. The children learned how special it is to Muslims and what it teaches them.

With next week being the last of term, please can **all** reading books be returned by **Thursday** at the latest. They will not be changed on Friday as usual but please do keep reading over the holidays!

Wishing you a wonderful weekend before the countdown begins,

Mrs Pears and Miss Waddington

Home Learning;

Doodle Maths as usual please!

No Doodle Spell

Reading books returned by Thursday

Year 4/5 Class News;

In English this week we have enjoyed more of our Michael Morpurgo book: "Kaspar, Prince of Cats". We have written in character and have researched the Titanic ready to write our newspaper reports next week. Later in the week we practised our inference and deduction skills through studying the song lyrics of 'The Circle of Life' from The Lion King!

In Maths we have continued to translate shapes but this week have worked on the co-ordinates after translation. We have also worked on converting measures including: grams, kilograms, metres and kilometres. Later in the week we have learned how to reflect shapes across a line of symmetry, including horizontal and diagonal mirror lines.

In Science we have investigated which solids are soluble and insoluble and what makes a difference to the rate at which solids dissolve.

We had a very interesting geography lesson on Thursday afternoon discussing the uses of water, both direct and virtual. We found out that only 1% of water on our Earth is available to drink, as the majority is salt water or locked up in glaciers, icebergs or deep underground! We discussed how making a pair of jeans or making a burger requires lots of water 'virtually' rather than directly.

On Friday we had good fun pulling together everything we have learned in our Water topic and created quiz questions to test the rest of the class using a website called 'Blooket'.

Homework:

Due to our last week being very busy, Doodle Maths and reading journals will have their final check on **Thursday** next week, and Doodle Spell **Wednesday** as normal. Please encourage your child to stay in the yellow for Doodle Maths (green even better!) and bring their journals in on Thursday. They will be reminded in school also.

In preparation for a good sort out of the classroom next week, could you also ask your child to check at home for any rogue reading books that belong to school, and return these.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Townend and Mrs Capewell

Year 6 Class News;

This week has been very strange as we have all been on transition. Some of us had a one day transition and the others had a full week transition. We have been writing our leavers speeches ready for next week and sharing our memories from our school years. In swimming we practiced butterfly and did some underwater races. Next week is a busy week for Y6. Here is a timetable for our final week:

Monday – puberty and sex ed

Tuesday - Y6 Leavers celebration evening in school @ 4:30-6:00pm – all Y6 pupils invited.

Wednesday – Staff vs pupil rounders match! Y6 school dinner (hot dogs) please order on the day. SPORTS DAY @1:30pm.

Thursday – Swimming in the am followed by a visit to York College – NYC Police 'Crucial Crew' event - 12:15 - 15:30

Friday - Y6 Leavers Assembly- 2:45pm - Y6 families welcome !

See you all next week! OUR FINAL WEEK OF PRIMARY SCHOOL! From Harry, Malci, George, Tifa, Jack H, Cara, Fay, Lillie and Molly.

Y6 Homework: Please continue to have a think about what you would like to include in your leavers speech, particularly those who have been away on transition this week. Please check at home for any school reading books that belong to school, and return these next week. Thank you

Dates for the Diary -

- **Tues 18/7/23** – Y6 Leavers celebration evening in school @ 4:30-6:00pm – all Y6 pupils invited.
- **Wed 19/7/23** – Sports Day – 1.30pm / 3.30pm
- **Thu 20/07/23** - Y6 visit to York College – NYC Police 'Crucial Crew' event - 12:00 - 15:30
- **Fri 21/7/23 – PM** - Y6 Leavers Assembly- 2:45pm - Y6 families welcome !

Mon 24/07/2023 to Tue 25/07/2023 Staff Training Day
Wed 26/07/2023 to Sun 03/09/2023 Summer Holiday