



Weekly Newsletter

Week ending 09/06/2023

‘Top Doodlers of the Week!’

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

Reception – Nikara

Year 1 – Luca

Year 2 – Faolan

Year 3 – Kelly

Year 4 – Max

Year 5 – Neave

Year 6 – Jack P

Doodle Class of the week: YEAR 4 and 5

A message from the Headteacher;

Welcome back to the final half term of the academic year !

Things are off to a flying start, with the wild rumpus of Where the Wild Things Are being the focus in Reception / Year 1, Year 2 and 3 diving into the world of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, Year 4 and 5 studying ‘street art’ and Year 6 preparing for their surely spectacular end of year show.

With just six weeks left of the year things do tend to get a little hectic, so please check out the key dates below and keep an eye on emails for updates. Our whole school trip to the seaside is up on Parentpay and we would ask you give consent and payment as soon as possible.

With the promise of good weather ahead next week please can we just remind you of the following –

- ‘Summer uniforms’ would be advised – shorts or summer dresses.
- Please make sure we always have a drinks container filled with water only. Pupils are able to refill these containers as required.
- Please consider whether your child(ren) will need to wear an all-day SPF sun protection product – this should be applied before coming to school. We ask that pupils do not bring such products to school due to the risk this poses to some of our pupils with allergies, risk of ingestion with younger pupils, general issues caused etc.
- Pupils may wish to bring a baseball cap, or similar, and sunglasses to school to wear during break and lunchtime when outside.
- PE activities will continue as normal, although activities may be amended if the hot weather persists - all pupils should have their full PE kit in school as normal.
- Please be mindful of how changeable the weather can be ! Whilst we come prepared for sunshine, please still bring sweaters and coats.

Just a reminder that our PTA continue to collect ‘party bag toys’, in preparation for the summer fair. These can be dropped in at the office.

Have a super weekend !

Reception/Year 1 Class News;

"Oh we do like to be beside the seaside" We jumped on a train in our classroom on Monday and took a scenic coastal journey to the seaside! The children have been enjoying imaginative play with seaside small world, building sandcastles and packing picnics! We wrote about our own memories of being at the seaside and what we enjoy about it! In Art, we have been studying Seagulls, producing some observational sketches in our sketch books, using drawing pencils. We had a visit from preschool on Wednesday, and we enjoyed sharing our outdoor area and playing with them! We have continued to practise Maypole dancing, and are getting very good at skipping in a circle, keeping our ribbons tight! We are enjoying singing our animal song with Mrs Moulds and PE on a Friday with Dan!

In phonics, Reception have learnt the new trigraph /igh/ fly high and Year 1 have been recapping on all the sounds learnt so far, preparing for our Year 1 phonics screen next week. In Maths, Reception have been using our rekenreks to practise subitising and exploring the composition of numbers. Year 1 have begun a unit on fractions, looking at making a half, making a whole and finding half of a quantity.

I sent out an email earlier in the week with some dates for our Reception/ Year 1 calendar- so please make sure that you've read this as it outlines some exciting events taking place later on in this final half term.

Home learning this week:

- Read your school reading book at least three times this week and record in your journal.
- Stay in the yellow on DoodleMaths, but reach for Green!
- Year 1 have a quick DoodleSpell assignment looking at split digraphs as a final recap before the phonics screen next week.

Have a lovely weekend!

Year 2/3 Class News;

What a lovely first week back after half term, both with the good weather and the fun activities we've enjoyed! The children are still fully engaged in Charlie and the Chocolate Factory (a handful have enjoyed reading it at home during their week off, such a joy to hear!) and this week we've read about the Oompa-Loompas. They've inspired us to create our own Loompaland story so we're in the process of imagining the setting, inventing interesting events and learning what makes a good ending. Our Maths this week has been all about telling the time. We've focused on analogue clocks, ensuring we know the role of the different hands and how to read the time to the hour, half hour, quarter hour and (for some of the class) to the 5 minutes. Now when hungry children ask 'When is it lunch?', we can tell them to check the clock themselves! Please do practise as much as you can to reinforce this skill at home.

In other areas of the curriculum we have continued our Health and Wellbeing topic in Learning for Life. We learned about dental hygiene and how to keep our teeth healthy. I think the children found it funny when I stuck my rubber-gloved hand into peanut butter and jam, then proceeded to brush the fingers with toothpaste in the middle of the classroom! Hopefully the idea of removing food and plaque, as well as brushing the front and back of our teeth came across too... Science was all about a healthy balanced diet, and the role of various food groups in keeping humans healthy. In addition, our learning about lifecycles was enhanced this week by our 5 beautiful butterflies emerging from their chrysalides! Many of the class were lucky enough to see these moments happen and we all feel quite attached to Crystal, Emerald, Honey, Fire and Spiderman (anyone in need of baby name inspiration, Y2/3 will be on hand to help!) Today we will release them and hope they go on to enjoy the lovely weather and find their nectar nearby.

Enjoy your weekend,

Mrs Pears and Miss Waddington

Home learning:

Doodle Maths – stay in the yellow, reach for the green by next **Friday**

Doodle Spell – complete the Extra assignment by next **Friday**

Home-school journal – record reading three times (strive for five) with an adult's signature by **Friday**.

Year 4/5 Class News;

This week in English we have started our new topic on discussion texts by exploring the question: Is graffiti art or vandalism? We have researched the history of graffiti and recorded our own views on positives and negatives. The children enjoyed creating their own tags in art. In particular, we have explored the work of Banksy and recorded our views on their work. We have identified and learned new vocabulary associated with the topic. We have also practised spelling a range of common exception words and spelling words with silent letters such as 'doubt' and 'debris'.

In Maths we have been doing lots of practise on our multiplication tables. We have also been rounding decimals to the nearest whole number and tenth as well as adding and subtracting decimals with a different number of decimal places. Year 4 have continued to practise their times tables in preparation for the assessment next week. They have also learned about different types of triangles including equilateral, isosceles and scalene triangles. Year 5 have learned how to use a protractor accurately to measure angles.

This week in Science we planned and set up an evaporation investigation to see what difference temperature made on the rate of water evaporation. Next week we will analyse our results.

The children have also researched about Hindu Gods this week, discussed the helpful and harmful effects of drugs around the home and have developed their batting and bowling skills in cricket.

In Art this week we planned our 'Great Wave' piece, selecting media and tools to create the wave. We cut out the layers we needed and used our selected tools to recreate the famous Hokusai piece.

We will be carrying out the Multiplication Times Tables Check with all year 4 pupils over the next couple of weeks, please encourage your child to use doodle tables at home to improve their rapid recall.

Homework:

Doodle Maths – stay in the yellow, reach for the green by next **Friday**

Doodle Spell – complete the Extra assignment by next **Wednesday**

Home-school journal – record reading at least three times with an adult's signature by **Friday**.

Have a lovely weekend,
Mrs Townend and Mrs Capewell

Year 6 Class News;

On Monday we did some maypole dancing with the receptions and year 1s. We plaited the ribbons around the pole. Across this week we have been practicing our play. We have been getting prepared for the big night and the stage and backdrop are up. On Wednesday we started our new book. It is called Cool written by Michael Morpurgo. It is about a boy called Robbie who is very close to his dog Lucky and they both end up in a car accident. On Thursday we went on our first class swimming lesson. We practiced and learned to do backstroke. Our favourite part was at the end when we had to shout an English city and jump in. Today we are doing death in R.E and playing rounders. Hope you have a great weekend.

Chloe and Cara ☺

Y6 Homework:

Doodle Maths – stay in the yellow, reach for the green by next **Friday**

Doodle English – stay in the yellow, reach for the green by next **Friday**

Doodle Spell –complete your extra by next **Friday**

Reading – read 3 x weekly and record it in your home-school journal (checked Friday).

Production – please rehearse your lines. You are aiming to know your lines by **12.6.23** for dress rehearsals.

Dates for the Diary -

- **Mon 12/06/23 to Fri 16/06/2023** – Year 1 Phonics screening check week
- **Tue 20/06/23** - Lunchtime Menu Taster Session – NYCC Catering will bring among their 'Tasting Station' so our packed lunch children can sample our delicious hot lunches. (please see posters attached)
- **Fri 23/6/23** – Rec / Y1 Open Assembly – Rec/Y1 families welcome !
- **Fri 30/06/23** - Non-uniform day - in return for a 'bottle'.
- **Wed 05/07/23** - Year 6 Leavers Performance – Y6 families welcome !
- **Thur 6/7/23** – Whole school trip – Filey – Pupils will return to school for 5pm.

- **Fri 7/7/23** – Sports Day – 1.30pm / 3.30pm
 - Summer Fair – 3.30pm / 6.00pm
- **Wed 19/7/23** – Y6 Leavers celebration evening in school – all Y6 pupils invited.
- **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- 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